



Chubb U.S. Junior Sailing Championships

Area E Finals for the  
The U.S. Junior Triplehanded Championship for the Sears Cup  
The U.S. Junior Doublehanded Championship for the Bemis Trophy  
The U.S. Junior Singlehanded Championship for the Smythe Trophy

Organized by US SAILING Area E

Hosted by Crescent Sail Yacht Club  
July 25-27, 2010

**NOTICE OF RACE**

June 21, 2010

**1 RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, and the Prescriptions of US SAILING.
- 1.2 The following documents shall apply:
  - 1.2.1 US SAILING Regulation 10.
  - 1.2.2 The Conditions for the United States Junior Sailing Championships.
  - 1.2.3 The US SAILING Championship Support Vessel Policy.  
[http://championships.ussailing.org/Youth/Coaching\\_and\\_Support\\_Vessels.htm](http://championships.ussailing.org/Youth/Coaching_and_Support_Vessels.htm)
  - 1.2.4 ISAF Regulation 19.
- 1.3 These Championships are not being conducted as a sanctioned or class association event. Only the Equipment Measurement Rules for the Lightning, C420 and Laser classes will apply. However, US SAILING encourages sailors to join the Lightning, C420 and Laser class Associations to support their efforts.
- 1.4 Racing rules will be changed as follows:

RRS 29.1 and RRS 30.1 are changed to permit the hailing of recall numbers. The failure of any boat to hear the hail, an untimely hail of OCS boats, failure to hail any boats, and the order of the boats in the hail shall not be grounds for granting redress.

RRS 40 is changed so that competitors shall wear a US Coast Guard (USCG) approved Type III or V Personal Floatation Device (PFD), inherently buoyant (i.e. not inflatable) while on the water, except for brief periods while changing clothing.

RRS 60.1(a) is changed to prohibit a boat from protesting another boat for an alleged breach of any class rule other than class equipment measurement rules.

RRS 60.3 is changed to permit the protest committee to protest a boat when, from its own observation or a report received from any source, it believes a competitor may have committed a breach of good manners, or sportsmanship, or may have brought the sport or the event into disrepute. A protest committee may call representatives from the Organizing Authority and/or Regatta Committee as witnesses.

RRS 61.1(a) is changed so that “A boat intending to protest about an incident that occurs in the racing area shall notify the race committee finish boat of her intention as soon as possible after finishing, including the boat identification number of the boat(s) being protested.”

RRS 64.1 is changed to allow penalties imposed by the Protest Committee, for hearings held under RRS 60.3, as changed, which may range from a reprimand to a dismissal from the regatta.

RRS 77 is changed such that a boat is not required to display national letters; however, competitors may be required to apply recall numbers to their boat or sail.

When Borrowed Boats are provided for the competitors in a series, the Breakdown Procedure of Appendix D5 shall be utilized. Appendix D5.1 is changed to substitute a yellow flag for signalling a breakdown on the boat.

These changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.

## **2 ADVERTISING**

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

## **3 DISCIPLINES**

- 3.1 The regatta shall include the following disciplines utilizing the following class compliant equipment:

Singlehanded Dinghy	--	Laser
Doublehanded Dinghy	--	Club 420 with Spinnaker and Trapeze
Triplehanded	--	Lightning with Spinnaker

## **4 ELIGIBILITY**

- 4.1 Competitors must have reached their 13<sup>th</sup> birthday but not their 19<sup>th</sup> birthday during the calendar year in which the event is held.
- 4.2 Competitors must be individual or family members of US SAILING at the time of their respective first qualification event.
- 4.3 The helm must be a member of a Local Sailing Organization (LSO)\* that is a member of its Regional Sailing Association (RSA) and US SAILING.  
For the Doublehanded and Triplehanded Championships other crew member(s) must be members of a LSO within the same RSA as the helm.
- 4.4 All the members of a crew shall reside in or regularly compete in the same RSA where the club is geographically located.
- 4.5 An Alternate is named on the entry form at the first level of competition, and may not be changed in the competitive year.

*\*An LSO is defined to include a yacht club, sailing club, community sailing program or other sailing organization*

## **5 QUALIFICATION**

- 5.1 Each Area, as defined by US SAILING, may qualify one (1) team for the Triplehanded discipline and two (2) teams for both the Singlehanded and Doublehanded disciplines.
- 5.2 A Team is defined as all contestants listed on the entry form for a specific LSO, except the alternate.

- 5.3 The skipper must remain the same throughout the series of qualifying events within and through his/her Area Qualifying event and including the National Championship. If the skipper is unable to continue, then the runner-up team will be named to replace the winning team.
- 5.4 A crew member may be substituted for with the named Alternate, with the approval of the Protest Committee, or if between events, by the next-level Protest Committee. Once so named, the alternate shall compete as a named member of the team for the rest of the competitive year. An alternate, once used, may not be replaced or substituted for, without the written permission of the next level Protest Committee prior to the event.

## **6 REGISTRATION and ENTRY**

- 6.1 Registration may only be made by completing the online forms at:  
[http://championships.ussailing.org/Youth/ChubbJrChampionships/AreaElims\\_NOR.htm](http://championships.ussailing.org/Youth/ChubbJrChampionships/AreaElims_NOR.htm) (the "Event Website"). Enter where it says Area E, online registration.
- 6.2 Registrations shall be submitted on-line no later than midnight (EDT), July 23, 2010.
- 6.3 If requested by the Organizing Authority, an applicant shall send a copy of his or her birth certificate or passport to complete the application.
- 6.4 The entry fee is \$100 per competitor, which includes coaching, meals and entertainment.
- 6.5 The entry fee shall be paid by credit card on-line at the time of registration.
- 6.6 A completed entry is defined as all forms having been completed on-line and all appropriate entry forms having been received by the host club by July 23, 2010.
- 6.7 No refunds of the entry fee will be made after July 23, 2010.

## **7 BOATS**

- 7.1 This regatta is a "Bring Your Own Boat" regatta in race ready condition.
- 7.2 Smythe - bring your own Laser
- 7.3 Bemis – Bring your own C420 with Trapeze and Spinnaker
- 7.4 Sears – Bring your own Lightning with Spinnaker. If less than three teams register, this fleet will not be sailed.

## **8 SCHEDULE**

Day1, July 25, 2010	Registration and practice race
Day 2, July 26, 2010	Harbour gun 0900
Day 3, July 27, 2010-06-21	Harbour gun 0900 No race will start after 1530 Awards immediately following racing Departure

## **9 MEASUREMENT**

Each boat shall comply with the equipment measurement rules of its class and may be inspected for compliance at any time during the regatta at the discretion of the Protest Committee.

**10 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The sailing instructions will be available at registration.

**11 VENUE**

The regatta will be sailed just outside of the harbour of CSYC on Lake St. Clair.

**12 PENALTY SYSTEMS**

12.1 Appendix P – Special Procedures for Rule 42 will apply.

**13 SCORING**

13.1 The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply.

13.2 Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

13.3 (a) When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b) When five (5) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

**14 SUPPORT & SPECTATOR BOATS**

14.1 Spectator boats may be available via sign-up at the venue for Race Days.

**15 COACHING**

This is a Grade 2 Event as defined in the US SAILING Championship Support Vessel Policy.

15.1 Except as provided in the Policy specified above, instructors, coaches and other support personnel and family members shall not go afloat in the defined racing area at any time during the clinic or racing days, except in spectator boats as defined in NOR 14.1.

15.2 Outside contact with competitors is prohibited on clinic and racing days commencing with the competitor's arrival at the host club and shall continue until released by the Protest Committee on racing days.

15.3 Outside contact is defined as a parent, family member, spectator, or coach. Competitors shall not receive advice, instruction, or any type of outside assistance (other than that provided by US SAILING) including electronic communication devices while at the sailing venue during the clinic and racing days. It is the intent of this rule to prohibit contact between competitors and any person, who, in the opinion of the Protest Committee, is a coach, instructor or advisor.

15.4 The coaches provided by US SAILING will offer individual on-the-water instruction and group commentary/advice on land following each racing day. This coaching will be given to all competitors on an as equal basis as possible.

15.5 The Protest Committee may protest and disqualify a competitor for breaking the rules of NOR 15 from all races on the day of the infringement.

**16 PERSONAL FLOATATION DEVICES (PFD) AND PERSONAL EQUIPMENT**

16.1 Competitors shall wear a US Coast Guard (USCG) approved personal flotation device (PFD) while on the water other than for brief periods while adding or removing clothing. The PFD shall either be a USCG Type III or Type V device that depends 100% on foam for flotation. No modifications of the PFD are permitted. The PFD must be worn outside of all clothing except that a thin shirt may be worn over the PFD to prevent snagging.

- 16.2 The only gear, rigging, or equipment that a team may take aboard a boat shall be: magnetic card compass, flags, plastic bucket or bailer, normally equipped ditty-bag, personal effects, including PFDs and protective clothing. For the events using the C420, permission is granted to bring Fast-pins, and the competitors are required to bring their own trapeze harnesses.
- 16.3 Electronic fluxgate compasses and GPS devices of all varieties, styles and combinations are specifically banned.

## **17 PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES**

For Junior and Youth events or for junior or youth competitors in any US SAILING championship, no participant or competitor shall use, either on or off the water: marijuana or any other controlled substance (as defined in 21 U.S. Code 802) the possession of which is unlawful under 21 U.S. Code 841, or alcoholic beverages (distilled spirits, wine and beer, each as defined in chapter 51 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code and intended for beverage use).

An alleged breach of this requirement shall not be grounds for a protest. However, when the protest committee believes that a competitor may have breached the above requirement, it shall follow the process described in RRS 69.1, and a competitor found to have breached this requirement shall be excluded from the remaining races of the series and, where practicable, removed from the regatta venue and sent home. The competitor's boat shall be disqualified from all races of the series.

## **18 CONDUCT OF COMPETITORS**

- 18.1 All competitors are expected to maintain the highest levels of conduct throughout the entire event. Enforcement of discipline and conduct shall be conducted as per the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS 69.1) and the policies and procedures of US SAILING (Regulation 15.01).
- 18.2 The curfew of the competitors shall be 2200.
- 18.3 An alleged breach of this requirement shall not be grounds for a protest. However, when the protest committee believes that a competitor may have breached the above requirement, it shall follow the process described in racing rule 69.1, and a competitor found to have breached this requirement shall be excluded from the remaining races of the series and, where practicable, removed from the regatta venue and sent home. The competitor's boat shall be disqualified from all races of the series.

## **19 APPEALS**

- 19.1 Under rule 70.5(a), there shall be no appeal of the decision of a protest or request for redress. However, a decision following a hearing under rule 69.1(a) may be appealed.

E-mail and phone contact information for each boat entered and for the chairmen of the protest committee and the race committee shall be posted on the official notice board at all times during the event.

- 19.2 Rule 65.2 is changed as follows:

**65.2** A *party* to the hearing is entitled to receive the above information in writing, provided she asks for it in writing and hand-delivers her request to a member of the protest committee no later than the protest time limit on the last day of racing or one hour after being informed of the decision, whichever is later. The committee shall then, within two hours, hand-deliver the information to the *party*, including when relevant, a diagram of the incident prepared or endorsed by the committee.

- 19.3 Rule 66 is changed as follows:

### **66 REOPENING A HEARING**

- 66.1** A hearing may be reopened when the protest committee decides that it may have made a significant error, or when significant new evidence becomes available within a reasonable time.
- 66.2** The protest committee may reopen the hearing. A *party* to the hearing may ask for a reopening no later than one hour after being informed of the decision. When a hearing is reopened under rule 66.2, a majority of the members of the protest committee shall, if possible, be members of the original protest committee.
- 66.3** **Area Elimination Reopening**
- (a)** A *party* to a hearing of a *protest* or request for redress may request an Area Elimination Reopening. The request shall be in writing and include the significant error that the *party* believes the protest committee made or the nature of the significant new evidence that is available. The request shall be made no later than 24 hours after the hearing or 24 hours after the protest time limit on the last day of racing, whichever is later. The request, along with copies of the original *protest* or request for redress, the facts found, the decision of the protest committee, any new evidence that cannot be presented verbally, and e-mail and phone contact information for all *parties* to the hearing as well as the chairman of the protest committee, shall be sent by e-mail to the US SAILING Championships Director, [LizWalker@USSAILING.org](mailto:LizWalker@USSAILING.org), and the US SAILING Championships Chairman, [wrigs@earthlink.net](mailto:wrigs@earthlink.net).
  - (b)** The protest committee for an Area Elimination Reopening shall consist of the chairman of the original protest committee plus four certified judges appointed by US SAILING. A majority of the committee's members shall be Senior or International Judges. US SAILING will appoint its chairman.
  - (c)** An Area Elimination Reopening will be conducted by telephone conference call. The time and date for the conference call shall be established by the chairman as soon as practicably possible and no later than seven days after the request for reopening is e-mailed. The chairman will e-mail to the *parties* to the hearing the request for reopening, the facts found, the decision of the protest committee, the time and date of the hearing, the process for joining the call and any other relevant documents.

## **20 PRIZES**

- 20.1** The top two finishers in the Singlehanded and Doublehanded divisions and the top finisher in the Triplehanded division will qualify for the U.S. Junior Championships to be held in San Diego on August 15-19, 2010, hosted by the San Diego Association of Yacht Clubs.

## **21 FURTHER INFORMATION**

- 21.1** Event Chair is Loretta Rehe; [lorrehe@aol.com](mailto:lorrehe@aol.com) or 313- 938-9081
- 21.2** All official applications, notices, forms, lists and results will be posted at [http://championships.ussailing.org/Youth/ChubbJrChampionships/AreaElims\\_NOR.htm](http://championships.ussailing.org/Youth/ChubbJrChampionships/AreaElims_NOR.htm)
- 21.3** For further information on the finals, please contact US SAILING Championship Director, Liz Walker at US SAILING, Box 1260, Portsmouth, RI, 02871. (401) 683-0800, ext. 651, or [lizwalker@ussailing.org](mailto:lizwalker@ussailing.org).