2021 Chubb U.S. Junior Sailing Championships
for the Sears Cup, Bemis Trophy and Smythe Trophy
August 10-13, 2021

Organizing Authority (OA): United States Sailing Association
Host: Eastern Yacht Club
Sponsors: Chubb Insurance

NOTICE OF RACE
Posted March 22, 2021

1. RULES

1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 (RRS), and the Prescriptions of US Sailing. Applicable Prescriptions will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

1.2. The following documents shall apply:

1.2.1. US Sailing Regulations 2.02, 4.02, 13, 14.04
1.2.2. 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), 60.2(a) and 60.3(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.

1.2.3. The Conditions for the Junior Sailing Championship and the US Sailing Conditions for Championships.
1.2.4. US Sailing’s SafeSport Handbook
1.2.5. US Sailing’s Code of Conduct
1.2.6. The US Sailing Championship Support Vessel Policy: This will be a Grade 2 Coaching event. US Sailing coaches will be provided and no private or team coaching is permitted.

1.3. This Championship is not being conducted as a sanctioned or class association event. Only the Equipment Measurement Rules for the RS21, C420 and Laser Radial classes will apply.

1.4. RRS 40 is changed so that each competitor shall wear a USCG approved life jacket 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]

1.5. 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.

1.6. Rule 77 is changed such that a boat is not required to display national letters; however, competitors may be required to apply supplied recall numbers to their boat or sail. If recall numbers are required, they will be supplied by the OA.

1.7. The failure of any boat to hear the hail, an untimely hail of OCS boats, failure to hail any boats, and the order of the boats in the hail shall not be grounds for granting redress. This changes rule 62.1.
1.8. RRS 61.1(a) is changed to add: “A boat intending to protest about an incident that occurs in the racing area shall notify the Race Committee (RC) finish boat of her intention as soon as possible after finishing, including the boat identification number of the boat(s) being protested.”

1.9. When Borrowed Boats are provided for the competitors in a series, the Breakdown Procedure of Appendix D5 shall be utilized. Appendix D5.2 is changed to substitute a yellow flag for signaling a breakdown on the boat and reference to umpire is replaced with protest committee. In rules D5.3 and D5.4, all references to “race committee” are changed to “protest committee”. Quadruplehanded teams are expected to bring a yellow breakdown flag at least 8”x8” in size.

1.10. 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.

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

3. DISCIPLINES
3.1. The regatta will include these disciplines utilizing the following class compliant equipment:
   Singlehanded - Laser Radial; Doublehanded - Club 420 with spinnaker & trapeze;
   Quadruplehanded – RS21. [DP]
3.2. All boats will be organized by the OA: Singlehanded and Doublehanded boats shall be chartered by Zim Sailing, and the Quadruplehanded boats to be chartered by RS 21 will be organized by the Host. Private boats are not permitted.

4. ELIGIBILITY
4.1. Competitors must have reached their 13th birthday but not their 19th birthday during the calendar year of competition.
4.2. Competitors must be individual or family members, all in good standing, of US Sailing at the time of: qualification event, registration and the event.
4.3. Competitors must be eligible to complete under the laws, regulations, policies, and rules of USOPC or its affiliated organizations.
4.4. All competitors must be a member of a Local Sailing Organization (LSO) that is a member of US Sailing. An LSO is defined to include a yacht club, sailing club, community sailing program or other sailing organization.
4.5. For disciplines other than singlehanded, crew member(s) must be members of a LSO which is a member of US Sailing within the same US Sailing Area as the helm.
4.6. The skipper and all the members of a crew shall reside in or regularly compete in the same US Sailing Area where the club is geographically located.

5. QUALIFICATION
5.1. Each Area, as defined by US Sailing, may qualify one (1) team for the Quadruplehanded discipline and two (2) teams for both the Singlehanded and Doublehanded disciplines with the
exception of Areas H and L which may qualify only one (1) team for each of the three disciplines.

5.2. The team must remain the same throughout the series of qualifying events within and through the Area Qualifying event and including the National Championship. Crew changes shall meet the requirements of the Conditions for the US Junior Championship. See 1.2.3 for a link to this document.

5.3. A Quadruplehanded Team must have four crew members (including the skipper).

6. REGISTRATION AND ENTRY

6.1. Qualified teams may enter the event by completing the registration, including payment in full, made available on the Event Website.

6.2. Registrations shall be submitted online by June 15 or, if the Area Championship concludes after this date, no later than 72 hours after qualification.

6.3. If requested by the Organizing Authority, an applicant shall send a copy of his or her birth certificate or passport to complete the application.

6.4. Entry Fees:

6.4.1. The entry fee is $300 per Singlehanded competitor, which includes coaching, some meals and entertainment.

6.4.2. The Entry fee is $600 per Doublehanded team, which includes coaching, some meals and entertainment.

6.4.3. The Entry fee is $900 per Quadruplehanded team, which includes coaching, some meals and entertainment.

6.4.4. The entry fee shall be paid on-line at the time of registration.

6.4.5. The entry fee does not include the charter fee. See NoR 7 for information on charters.

6.5. A completed entry is defined as all forms having been completed on-line and all appropriate entry forms and fees having been received by the host club by July 31, 2021.

6.6. No refunds of the entry fee will be made after July 31, 2021, unless a replacement team can be found.

6.7. This event is eligible for US Sailing’s Sailorship program.

7. CHARTER BOATS

7.1. All boats are organized by the OA and subject to a charter/borrowed boat usage fee and damage deposit which is to be paid directly to the Charter Company (for singlehanded and doublehanded boats) or Host Organization (for Quadruplehanded boats).

7.2. Charter Agreements are between a competitor and the Charter Company (for singlehanded and doublehanded boats) or Host Organization (for Quadruplehanded boats).

7.3. Charter Boats and Borrowed Boats will include:

7.3.1. Singlehanded – Laser provided by Zim Sailing in race-ready condition. Competitors shall provide their own sails and blades.

7.3.2. Doublehanded – C420 with blades and sails provided by Zim Sailing in race-ready condition. Competitors shall provide their own trapeze harnesses.

7.3.3. Quadruplehanded – RS 21 provided by RS in race-ready condition. Competitors are responsible for ensuring the boats are in shipshape condition each day after racing.
Teams will draw for boats before each day of racing (there will be no rotations on the water).

7.4. Competitors shall contact the below Charter Companies/Host directly to pay the charter/usage fees:

7.4.1. Laser Radials – Zim Sailing – (401) 237-6117, charters@zimsailing.com
7.4.2. Club 420s – Zim Sailing – (401) 237-6117, charters@zimsailing.com
7.4.3. RS 21 – Eastern Yacht Club – contact info to be provided with welcome packet.
7.4.4. Charter/borrowed boat usage fees must be paid for in full by July 31, 2021. [DP]

7.5. A separate Damage Deposit Fee shall be submitted by each competing team as part of registration.

7.5.1. Laser Radial - Damage Deposit Fee as specified by Zim Sailing
7.5.2. Club 420 - Damage Deposit Fee as specified by Zim Sailing
7.5.3. RS 21 - Damage Deposit Fee as specified by the host in the Welcome Packet

8. HOUSING

8.1. There will be no regatta provided housing for this event. Please see event website for housing options.

9. TRANSPORTATION

9.1. US Sailing members can receive discounted travel through United Airlines for this event. Go to https://www1.ussailing.org/User/Login.aspx?ReturnUrl=/constituents/MyCoupons.aspx. This discount is only available through this site.

9.2. Local transportation to and from the event (from local airports) is the competitor’s responsibility; no transportation will be provided by the OA.

10. SCHEDULE

Subject to change, final schedule will be posted on the Notice Board.

10.1. Requests for early arrivals or departures will only be given in extenuating circumstances and must be requested via email at the time of registration to the National Event Chair, Matt Dubois (msdubois@sbcglobal.net) and approved at least two weeks ahead of the event start date.

10.2. Tentative schedule:

Monday, August 9

1200 – 1800 Registration & Set-Up EARLY ARRIVALS ARE NOT PERMITTED

Tuesday, August 10

0830 – 0900 Competitors Meeting All classes
0900 - 1400 Race clinics Clinics divided by classes
1430 Practice race warning signal First Race to follow
1700 Competitors Meeting and Local conditions seminar

Wednesday, August 11
0830 – 0900  Competitors Meeting  All classes
0930  Harbor gun for all disciplines
1100  Warning Signal for First Race - all circles  No warning signal after 1800

Thursday, August 12
0830 – 0900  Competitors Meeting  All classes
0930  Harbor gun for all disciplines
1100  Warning Signal - all circles.  No warning signal after 1800

Friday, August 13
0830 – 0900  Competitors Meeting  All classes
0900  Harbor gun for all disciplines
1030  Warning Signal - all circles.  No warning signal after 1330
As soon as is practical after racing  Awards ceremony  (all boats must be packed first)

11. MANDATORY PARTICIPATION
11.1. A mandatory clinic will be held preceding the championship. The purpose of the clinic will be to familiarize the competitors with the local conditions and probable race course. The clinic is intended to include a practice race. Coaches for the clinic will be provided by US Sailing.

12. MEASUREMENT
12.1. 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.
12.2. Personal flotation devices will be checked at registration for compliance with NoR 1.4.

13. SPECIAL CONDITIONS FOR QUADRUPLEHANDED DISCIPLINE
13.1. Teams shall not in any way adjust standing rigging of any boat in a round robin series during the event, except with the prior consent of the Technical Committee. Teams understand that each boat is rigged within the specifications of the RS 21 class and specific sail adjustments may vary from boat to boat.
13.2. The race committee may change any sailing rule or specification in the sailing instructions with the approval of the Chief Judge provided that the change is fair to all competitors. Examples may include, but are not limited to, replacing penalty turns with a scoring penalties and the elimination of spinnakers.

14. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
14.1. Sailing Instructions will be posted online at the Event Website and will be available at registration.

15. VENUE
15.1. Eastern Yacht Club, 47 Foster Street, Marblehead, MA 01945
15.2. The races will be primarily sailed in the waters outside of Marblehead Harbor in Massachusetts bay. See diagram A. Detailed course locations will be provided in the sailing instructions.

16. COURSES
16.1. All disciplines will sail windward/leeward courses with leeward gates, or other appropriate courses as approved by the PRO. Detailed descriptions of the courses will be provided in the sailing instructions.

17. PENALTY SYSTEMS
17.1. Appendix P - Special Procedures for Rule 42 will apply with the exception of RRS P2.3 which shall not apply.

18. SCORING
18.1. Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
18.2. In accordance with RRS A2, a boat’s series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score after six (6) races are completed.
18.3. Up to ten (10) races are scheduled for the Singlehanded, Doublehanded and Quadruplehanded disciplines.

19. SPECTATOR BOATS
19.1. Spectator boats may be provided by the host-club on a limited basis. Additional opportunities for spectators may be available onshore. Details will be provided to invited sailors.

20. COACHING
20.1. This is a Grade 2 Event as defined in the US Sailing Championship Coaching and Support Boat Policy. US Sailing coaches will be supplied and no private/team coaching is permitted. Private instructors, coaches and other support personnel including family members shall not go afloat in the defined racing area at any time during the clinic or racing days, except in spectator boats as defined in NoR 19. [DP]
20.2. Competitors shall not receive advice, instruction, or any type of assistance related to the competition outside of that provided by US Sailing. Outside contact with competitors, including electronic communication, for the purposes of offering a racing advantage is prohibited for the duration of the event; commencing with the competitor's arrival at the host club until dismissal by the US Sailing Coach on clinic days, or released by the Protest Committee on racing days. [DP]
20.3. The coaches provided by US Sailing will offer on-the-water instruction and group commentary/advice on land following each racing day. This coaching will be given to all competitors on an as equal basis as possible.

21. EQUIPMENT
21.1. The only gear, rigging, or equipment that a competitor may take aboard a boat is: a refillable water bottle, class-legal compass, flags, plastic bucket or bailer, normally equipped ditty-bag,
personal effects, PFDs and protective clothing. For the C420 event, competitors may also bring aboard their personal trapeze harness. [DP]

21.2. GPS devices of all varieties, styles and combinations and VHF radios are specifically banned. [DP]

22. 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. The competitor’s boat shall be disqualified from all races of the series.

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

23. CONDUCT OF COMPETITORS

23.1. All competitors are expected to maintain the highest levels of conduct throughout the entire event. Enforcement of discipline and conduct will be conducted as per the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS 69.1) and the policies and procedures of US Sailing.

24. PRIZES

24.1. US Sailing Championship medals will be awarded to competitors who finish first through third.

24.2. The following trophies will be presented:
   Singlehanded - The Smythe Trophy is the perpetual trophy presented to the winner.
   Doublehanded - The F. Gregg Bemis Trophy is the perpetual trophy presented to the winning team.
   Quadruplehanded - The Sears Cup is the perpetual trophy presented to the winning team. The Judges Trophy will be awarded to the second place team.

24.3. Sportsmanship and Seamanship Awards will be presented as follows:
   Singlehanded - Faye Bennet Sportsmanship Award
   Doublehanded - Bemis Sportsmanship Award
   Quadruplehanded - Cox Sportsmanship Award
   The Seamanship Trophy will be awarded to the Quadruplehanded Team that receives the greatest number of points for neatness and general shipshape condition of their boats as per USJRSC Condition 7.

25. RISK, DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY
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.

26. FURTHER INFORMATION

26.1. All official applications, notices, forms, lists and results will be posted at the Event Website: https://www.ussailing.org/competition/championships/chubb-u-s-junior-championships/

26.2. For further information please contact:

National Chair: Matthew Dubois, msdubois@sbcglobal.net
Event Co-Chairs: Hannah Lynn, hannah9163@gmail.com
Ward Blodgett, wblodgett@twnh.com
US Sailing: Catherine Shanahan, championships@ussailing.org