



MYC Opti Regatta Area C with Green Fleet  
Milford Yacht Club  
131 Trumbull Ave., Milford CT 06460  
Wed. July 27, 2022

Classes: Optimist  
Open to: JSA Area C  
Qualifier for: Opti Champs



## **Notice of Race**

- *Milford Yacht Club is the Organizing Authority (OA) in partnership with the Junior Sailing Association of Long Island Sound)*
- **[DP]** *The notation '[DP]' in a rule means that the penalty for a breach of the rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.*

### **1 RULES**

1.1 The regatta is governed by:

- a. the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)
- b. Optimist Class Rules
- c. the Rules for JSA Events
- d. the JSA Code of Conduct
- e. US Sailing [SafeSport Handbook](#)
- f. RRS Appendix V1 Penalty at the Time of an Incident, and Appendix V2 Penalty Taken After a Race, will apply.
- g. Appendix T, Arbitration will apply

### **2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

2.1 The sailing instructions will be available on the following web site [www.milfordyachtclub.com](http://www.milfordyachtclub.com) after 8am on July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Copies will also be available at Regatta Registration Tables..

### **3 COMMUNICATION**

- 3.1 This Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions, results and other information will be available at [www.theclubspot.com](http://www.theclubspot.com). Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the front door of Milford Yacht Club.
- 3.2 Each safety and support vessel shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on all US channels].
- 3.3 [DP] All support vessels shall monitor the designated VHF channels for each course. Support persons shall maintain silence on these channels unless safety-related communication with the race committee or safety patrol is necessary.

- 3.4 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on loudhailers. Courtesy broadcasts to support persons will be made via VHF radio. Designated channels will be listed in the sailing instructions.
- 3.5 [DP] While racing, from the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication not available to all boats.

**4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 4.1 This regatta is open to all competitors who meet JSA and regatta eligibility requirements.
- 4.2 This event is open as a qualifier for JSA Optimist Champs to sailors representing member programs in JSA Area C only. Sailors from programs outside JSA Area C may enter as non-champs qualifiers if space permits, in which case entries will be accepted in order of date of receipt]
- 4.3 The regatta is open to JSA members racing Optimists who meet the age and weight requirements for their respective classes set forth below (or who have had their under-age or under-weight permission request form approved by the Event Chair), and who have also been certified as competent for this event by, and are under the aegis of the Head Instructor or Program Chair of the Junior Sailing Program at their club, or a similar competent organization. Under-age or under-weight permission requests must be submitted by 1700 on July 22 via the JSA Online Regatta Registration system and will be considered on a case-by-case basis. Permission may be granted at the sole discretion of the Event Chair; all decisions will be final.

<b>Class</b>	<b>Minimum Age (as of)</b>	<b>Maximum Age (as of)</b>
Optimist (Green)	8 (as of birthday)	15 (as of birthday)
Optimist (White)	8 (as of birthday)	10 (as of birthday)
Optimist (Blue)	11 (as of birthday)	12 (as of birthday)
Optimist (Red)	13 (as of birthday)	15 (as of birthday)

- 4.4 Eligible boats may enter by registering online at <https://theclubspot.com/dashboard/regatta/jglPZyuwtB/> to be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.5 Questions regarding eligibility and registration should be directed to Bruce Scull, Regatta Chair, [fleetcaptain@milfordyachtclub.com](mailto:fleetcaptain@milfordyachtclub.com).

**5 MEASUREMENT, SAFETY AND EQUIPMENT**

- 5.1 Each skipper shall present their self-check boat safety form at registration.
- 5.2 Weight restrictions: Some or all competitors in classes with minimum weight restrictions may be required to weigh in during the registration period.

**6 FEES**

- 6.1 The entry fee is \$ 70 per sailor due at 1700 on Friday, July 22. The fee for entries submitted after the due date is \$ 80 per sailor. No refunds of the entry fee will be made after 1700 on Monday July 25. There is no fee to send an Instructor. The entry fee includes lunch and after race activities.
- 6.2 All sailors and instructors are required to check in (in person) on the first day of the event.

## 7 SCHEDULE

Day	Date	Time	Activity	Location
Wed	July 28	0800	Registration	Main Clubhouse
		0800	Measurement and equipment check	Dry-sail area
		0945	Instructors Meeting	Front Lawn
		1000	Competitors Meeting	Front Lawn
		1030	Harbor Start	Docks
		1115	First Warning Signal	Starting Area
		As time permits	Lunch	On the water
		1630	Presentation of awards	Front lawn

7.1 No warning signal will be made after 1500 on Wednesday July 27

## 8 VENUE

8.1 The racing area will be in the Gulf off Charles Island in Milford.

## 9 COURSES

9.1 The course to be sailed will be the Optimist Triangle described in the Sailing Instructions.

## 10 SCORING

10.1 7 races are scheduled. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

10.2 When fewer than six (6) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When six (6) to ten (10) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

10.3 In the event there are more than competitors in a fleet, the fleet may be divided randomly by the race committee into sets. Divisions that start together will be scored overall (*e.g., Optimist Red, Blue and White age groups will race as one fleet, even if separate sets*).

## 11 PRIZES

11.1 Prizes will be awarded to the top 3 overall finishers and to the top 5 finishers in the Red, White, and Blue fleet age groups.

11.3 A sportsmanship trophy may be awarded at the discretion of the race committee.

## 12 SUPPORT VESSELS

12.1 Any program entering three or more boats shall supply an instructor with a support vessel equipped with a working VHF radio, an anchor and a first aid kit.

12.2 All support vessels shall be equipped with a functioning engine safety cut-out switch (kill switch) which shall remain attached to the operator at all times while the engine is running.

12.3 The instructor shall register with the OA at registration.

- 12.4 Instructors shall attend the instructors' meeting to receive safety assignments.
- 12.5 Any program entering fewer than three boats that will not supply a support vessel shall arrange with another program to allow the supervising Instructor out onto the water. In no circumstance shall competitors be allowed to sail without a designated instructor on the race course.

#### 14 DRONE USAGE

- 14.1 Drones are not allowed at the event unless they are authorized by the Organizing Authority (OA). Content from OA authorized drones should not be used for coaching during the event. If the content is used for coaching (or other similar purposes) it shall be made available to all competitors at the same time and not during competition hours. Further, the content shall be made available to the JSA for promotional purposes by promptly emailing said content to [news@jsalis.org](mailto:news@jsalis.org)."

#### 15 RISK STATEMENT

- 15.1 By registering for this event, the person-in-charge of each boat agrees with the following:
- My crew and I recognize that sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury, sickness and disease (including communicable diseases such as Covid-19) associated with it. We have read RRS 3, Decision to Race, and hereby acknowledge and agree that we are participating in this event entirely at our own risk.
  - I acknowledge and agree that neither the organizing authority, host club nor the race committee, nor their members will be responsible for: a) any damage to the entered boat or my other property, or b) any injury, sickness or disease (including communicable diseases such as Covid-19) to my crew or me, including death, sustained as a result of our participation in this event.
  - I hereby waive any rights I may have to sue the race organizers (organizing authority, host club, race committee, protest committee, sponsors or any other organization or official) with respect to personal injury, sickness or disease (including communicable diseases such as Covid-19) or property damage suffered by my crew or me as a result of our participation in this event, whether on the water or on shore, and hereby release the race organizers from any liability for such injury, sickness or disease (including communicable diseases such as Covid-19) or damage to the fullest extent permitted by law.
  - I have taken all necessary steps to ensure that my crew and I and my entered boat are adequately prepared for all possible contingencies, including carrying and using appropriate safety equipment as may be required by law, racing rules and that a prudent seaman would consider advisable.

***I agree to be bound by all rules that govern this event.  
I will inform all crewmembers of the conditions***

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