

TEXAS SAILING ASSOCIATION YOUTH CIRCUIT REGATTA
Texas Youth Race Week 2026
ILCA and 420 Hosted at Lakewood YC

Organizing Authority:
Bay Access Sailing Foundation at Lakewood Yacht Club
2322 Lakewood Yacht Club Dr. Seabrook, TX 77586

July 9-10, 2026

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 (RRS).
- 1.2. "The Texas Youth Racing Circuit Conditions" apply and are available on the web site at <http://www.txsail.org/>.
- 1.3. The rules for all classes are modified so that membership in a class organization is not required.
- 1.4. A competitor must notify the Race Committee (RC) of their intent to protest another boat, at the finish line, before talking to a coach or a parent. If this instruction is not followed, the protest will be found to be invalid. This is in addition to and modifies the requirements of class rules and RRS 60.1.
- 1.5. [DP] All boats shall have sail numbers which match the registration form. Sail numbers meeting class standards are required.
- 1.6. Appendix T, Arbitration, shall be used.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. A link to the event site for Sailing Instructions will be provided online at the TSA Website (<http://www.txsail.org/>) and posted on the Notice Board.

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at URL <https://theclubspot.com/regatta/O5hltPogQ5>.
- 3.2. Support Persons' boats (including coaches and parents) (support boats) shall have a working VHF radio and monitor the RC channel.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. The regatta is open to all boats of the Sunfish, ILCA 4, 6, and 7, and Double-Handed classes (420 Club, 420 Collegiate, I-420, FJ or other double handed boat which forms a class). All classes are "bring your own boat". A minimum of three boats is required to form a class.
- 4.2. The regatta is open to all junior sailors who are less than twenty (20) years old and who do not turn twenty (20) years of age during this calendar year.
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- 4.5. Pre-Registration is encouraged and may be completed online via the regatta website accessed through <https://theclubspot.com/regatta/O5hltPogQ5>.
- 4.6. Registration for the regatta will end at 12:00 (noon) on Monday, July 6, before the regatta. Late registration may be accepted by the OA at their discretion; however, meals and/or regatta giveaways may not be available to late registrants.

- 4.7. All sailors are required to check in on-site, even if the sailor pre-registered [Registration and] Check-in at the regatta will be conducted at the registration table on Thursday, July 9, 2026, between 8:00 a.m. and 09:30 a.m. at the Seahorse Lounge.
- 4.8. Execution of a Liability Release Agreement as set forth in the Registration Form shall be required. Parents are urged to provide a signed Medical Consent Form to enable other adults to obtain emergency medical services in the event of the parents' unavailability during the regatta.

5. FEES

- 5.1. The entry fee is \$85 for each sailor, whether in single or double-handed boats. A late fee of \$25 will be assessed for registrations after Wednesday July 1 at midnight. The entry fee includes one regatta T-Shirt and the following meals for each sailor: Thursday grab and go continental breakfast, Thursday sandwich lunch, Thursday taco pool party, Friday grab and go continental breakfast, Friday sandwich. Thursday night meal tickets will be available for non-competitors for an extra charge of \$20 at the event.

6. ADVERTISING

- 6.1. [DP] Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

7. PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE (subject to change) AND LOGISTICS

- 7.1. The schedule for the regatta is:

Wednesday, July 8

All day The Club will be open to allow unloading of boats and practice.

Thursday, July 9

08:30-10:00 Breakfast

08:30-10:00 Check-in at the Seahorse Lounge

10:30 Competitors' Meeting at the Seahorse Lounge (Attendance Mandatory)

12:00 Warning Signal for the first race, additional races to follow

18:00 Dinner (time may be adjusted to suit sailing, notice will be given)

Friday, July 10

08:30-10:00 Breakfast

12:00 Warning Signal for the first race, additional races to follow

16:00 No race started after this time

After the last race, all boats will tow to Houston Yacht Club. Awards will be presented at Houston Yacht Club.

- 7.2. Six (6) or more races are scheduled.
- 7.3. Trailer storage should be in the designated areas (further details to come).
- 7.4. Visiting competitor boats are welcome to rig and store boats on the grass surrounding the dinghy launch ramp.
- 7.5. Visiting spectator boats are welcome to use designated slips in the harbor (further details to come).
- 7.6. This regatta is partnered with Houston Yacht Club. **After sailing on Friday all fleets will tow directly to Houston Yacht Club without returning to Lakewood.** Transportation of dollies by flatbed trailer will be provided. However, each family/team will be responsible for transporting all other gear and trailers.

8. VENUE

- 8.1. Races will be conducted on the waters of Galveston Bay.

9. COURSES

- 9.1. Details of course arrangement will be included in the Sailing Instructions.

10. SCORING

- 10.1. The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply with the following changes:
 - 10.1.1. One (1) completed race is required to constitute a regatta.
 - 10.1.2. When five (5) to nine (9) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
 - 10.1.3. When ten (10) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two (2) worst scores.

11. SAFETY

- 11.1. [DP] RRS 40.1 is in effect so that each competitor shall wear a U.S. Coast Guard approved life jacket (PFD), in good condition, that is 100% dependent on foam for flotation (i.e., inherently buoyant) and the appropriate size for the sailor, at all times while on the water, except for brief periods while adding or removing clothing. 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. A pinnie may be worn outside of the PFD.
- 11.2. [DP] All Support Persons operating a boat must employ a safety kill-switch lanyard as required by Texas state law, especially when in the proximity of and approaching sailors in and on the water. If a Support Person's boat is required to use a kill switch and is not equipped with, or is not using, a kill switch, the Support Person may be subject to protest.

12. RISK STATEMENT, DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY, & PERSONAL CONDUCT

- 12.1. An adult (parent, guardian or designated adult) is responsible for the safety of their sailor. It is the responsibility 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.
See RRS 3 (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 this event.
- 12.2. 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 regatta.

13. MISCONDUCT AND PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES

- 13.1. All competitors and support persons (including coaches and parents) are expected to maintain the highest levels of conduct throughout the entire event until such time as they leave for home or the airport. Enforcement of discipline and conduct shall be conducted as per RRS 69 and/or the policies and procedures of US Sailing (Regulation 15.01).
- 13.2. Prohibited Substances
 - 13.2.1. Per US Sailing Regulation 10.03 B and 10.03 C, for Junior and Youth events or for junior or youth competitors in any Texas Sailing Association Junior event, 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; 2. Any alcoholic beverages. This regulation is in effect from date and time of arrival through date and time of departure from the locale.
 - 13.2.2. An alleged breach of one of these regulations shall not be grounds for a protest. This changes RRS 60.1. If a competitor is found to have breached one of these elements, they shall be excluded from the remaining races of the series and, where practicable, be removed from the regatta venue and sent home. When a competitor withdraws from part of an event due to a violation of any section of NOR 13, the scores of all completed races shall stand for the purposes of determining the seeding or 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.

- 13.3. Hearings related to NOR 13 will be held in accordance with the recommendations of Appendix M6 of the RRS. The officers for hearing a violation will consist of the Chief Judge, acting as chairman of the hearing, the Protest Committee and a Chairperson of the Texas Sailing Association Youth Circuit or his or her designee in the event he or she is not present. The regatta chair shall serve ex officio as a nonvoting member of the panel and will have an open right to express his or her views during the hearing process.

14. PRIZES

- 14.1. Trophy presentations will be held on Friday afternoon approximately 1 hour after the fleets reach Houston Yacht Club or after all protest hearings have been heard.
- 14.2. Fleets with 5 boats will be awarded 2 places. Fleets with 10 boats will be award 3 places. Fleets with 15 boats will be awarded 4 places, fleets with 20+ will be awarded 5 places.

15. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 15.1. For further information please contact Shannon Galway at (832) 641-7248 or s.galway@fng.com.