



Notice of Race

Dave French Memorial Regatta

Oak Harbor Youth Sailing, June 24-25 2023

1301 SE Catalina Dr. Oak Harbor, WA 98277

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing, including the prescriptions of US Sailing, as modified by the NWYRC Notice of Series, this Notice of Race, and the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 Class rules shall be observed and enforced by the competitors, except that competitors may use a "club sail" in place of a class approved sail, provided it is of the same size, shape, material, and construction.
- 1.3 In the event of a protest, boats are exempted from displaying a red protest flag (this modifies Opti Class rules). These changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions. The Sailing Instructions may also change other racing rules.

2 ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1 The regatta is open to boats of the C420 (spin and trap), CFJ, Laser (Standard, Radial, 4.7), and Optimist (RWB and Green fleet) classes whose crews meet the eligibility criteria defined in the NWYRC Notice of Series.
- 2.2 Fleets must have three (3) boats registered by June 20 to qualify for a start.
- 2.3 Classes not mentioned above with at least five (5) boats sailed by eligible NWYRC competitors may petition for entry. Additional classes are subject to the same cut off and registration dates.
- 2.4 All sailors must be registered with the NWYRC. [Click Here](#) to register (It's FREE!).

3 REGISTRATION & ENTRY

- 3.1 An entry fee of \$80 for double-handed classes (per boat) and \$40 for singlehanded classes (per boat) shall be collected in advance of the regatta either online or during registration.
- 3.2 A late fee of \$20 will be added to the registration fee and will go into effect starting Wednesday before the regatta.
- 3.3 Competitors shall register online [here](#).

4 SCHEDULE

Saturday, June 24, 2023		Sunday, June 25, 2023	
9am – 10:30am	Registration /Rigging / Launch	9am-10:30am	Rigging / Launch
10:00am	Safety/Support Boat Meeting	9:30am	Morning Announcements
10:30am	Competitors Meeting (Mandatory)	11:00am	First Warning
Noon	First Warning	3:00pm	No Starts after this time
		4:00pm	Awards Ceremony

*Any changes to the schedule above will be directly communicated to competitors 24 hours prior to said change.

5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available online no later than June 19, 2023.

6 RACING AREA

- 6.1 Race courses will be located in Oak Harbor Bay and Saratoga Passage.



- 6.2 The Race Committee may tow competitors out to the racecourse at their request. However, competitors requesting a tow out must be ready to leave the dock promptly after the skipper's meeting.

7 NUMBER OF RACES

- 7.1 For all classes, 10 races are scheduled during the two day regatta, conditions permitting.
7.2 A minimum of one race shall constitute a regatta.

8 SCORING

- 8.1 This regatta shall be scored in accordance to Appendix A.
8.2 Results of this regatta will count toward the 2023 NWYRC Summer Series overall standings

9 SUPPORT & SPECTATOR BOATS

- 9.1 Except in the case of emergencies, support and spectator boats must remain a distance of 75 feet from the racing area at all times, and shall not cause significant wake in the racing area.
9.2 Coaches and spectators must carry a working VHF radio and monitor VHF Channel 72 at all times. Support and spectator boats shall provide assistance to competitors if so directed by the Race Committee.
9.3 The Oak Harbor Marina launch ramp is shallow. The ramp is accessible at the forecasted tide for Sunday afternoon, but larger boats may be difficult to pull and tow vehicles will likely need to get wet. Coach boats may stay in Oak Harbor for a better tide (either later that day or later in the week) or boats may be pulled at the Cornet Bay Marina (18.1 NM).

10 SAFETY

- 10.1 Competitors shall wear a US Coast Guard (USCG) approved Type III personal flotation device (PFD) while on the water other than for brief periods while adding or removing clothing.
10.2 Competitors shall carry a bowline which is to remain affixed to a tow point at all times while racing. Double-handed boats are required to have a bowline of 30 ft or more. Single-handed boats are required to have a bowline of 20 ft or more.
10.3 The safety boats shall come to the aid of a boat in distress at the judgment of the safety team. A boat in distress cannot refuse assistance from a safety boat and may continue racing if able.

11 BOAT STORAGE

Competitors' boats may be stored in the area near the Wildcat Sailing Building on Saturday night in an area designated by the Regatta Organizers. Coach and Support Boats can be kept in the water at the OHYS Floating Dock as well.

12 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded proportionally, based on the number of entries registered prior to the registration deadline.

13 CHARTERS

There are a limited number of charters available for this regatta. Boats will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. Sailors are expected to return the boats in good working order or may have their damage deposit withheld at the conclusion of the regatta. Contact Shawn P. O'Connor about charters at sailingwildcats@gmail.com.



14 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please contact the Regatta Chair: Shawn P. O'Connor, sailingwildcats@gmail.com, (360)929-5111.