



# 2018 Opti Heavy Weather Regatta

June 15-17, 2018

Organizing Authority (OA): St. Francis Yacht Club

## NOTICE OF RACE

### 1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined by the *Racing Rules of Sailing*, including Appendix U.
- 1.2. All competitors shall wear a PFD while on the water, other than brief periods while adding or removing clothing. The 'Y' flag will not be flown. This changes RRS 40 and the preamble to Part 4.
- 1.3. US Sailing Prescriptions 63.2 and 63.4 are deleted.

### 2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. The regatta is open to all Optimist boats whose skipper is a member in good standing with USODA.
- 2.2. Eligible boats may enter by submitting the entry form and paying the entry fee online [www.stfyc.com](http://www.stfyc.com), on or before 6/9/18 to avoid late fee penalties.
- 2.3. All entry fees are non-refundable on or after 6/10/18.
- 2.4. The entry fee includes a "make your own" lunch and post racing snacks for all days of racing.

Class	Early Entry Fee Received on or before 5/30/18	Entry Fee	Late Entry Fee! Received on or after 6/10/18
Optimist	\$135	\$145	\$170

### 3. SCHEDULE

- 3.1. All competitors are required to check-in at the regatta desk at StFYC during one of the scheduled times.
- 3.2. A maximum of four (4) races are scheduled per day.

	Thursday 6/14	Friday 6/15	Saturday 6/16	Sunday 6/17
Check-in	1200 - 1700	0800 - 1000	--	--
Green Fleet Competitors' Meeting	--	0845	0845	--
Green Fleet First warning signal	--	1000	1000	1000
Championship Fleet Competitors' Meeting	--	1000	1000	---
Championship Fleet First warning signal	--	1200	1200	1200
No warning signal after	--	--	--	1500

### 4. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available at or before the competitors' meeting and may also be available online [www.stfyc.com](http://www.stfyc.com).

### 5. RACING AREA

- 5.1. The Green Fleet race area will be between Fort Mason and the San Francisco Marina.
- 5.2. The intended race area for the Championship Fleet is directly north of the St. Francis clubhouse, however the race committee reserves the right to move the race area depending on wind conditions.

### 6. COURSES

The course may be a windward - leeward or any variation of a triangular or other course.

**7. SCORING**

- 7.1. One (1) race will constitute a series.
- 7.2. When six (6) or fewer races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 7.3. When from six (6) to ten (10) races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 7.4. When eleven (11) or more races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst two (2) scores.

**8. PRIZES**

- 8.1. Take home prizes will be awarded to the top finishers in each fleet.

**9. SAFETY [NP]**

- 9.1. All competitors will be issued a RFID wristband at check-in which they shall wear at all times while on the water.
- 9.2. All competitors shall scan their wristband prior to leaving the shore and immediately after returning from the water each race day.
- 9.3. All wristbands shall be returned immediately after racing on Sunday at the regatta desk near the StFYC regatta entrance.
- 9.4. The replacement cost for lost wrist bands will be \$5.00.

**10. SUPPORT BOATS**

- 10.1. A support boat is defined as any vessel in which an interested party (parties) resides while on the water and who has direct ties to a competitor or group of competitors.
- 10.2. Support boats shall register their boat at check-in and shall conspicuously display a numbered flag issued by StFYC at all times while on the water. A \$20USD deposit will be required for the numbered flag which will be refunded when the flag is returned at the end of the regatta.
- 10.3. Support boats shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished, or until the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 10.4. Support boats shall comply with any additional directions given by the OA, the race committee or Jury, to help a boat or competitor that is in danger while racing.
- 10.5. Support boats must carry a working VHF radio and shall monitor channel 69.

**11. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this race participate entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (OA, Ratings Authority, Race Committee, Protest Committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this race. By participating in this race, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

**12. RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS**

By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the organizing authority and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use, and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recordings, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.

**13. FURTHER INFORMATION**

Contact the StFYC Race Office: [racing@stfyc.com](mailto:racing@stfyc.com) / (415) 655-7756.

**## END ##**

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

**BOAT & TRAILER STORAGE AT STFYC**

- Overnight parking permits are required for trailers. Trailers permits must be purchased during the online entry process and can be picked up at the StFYC Race Office during check-in.
- Overnight parking for cars is not permitted by the City of San Francisco Parks & Recreation Department.
- All boats & trailers shall be stored at the direction of the StFYC Dockmaster or Race Office.