

International Optimist Regatta

June 17-19, 2016

St. Thomas Yacht Club-Cowpet Bay, St. Thomas, VI

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 No national authority prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3 IODA Rules will apply. Classes will be determined by age as per the USODA Rules. Fleets will be Red, Blue, White and Green.
- 1.4 Appendix P will be used.

2 ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Optimist class.
- 3.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the on-line registration process.
- 3.3 The OA reserves the right to limit the number of entries to 120 skippers.

4 FEES

Required fees are as follows:

International Optimist Regatta	Registration Fee:	\$225
	Early discount before April 15 th :	\$185
	Late registration after May 15 th :	\$250

5 SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Schedule of events:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Time</u>
June 16, 2016	Registration	1200-1700
June 17, 2016	Racing	Mandatory Skippers meeting at 0830, 1 st warning signal at 1030
June 18, 2016	Racing	1 st warning signal at 1000
June 19, 2016	Racing	1 st warning signal at 0930

5.2 Number of races:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Races per day</u>
Optimist	Red, blue and white fleet	Up to 5
Optimist	Green fleet	Not limited

6 MEASUREMENTS

Each boat entered shall be an IOD 95.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available during registration on June 16th at St. Thomas Yacht Club. The Sailing Instructions will also be available on-line prior to the event.

8 VENUE

8.1 St. Thomas Yacht Club at Cowpet Bay and surrounding waters.

9 THE COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be as follows: Modified Trapezoid or Windward / Leeward. If conditions warrant, the courses will be modified to accommodate the appropriate wind conditions. Green fleet will receive their course at the skipper's meeting each morning.

10 PENALTY SYSTEM

10.1 For Green Fleet sailors, rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

10.2 Decisions of the jury will be final as provided in rule 70.5.

11 SCORING

11.1 One completed race constitutes a series.

11.2 (a) When less than six races have been completed; a boat's series score will be the total of all of her race scores.

(b) When six or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

12 SUPPORT/SAFETY/COACH BOATS

There will be a mandatory meeting for all non-race committee boats on June 17, 2016 at 0800. Failure to attend could be reflected in your sailor/team results. All non-race committee boats shall be marked with a colored flag.

13 PRIZES

Trophies will be awarded to the top five in the Red, Blue and White classes and top three overall as well as the top place female. Participation awards will be awarded to all green fleet sailors. Additional awards include the Peter Ives' Perpetual Trophy (superb sailor/individual) and the Chuck Fuller Sportsmanship Perpetual Trophy.

14 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely 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.

15 CONTACT INFORMATION

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