



2020 U.S. Youth Sailing Championship



June 20 - 24, 2020

Organizing Authority: US Sailing
Hosted by Pensacola Yacht Club
Pensacola, Florida



NOTICE OF RACE
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1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2. The following documents shall apply:
 - 1.2.1. US Sailing Regulation 10. An alleged breach of US Sailing Regulation 10 shall not be grounds for a protest by another boat; this changes rules 60.1(a). However, when a protest committee believes that a competitor may have breached Regulation 10.03, it shall follow the process described in the [Championships' Code of Conduct](#).
 - 1.2.2. The [Conditions for the Youth Championship](#) and the [US Sailing Conditions for Championships](#).
 - 1.2.3. The [US Sailing Championship Support Vessel Policy](#). This will be a Grade 1 Coaching event.
 - 1.2.4. US Sailing Regulation 12.03, Protected Competitions shall apply for the following classes: 29er, i420, Nacra 15, Radial, ~~Techno 293 Plus~~.
- 1.3. Appendix B – Windsurfing Competition Rules shall apply for the Windsurfing Events, except as changed by the Sailing Instructions or this Notice of Race.
- 1.4. Appendix P – Special Procedures for RRS 42 shall apply for the 29er, i420, Laser, Nacra 15 and Radial classes.
- 1.5. The notation “[DP]” in a rule in the NoR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.
- 1.6. RRS 40 is changed so that each competitor shall wear a USCG approved life jacket, in good condition, that is 100% dependent on foam for flotation and the appropriate size for the sailor, at all times while on the water, except for brief periods while adding or removing clothing. (US Sailing Regulation 10) A violation of this instruction may be protested by race officials or a competitor; however an inadvertent and momentary breach of this instruction may receive a penalty less than disqualification at the discretion of the protest committee. This changes rule 64.1. [DP]
- 1.7. RRS 60.1(a) is changed to add: prohibit a boat from protesting another boat for an alleged breach of any class rule other than class equipment measurement rules.
- 1.8. RRS 77 is changed so that a boat is not required to display national letters.

2. ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority as outlined in World Sailing Regulation 20. [DP]

3. EVENTS

3.1. The regatta shall include the following events utilizing the following class compliant equipment:

<u>Event</u>	<u>Class</u>
Doublehanded Dinghy	International 420
Doublehanded Skiff	29er
Multihull	Nacra 15
Singlehanded Dinghy - Light	Laser Radial
Singlehanded Dinghy	Laser
Windsurfing - Light	Techno 293
Windsurfing	Techno 293 Plus

3.2 All events are open to male and female competitors. Doublehanded events may be sailed with mixed teams.

4. ELIGIBILITY

- 4.1. Competitors (skippers and crews) shall not reach their 20th birthday in the 2020 calendar year.
- 4.2. Competitors must be individual or family members, all in good standing, of US Sailing at the time of: application, registration and of the event and not otherwise ineligible to complete under the laws, regulations, policies and rules of USOC or its affiliated organizations.
- 4.3. Competitors must be US Citizens or eligible permanent residents with written authorization from World Sailing for an exemption under World Sailing Regulation 24.5.4, unless the Organizing Authority grants an exception to this requirement based upon a written request to do so. Requests will not be considered for permanent residents who have resided for less than five (5) contiguous years in the United States. Requests should be emailed to the US Sailing Youth Director at Championships@ussailing.org by April 15.
- 4.4. Competitors seeking to be selected for the 2020 US Sailing Youth Worlds Team must also comply with the eligibility criteria specified in the athlete selection procedures and requirements document which can be found here:
<https://www.ussailing.org/olympics/selection/youth-worlds-team/>

5. SELECTION AND ENTRY

- 5.1. Up to 200 competitors will be selected for entry. Competitors may attain selection to the event by one of two methods: Early Acceptance or Resume Application. Up to 109 spots will be allocated to Early Acceptance competitors, with the remainder of spots allocated to competitors applying via Resume Application method.
- 5.2. Selection and Entry via Early Acceptance:
 - 5.2.1. Early Acceptance regatta selection information is available on the Youth Championship webpage: <https://www.ussailing.org/competition/youth-sailing/youth-championships/2020-early-acceptance-events/>
 - 5.2.2. Prospective competitors who have been selected by Early Acceptance and are eligible to compete will be contacted by US Sailing directly by March 1 with a link to register or directly following an Early Acceptance event that occurs after March 1.
 - 5.2.3. **In order to accept selection via Early Acceptance Regatta, competitors shall submit completed registration forms on the event registration website, including non-refundable registration fees, no later than April 12th, 2020.**

5.2.4. Timeline for selection and entry via Early Acceptance:

March 1	Registration period for Early Accepted competitors opens
April 11	The last of the Early Acceptance events concludes
April 12	Registration period for Early Accepted competitors closes

5.3. Selection and Entry via Resume Application:

5.3.1. Prospective competitors who are not selected via an Early Acceptance Regatta, or those who earned Early Acceptance but are choosing to apply in a different fleet or with a different teammate, shall apply for selection through the resume application process.

5.3.2. Applications shall be completed online via the Youth Championship webpage: <https://www.ussailing.org/competition/championships/2020-u-s-youth-championship/>

5.3.3. **Applications open on March 1, 2020 and shall be submitted no later than April 12, 2020.** To be considered complete, applications must include all requested information of both helm and crew (where applicable).

5.3.4. The Organizing Authority will review all valid applications and issue selections electronically by May 1, 2020.

5.3.5. Competitors **accepted through the Resume Application process shall submit completed registration forms on the event registration website, including non-refundable registration fees, no later than May 17th, 2020.**

5.3.6. Timeline for selection and entry via Resume Application:

March 1	Application period for selection via Resume Application opens
April 12	Application period for selection via Resume Application closes
May 1	Selections Announced by OA
May 1 – May 17	Registration period for competitors selected via Resume Application

5.4. A class shall have a minimum of five (5) boats registered as of end of day May 17th, or that class will be dropped from the championship and registration fees shall be refunded for any registered boats in the dropped class.

5.5. The Registration Fee is \$425.00 USD per competitor for all events, which includes some meals and US Sailing-provided fleet coaches.

5.6. No refunds of the entry fee shall be made after May 17, 2020.

5.7. This regatta is eligible for a [US Sailing Sailorship](#). Requests must be received by June 1, 2020.

6. PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE (subject to change)

6.1. Competitors shall not arrive at the venue before 1000 am, Saturday, June 20, 2020 unless they have been given prior written permission from the US Sailing Youth Championship Committee Chair. These will only be granted in unusual circumstances. [DP]

6.2. Requests for early and late arrivals and departures MUST be made in writing via e-mail to the US Sailing Youth Championship Committee Chair, boo.carraway@wrightsvillebch.com and sent no later than June 1, 2020.

6.3.

Saturday, June 20	1000 -1800	Registration for sailors and coaches
	1200-1700	Designated optional practice time
	1800	Mandatory Coaches Meeting and Credential Distribution

Sunday, June 21	0800 - 0900	Registration for sailors and coaches
	0930	Mandatory Competitors Meeting
	1000	Mandatory Spectator Boat Meeting and Credential Distribution
	1200	Warning signal for first race of the day; subsequent races to follow
Monday, June 22	0900	Morning Briefing
	1100	Warning signal for first race of the day; subsequent races to follow
Tuesday, June 23	0900	Morning Briefing
	1100	Warning signal for first race of the day; subsequent races to follow
Wednesday, June 24	0800	Morning Briefing
	1000	Warning signal for first race of the day; subsequent races to follow
	1500	No Warning Signal after 1500
	As soon as practical	Pack-up boats/Awards Ceremony

6.4. Awards presentation will be made as soon as practicable following the conclusion of racing and pack-up. **Attendance at the Awards Ceremony is mandatory for all competitors.**

7. PROCEDURES FOR PROTECTED COMPETITIONS

7.1. US Sailing Regulation 12.03, Protected Competitions, will be in effect for this event for the following classes: 29er, i420, Laser Radial, Nacra 15, ~~and Techno 293 Plus~~. The following rules and procedures will apply:

- 7.1.1. The US Sailing prescriptions to rules 63.2 and 63.4 shall apply to a Protected Competition, except that the words "when practicable" in the first sentence of the prescription to rule 63.4 are deleted.
- 7.1.2. Protest committees shall include 20% "sailor-athlete" representation. "Sailor-athlete" has the meaning of "athlete" set forth in USOC Bylaw, Section 8.8.2 (the 10-year rule) or Level A or B Sailor-Athlete as defined by US Sailing Sailor Athlete Council (SAC) Bylaws 3.3.1 and 3.3.2 (except that the US Sailing member class referred to in SAC Bylaw 3.3.2.3 shall be an international class recognized by World Sailing at the time of the sailor-athlete's qualification).
- 7.1.3. The right of appeal will not be denied under rule 70.5 (a), (b), or (c), but an expedited appeal process may be used that balances the needs of the competitor for certainty with respect to berths in future competitions and sufficient time to prepare the arguments and evidence for the appeal.
- 7.1.4. Any boat that is a party to a redress hearing may be represented by up to two individuals. This changes rule 63.3(a).

7.1.5. If a hearing is scheduled after the event is concluded and after the sailors and officials have left the venue, it will be scheduled as soon as possible, and in a place and manner chosen with deference to the competitor's preferences or circumstances; and parties to the hearing have the right to be present telephonically or via video feed as appropriate, provided all participants can hear and speak to each other.

7.2. Other rule changes:

7.2.1. Rule 65.2 is changed as follows: "seven days" is changed to "24 hours" and "promptly" is changed to "within 24 hours."

7.2.2. Rule 66, Reopening a Hearing, second sentence is deleted and replaced by: "However, if an appeal of its decision has been sent to the national authority, the hearing shall not be reopened unless the national authority requires reopening under rule R5.4 or decides the appeal cannot be considered."

7.2.3. Rule 70.2 is deleted.

7.3. Expedited appeals procedure: the expedited appeals system in rule R8, Expedited Appeals, will be used. See: <https://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/2017-Expedited-Appeals.pdf>

8. RISK, DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY & PERSONAL CONDUCT

8.1. Competitors participate in the regatta at their own risk. See rule 4 (Decision to Race). The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

8.2. Competitors will accept full responsibility for all his/her actions during any activity related to the event. This includes on-shore activities before, during, and after the regatta until such time as they either leave the venue for home or the airport.

8.3. All competitors are expected to maintain the highest levels of conduct throughout the entire event until such time as they either leave the venue for home or the airport. Enforcement of discipline and conduct shall be conducted as per the Racing Rules of Sailing (rule 69.1), the Championships' Code of Conduct and/or the policies and procedures of US Sailing (Regulation 15.01).

9. MEASUREMENT

9.1 Each boat shall comply with the equipment measurement rules of its class and may be inspected for compliance at any time during the regatta at the discretion of the Protest Committee or the Organizing Authority.

9.2 All boats shall display top sail or bow numbers, if provided, while racing. [DP]

10. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available at check-in and preliminary Sailing Instructions may be posted at <https://www.ussailing.org/competition/championships/2020-u-s-youth-championship/>

11. VENUE

See Diagram A for a map of possible race area.

12. COURSES

The courses shall be prescribed in the Sailing Instructions.

13. PENALTY SYSTEMS

For the Skiff and Multihull Events (sailing the 29er and the Nacra 15) rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

14. SCORING

14.1. The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply with the following changes.

14.1.1. Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

14.1.2. When fewer than five (5) races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

14.1.3. When five (5) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

14.2. For Windsurfing events, changes to rule A8 (series ties) in Appendix B8 shall not apply.

15. SUPPORT & SPECTATOR BOATS

Accredited Private Spectator Boats will be permitted with specific conditions outlined to invited sailors in the welcome letter and in the Sailing Instructions. A spectator boat provided by the host-club may be available for at least one day of racing. Additional opportunities for spectators may be available onshore. Details will be provided to invited sailors.

16. COACHING

16.1. This is a Grade 1 Event as defined in the [US Sailing Coaching and Support Boat Policy](#).

16.2. Coaches are required to wear PFDs while on the water.

16.3. Private Coaches must register on the Youth Championship webpage by June 10, 2020.

16.4. Private Coaches are responsible for their own housing and support boat. Information about docking, trailer storage and meal costs will be included in the regatta welcome letter.

17. PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES - US SAILING REGULATION 10.03 B AND 10.03 C, STATE:

B. For Junior and Youth events or for junior or youth competitors in any US Sailing championship, no participant or competitor shall use or possess, either on or off the water: 1. marijuana or any other substance if possession is illegal under state or federal law; or 2. any alcoholic beverages.

C. An alleged breach of one of these regulations shall not be grounds for a protest; this changes rules 60.1(a), 60.2(a) and 60.3(a). However, when the protest committee believes that a competitor may have breached one of these regulations, it shall follow the process described in the Championships Code of Conduct. If a competitor is found to have breached one of the elements within the Code of Conduct, they shall be excluded from the remaining races of the series and, where practicable, removed from the regatta venue and sent home. When a competitor withdraws from part of an event pursuant to the Code, the scores of all completed races shall stand for the purposes of determining the seeding of subsequent rounds or stages in the event. However, that competitor's boat/team will no longer be eligible to compete in the event, shall be removed from the final event scores, and each boat/team with a worse finishing place in the event shall be moved up one place.

<https://www.ussailing.org/competition/resources/hosting-a-us-sailing-championship/regulation-10/>

18. PRIZES

18.1. Depending on class size, US Sailing Championship medals may be awarded to competitors who finish first through fifth overall in classes greater than 25 and first through third overall in classes greater than ten. In classes with ten or less, first and second will be awarded.



- 18.2. The Manton D Scott Memorial Trophy will be awarded to the winning Doublehanded Dinghy (I420) team.
- 18.3. The Robert L. Johnstone III Trophy will be awarded to the winning Singlehanded Dinghy (Laser Standard) competitor.
- 18.4. The Robert and Ann Conner Trophy will be awarded to the winning Singlehanded Dinghy - Light (Laser Radial) competitor.
- 18.5. The Arthur D Stevens Trophy will be awarded to the winning Multihull team
- 18.6. The Major Hall Trophy will be awarded to the winning Windsurfing competitor.
- 18.7. The David M. Perry Perpetual Sportsmanship Trophy will be awarded in each class.
- 18.8. International Travel Grants- Made possible by the US Sailing Foundation. The top finishing doublehanded team or singlehanded sailor, as well as the top female doublehanded team or singlehanded sailor, in each fleet at the 2020 Youth Champs are eligible for travel grants of up to \$500 per athlete to represent the United States at an international competition (outside of North America) in 2021, subject to approval. Eligible sailors will be required to submit details of the international competition and a training plan to US Sailing (championships@ussailing.org) by April 1st, 2021 for approval.

19. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 19.1. All official applications, notices, forms, lists and results will be posted on the [Event Website](#).
- 19.2. For further information please contact:

US Sailing Youth Championship Committee Chair, Boo Carraway: boo.carraway@wrightsvillebch.com

US Sailing Youth Director, John Pearce: championships@ussailing.org

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Diagram A: Possible Racing Area

