

KPMG YOUTH WINTER CHAMPIONSHIP 2024 (OPTIMISTS, LASERS & SUNFISH)

March 2 &3, 2024

NOTICE OF RACE

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY:

Bahamas National Sailing School and Nassau Yacht Club in co-operation with The Bahamas Sailing Association.

1. RULES:

The Event will be governed by:

- 1.1 The rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021 - 2024 (RRS).
- 1.2 The IODA Class Rules, ILCA Rules and Sunfish Class Rules.
- 1.3 BSA prescribes that Part 4, Rule 40.1 will apply and in addition competitors racing in single-handed dinghies shall wear personal flotation devices at all times while afloat except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment.
- 1.4 RRS Appendix T (Arbitration) will apply.
- 1.5 For ILCA and Optimist Championship Fleet RRS Appendix P (Special procedures for Rule 42) applies.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

The Sailing Instructions will be posted on the office notice board on the 1st March.

3. COMMUNICATION:

- 3.1 The official notice board shall be at the sail shed of the NYC.

4. ENTRY AND ELIGIBILITY:

- 4.1 Competitors may enter by completing the Registration Form before 9:30 a.m. on the first day of the event, paying the entry fee and completing all waiver requirements.
- 4.2 For ILCA sailors eligible sailors must be born after 31st December, 2005. For Sunfish sailors eligible sailors must be born after 31st December, 2006 and for Optimist Sailors eligible sailors must be born after 31st December, 2009.
- 4.3 Competitors must be paid up members of the class in which they are sailing as well as Bahamas Sailing Association.

5. REGISTRATION & FEES:

- 5.1 Registration will be at NYC March 2 20, 8:30 - 9:30 a.m.
- 5.2 Event registration fee is \$40.00 and is due at time of registration.

6. [DP]ADVERTISING:

- 6.1 Advertising is permitted in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.
- 6.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority

7. EVENT FORMAT:

7.1 There will be two ILCA fleets (4 and 6), a Sunfish fleet, and two Optimist fleets based primarily on skill level regardless of age. These are as follows:

- a. **Championship Fleet** – Competitors who have previously raced in one of our major events and those whose coaches consider them competent enough to be sailing in this fleet.
- b. **Green Fleet** – Sailors who have not raced in a major event before plus those assigned by coaches to be sailing in this fleet.
- c. There will be **on-the-water coaching during racing** for the Green Fleet only.

7.2 For all classes there must be a minimum of four boats in each fleet for them to be scored separately. For the ILCA, if the minimum is not met the 4 and 6 fleets will sail together as one fleet. These combined fleets will be scored as one.

7.3 Seven races are planned for the ILCA and Sunfish fleets, seven for the Optimist Championship fleet and six for the Optimist Green Fleet. A minimum of three races is required for the series to stand and the worst score will be dropped if six or more races are completed.

7.4 Sunfish and ILCA Fleets may start together in the discretion of the Principal Race Officer.

8. SCHEDULE:

8.1 Saturday, Mar 2, 2024

- 0830 – 0930 – Registration at NYC
- 0930 - Competitors' meeting at NYC
- 1030 – Warning Signal – 1st race
 - Race(s) to follow
 - Lunch break on the water
 - Race(s) to follow

Sunday, March 3, 2024

- 1000 – Warning Signal - 1st race of the day
 - Race(s) to follow
 - Presentation at pool side

8.2 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal shall be made after 1400 hours.

9. MEASUREMENT:

There will be no measurement of boats or equipment. Sailors are expected to abide by the class rules. Coaches are to ensure this is done for their own sailors. There may be inspection by RC officials at random.

10. VENUE.

10.1 The host club is Bahamas National Sailing School and Nassau Yacht Club

10.2 Sailing will be in Montagu Bay.

11. COURSES:

11.1 Courses will be as follows:

- Optimist Championship – Trapezoid or windward/Leeward
- Optimist Green Fleet – Triangle with upwind finish.
- ILCA & Sunfish - Windward/Leeward, Olympic or Triangle with an upwind finish.

12. PENALTY SYSTEM

12.1 RRS 44.1 & 44.2 will be in effect for this Event.

12.2 A boat that has taken a penalty under rule 31 or 44.1 shall report it to the RC promptly upon finishing that race.

12.3 Boats intending to protest shall notify the race committee immediately upon finishing the race in which they intend to protest or if they do not finish the race at the first available opportunity.

12.4 For Optimist Green Fleet only - Protests will not be heard. This does not prevent the competitor from requesting a hearing or for Arbitration to occur Appendix T. Appendix T is amended for Green Fleet to allow for Arbitration in all protests including those for which Arbitration is not normally applicable.

13. SCORING

13.1 The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A will apply.

13.2 When 5 races or fewer have been completed a boat's score shall be the total of her race scores. When 6 or more races have been completed a boat's score shall be the total of her race scores less her worst score.

14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the Event entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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, prior to, during, or after the Event.

15. SAFETY, ADULT RESPONSIBILITY AND SUPPORT PERSONS

15.1 The parent, guardian or designated adult is responsible for the safety of their child/sailor. It is the responsibility solely of this adult to decide if the sailor should sail in the weather and sea conditions that might arise during the event. The adults supervising the competitors are ultimately responsible for the risks.

15.2 Parents not personally attending any part of the event shall ensure that another adult is authorized and designated to make these decisions for their sailor, and each competitor shall indicate in writing the parent or adult representative that will be responsible for the competitor throughout the event.

15.3 The designated adult shall accept full responsibility for all actions of the competitor during any activity related to the event. This includes on-shore activities before, during, and after the Event.

15.4 Designated adults and support persons shall comply with all reasonable requests of a race official.

16. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to the top three finishes in each fleet.

17. QUALIFIERS

17.1 For Optimist Sailors this event is being used as one of the Bahamian Team qualifiers for the **OPTIMIST WORLDS AND NORTH AMERICANS**

17.2 For ILCA Sailors this event is one being used as one of the Bahamian qualifiers for the **WORLD SAILING YOUTH WORLDS – ILCA6 boys and ILCA6 girls.**

18. [NP][DP] MEDIA AND MARKETING RIGHTS

18.1 By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the OA and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use, and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recordings, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.