

NOTICE OF RACE

CLUB 420 YOUTH NATIONAL TEAM RACE REGATTA

Qualifier for the Under 21 USA Team to the 2007 ISAF Team Racing World Championship

August 14 - 16, 2007

**Hosted By
The Pacific Coast Sailing Foundation
At the
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1. RULES

The regatta will be governed by the revised 2005-2008 Racing Rules of Sailing, including Appendix D, the prescriptions of US SAILING, this Notice of Race, and the Sailing Instructions.

2. ELIGIBILITY

2.1 All sailors must be nationals of the USA and members of USSAILING and the Club 420 Class Association.

2.2 All sailors must be under 21 years of age on December 31, 2007 (i.e., born 1987 or later).

2.3 All sailors shall meet the ISAF eligibility requirements stated in ISAF Regulation 19 (http://www.sailing.org/regulations/2006_partIV.pdf).

2.4 A team is comprised of 6 people. No substitutions will be allowed except with the permission of the Organizing Authority for emergency purposes. Teams must be accompanied by a designated adult Team-Leader Chaperone, who may be an advisor, coach, parent or designated adult team member.

3. ENTRY AND COMMUNICATIONS

3.1 Eligible teams must enter by submitting an official entry form along with the entry fee to the US Sailing Center - Long Beach, CA prior to August 6, 2007. The entry fee must be included with the entry form. Please postmark by August 1, 2007 and fax a copy (562-433-3668) if mailing after August 1, 2007. Early Entry would be appreciated.

4. ENTRY FEE

There will be an entry fee of \$240.00 per team. M/C, Visa or Checks Payable to PCSF

5. BOATS

5.1 Each team must provide one class legal Club 420 to be sailed in the event rotation. Teams from outside of California may request a "hardship" exemption from this requirement. Please email mikesego@ussclb.org if you need such an exemption. All boats will be sailed without spinnakers and trapeze.

5.2 The host will provide 6 Club 420's. All Sails will be provided by the Host. Provided CFJ's and sails may also be used to facilitate the regatta at the discretion of the host.

6. BOAT DAMAGE

All teams are responsible for damage caused while, rigging, sailing, launching, rotating and or otherwise using the provided and borrowed boats.

7. SCHEDULE

Tuesday, August 14, 2007

0900 - 1100 Last minute Registration and Rigging at USSC-LB.
1100 Competitors Meeting – MANDATORY
1200 Dock Departure
1300 First Warning. Racing will continue throughout the day.
No lunch break - eat before racing or during boat rotation
1830 BBQ Dinner at USSC-LB

Wednesday, August 15, 2007

0800 - 0900 Continental Breakfast at USSC-LB and rigging boats
0915 Sailor's Meeting - MANDATORY.
1000 Dock Departure
1100 First Warning. Racing will continue throughout the day.
No lunch break - eat during boat rotation
1830 After race snacks - Free Evening.

Thursday, August 16, 2007

0800 - 0900 Continental Breakfast at USSC-LB and rigging boats
0915 Sailor's Meeting - MANDATORY.
1000 Dock Departure
1100 First Warning. Racing will continue throughout the day.
No lunch break - eat during boat rotation
1600 No race will be started after this time, with the exception of a sail-off, if needed.
1700 After race snack and Trophy Presentation.
All times are approximate. Changes will be posted on the Notice Board.

8. RACING AREA

The racing area will be in the Long Beach Harbor near the Belmont Pier. Team members, coaches and spectators will be able to watch the racing from the Belmont Pier and rotations will be at the docks on the pier.

9. COURSES/FORMAT

Based on conditions, the Race Committee will determine the courses. Short college style courses will be used. Digital N and Triangle Windward Courses may be used. Format is conditional upon weather and number of entrants. The goal of the regatta is to select the "Under 21" team to represent the United States at the Worlds and to have a quality event enjoyed by all competitors.

10. SCORING/PRIZES

The regatta will be scored in accordance with Appendix D, except as modified by the sailing instructions. Prizes will be awarded to teams placing 1st, 2nd, and 3rd.

11. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available prior to the Competitor's Meeting on Tuesday August 14th.

12. COACHING

Team-leaders, chaperones, advisors, coaches and other support personnel shall not go afloat (except on the rotation dock) in the sailing area on August 14 through August 16, 2007 unless with the permission of the Race Committee. The penalty for failing to comply with this requirement may be the disqualification of all boats, competitors and teams associated with the infringing support personnel.

13. UMPIRING

When practicable, races will be umpired in accordance with Appendix D as modified by the Sailing Instructions. On the water umpiring will be used for the final rounds and as many races as practicable.

14. LIFE JACKETS

Every competitor shall wear a U.S. Coast Guard-approved Type III PFD at all times while on the water, except while actively adding or removing clothing. Competitors shall supply their own PFDs. PFDs shall be worn outside of all clothing (other than team identification bibs) (This changes rule 40 and the preamble of part 4).

15. WORLDS QUALIFIER:

The winner of this event will, subject to the provisions of this Notice of Race (including Section 17 hereof) and the related sailing instructions, qualify as the "Under 21" team to represent the United States at the 2007 ISAF Team Racing World Championship (the "Worlds") to be held September 23-29, 2007 at Real Club Nautico Gandia, Valencia, Spain. (Notice of Race and additional information available at: <http://www.rcngandia.com/microsite/wtr.htm>).

The winning team will need to promptly notify the US Sailing Team Racing Committee (senet.bischoff@gmail.com) whether or not they will commit to attend the Worlds. In the event that a team qualifying for the Worlds does not meet the eligibility requirements or does not chose to participate in the Worlds, the next highest placing team shall be invited to compete in the Worlds.

WORLDS TEAM REQUIREMENTS:

At least **two skippers** and **two crew** sailing from any qualifying team are required to represent that team at the Worlds, or the next highest placing team shall be invited to compete in the Worlds.

The Worlds NOR requires each team to include a minimum of **one** female competitor.

All sailors representing the US at the Worlds must be US nationals.

The minimum total crew weight at the Worlds (of helm and crew) shall be 130 kg.

All sailors in the Worlds must be over 15 years of age on December 31, 2007 (i.e., born 1992 or earlier).]

We note that the Worlds NOR requires teams to consist of six competitors, and substitutions will not be allowed at that event.

See http://www.rcngandia.com/microsite/wtr_files/trnor2007.pdf for the Worlds NOR.

16. CODE OF CONDUCT

No boat shall discharge trash of any kind into the water. The penalty, if any, for a breach of this Sailing Instruction, is at the discretion of the Race Committee.

The legal drinking age in the State of California is 21. Violations of law will not be tolerated, will be communicated to the appropriate authorities as well as US Sailing. Violations of law will also result in the immediate disqualification of the entire team at issue from the event.

17. OFFICIAL NOTICE FOR ALL CLUB 420 TEAM RACE PARTICIPANTS:

No contestant shall use, either on or off the water, alcoholic beverages (beer, wine, distilled spirits), or use any controlled substance (marijuana, cocaine, etc.), the possession of which is unlawful. Infringements of this regulation and/or other discipline expectations occurring during August 13 through 17, 2007 may be the basis for disciplinary action. Discipline problems and this regulation's enforcement will be handled promptly by an adult Discipline Hearing Board. Said Board shall, at a time and method selected by them, meet to hear said problem and their decision to impose scoring penalties, or other sanctions they alone deem appropriate, including summary removal from the entire regatta and surrender of their team's qualification (not just for that team member, but for their entire team) for the Worlds, shall be final without appeal permitted.

18. HOUSING

Teams are responsible for their own housing. A list of hotels in the area is attached.

19. FOOD

Continental breakfasts each day, snacks after racing and Barbeque Dinner on Tuesday are included with the entry fee for each competitor. Additional dinner tickets for non-competitors will be available for \$12.

20. TRAVEL AND TRANSPORTATION

John Wayne/Santa Ana/Orange County (SNA) Airport is approximately 30 minutes away and the most convenient and easiest airport to use. Los Angeles (LAX) Airport is approximately 40 minutes away, has more flights and is sometimes less expensive, but freeway traffic is an issue. Long Beach Airport is less than 15 minutes away but has limited flight availability.

A car for transportation around Southern California is highly recommended.

21. REGATTA CONTACT

Regatta Chairman

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22. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For directions, maps of the area, and additional information on the US Sailing Center - Long Beach, CA please visit our website at www.ussclb.org . For other questions or information contact:

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