



# 2024 C420 US NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

August 5, 6 & 7, 2024

Organizing Authority (OA): Little Egg Harbor Yacht Club  
in conjunction with the Club 420 Association, Inc.

## NOTICE OF RACE

(amended and updated July 10, 2024)

### 1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined by the *Racing Rules of Sailing*, the prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association (US Sailing) and the rules and By-Laws of the Club 420 Association.
- 1.2. [The US Sailing prescriptions to RRS 63.1 and RRS 63.2 do not apply.](#)

### 2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. The regatta is open to boats meeting the requirements of the Club 420 class rules.
- 2.2. All competitors (both skipper and crew) must be current members of the Club 420 Association.
- 2.3. Individuals who will be twenty-three years or older in the calendar year are not eligible to compete in this regatta.
- 2.4. Registration will open for competitors at approximately 1200 Eastern Time on May 5, 2024. You may register by going to the following URL:

<https://theclubspot.com/register/regatta/r7bw6wf1a8/class>

- 2.5. **A late fee will go into effect on July 5<sup>th</sup> at 1200 Eastern Time.**
- 2.6. All competitors must sign a "Release of Liability" using the online waiver process located on the event website to participate in the regatta. Those competitors under the age of 18 must have their "Release of Liability" form signed by a parent or guardian. **The Waiver Process is provided electronically when registering through Clubspot. If possible when registering, enter all skipper and crew information to make this process easier for you and the OA.**
- 2.7. No registration will be considered complete until all fees, required forms and signatures are received.
- 2.8. **THIS REGATTA HAS A MAXIMUM OF 150 BOATS. COMPLETED REGISTRATIONS, including ALL fees paid, and waivers signed, WILL BE CONSIDERED REGISTERED. ~~The OA and the Club 420 Class may choose to expand or contract the regatta's size based on health and safety conditions. A decision on whether or not to expand beyond 150 boats will be made no later than July 5<sup>th</sup>.~~**

### 3. FEES

- 3.1. The entry fee per boat is \$325 if received on or before July 5<sup>th</sup> at 11:59am ET.
- 3.2. Entry fees are non-refundable on or after July 16<sup>th</sup> at 9pm.
- 3.3. All refunds are subject to a reasonable administrative fee that covers the OA's non-refundable credit card, administrative, and electronic waiver fees.
- 3.4. A late fee of \$50 will be assessed for any entries received on or after July 5<sup>th</sup> at Noon ET.
- 3.5. The entry fee includes at a minimum, snacks after racing and during awards and a regatta memorabilia (t-shirt or equivalent).

### 4. SCHEDULE

4.1. DATE	TIME	EVENT
Sunday, August 4	15:00-18:00	Check in
Monday, August 5	08:00-08:45	Late Check in <del>(by appointment only please)</del>
	09:15	Coaches Briefing
	09:30	Competitors' Meeting
	10:00	Harbor Start
	11:00	First Warning
Tuesday, August 6	09:15	Coaches Briefing
	09:30	Harbor Start
	10:30	First Warning
Wednesday, August 7	09:00	Coaches Briefing

09:30	Harbor Start
10:30	First Warning
15:00	No warning after this time

4.3 [1612](#) races are scheduled.

~~4.4. The race committee may run up to four races per day provided that they do not get more than one race ahead of schedule.~~

## 5. MEASUREMENT

- 5.1. Every skipper must complete and submit a signed Inspection form found here: [Inspection Checklist](#) prior to participation in the regatta at check-in. A limited number of these forms will also be available at the check-in desk.
- 5.2. All boats are subject to safety inspection at any time during the regatta.

## 6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The **sailing instructions** will be available **on the Clubspot event website only** and posted on the Official Notice Board.

## 7. VENUE

- 7.1. The intended racing area will be located in the area known as the “middle grounds” which is a sailing area West of Little Egg Harbor Yacht Club and East of Tuckerton, NJ.

## 8. COURSES

A Trapezoid course will be run and will be published in the Sailing Instructions.

## 9. SCORING

- 9.1. The Low-Point Scoring System, RRS Appendix A, will be used.
- 9.2. One race must be completed to constitute a regatta. If the fleet is split into divisions, a race consists of all divisions completing a course with results that may be scored. This changes A2.
- 9.3. If more than 70 boats are registered, the fleet may be divided into divisions.
- 9.4. When fewer than three races are completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores. This changes RRS A2.
- 9.5. When three or more races are completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. This changes RRS A2.
- 9.6. If the Fleet is divided into divisions, there will be a Qualifying Round and a Championship Round attempted. If fewer than three races have been completed before the start of competition on the last race day, then the regatta will remain in the Qualifying Round format. If three or more races have been completed in the Qualifying Round before the start of the last day, there will be a Championship Round.
- 9.7. Scores from the Qualifying Round will carry forward into the Championship Round.

## 10. SAFETY

- 10.1. All competitors, parents, spectators and coaches will be required to follow all local, country, state and federal regulations regarding health and safety. Additionally, the OA and the Club 420 Association may choose to impose additional regulations at their discretion. The additional regulations will be posted in the form of an amendment to the NOR on Clubspot.
- 10.2. Parents/guardians/or competitors 18 or over at the time of the start of the event are responsible for the safety of the competitors. It is the responsibility solely of the parent(s) of the competitors, or in the instance of the competitor who is 18 or over, the competitor, to decide if the competitor should sail in the weather and sea conditions that might arise during the event. Parents of competitors under 18 not personally attending any part of the event must ensure that another adult is authorized and designated to make these decisions for their child.
- 10.3. Per RRS 40.1, all competitors shall wear either a US Coast Guard approved PFD, or a PFD approved by the country of the citizenship or residence, properly secured at all times, from dock to dock except when temporarily adding or removing clothing. Wet suits, dry suits and inflatable PFD’s do not constitute adequate personal buoyancy. The ‘Y’ flag will not be flown

## 11. COACH BOATS

- 11.1. All coach Boats must register before racing begins and must always prominently fly a designated flag provided by the OA while on the water.
- 11.2. All coach boats are required to register online through Clubspot and pay a ~~\$0.50~~1.00 fee for a support boat flag. Failure to return the flag at the end of the regatta will result in a \$30 charge on the credit card on file.
- 11.3. All coach boats are considered safety boats and at the direction of the OA or race committee and will render aid if requested.

## 12. PRIZES

~~12.1.~~ Prizes will be awarded ~~to first place through 10<sup>th</sup> place in Gold Fleet, and first place through 3<sup>rd</sup> place in~~ as follows:  
Top ten (10) for the Gold fleet  
Top three (3) Female  
Top three (3) for Silver and Bronze (if applicable) fleet

~~12.2.~~ The top placing Junior team in which both skipper and crew are **under 16** throughout 2024.

## 13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this regatta participate entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (OA, Ratings Authority, Race Committee, Protest Committee, Little Egg Harbor Yacht Club, sponsors, volunteers, the Club 420 Association 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 regatta, 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.

## 14. OTHER REQUIREMENTS

- 14.1. If a competitor under the age of 18 is not accompanied by a parent or legal guardian during all activities of the regatta, then the parent or legal guardian shall name a "Designated Adult" of 18 years or older, through entry in the online registration process and shall be present at all times in their absence and who will supervise the minor competitor at all times to assure his/her safety. This Designated Adult will accept full responsibility for all actions of the competitor during any activity related to the event. This includes onshore activities before, during, and after the regatta.
- 14.2. For each competitor under 18, it is the competitor's parents, legal guardian or Designated Adult's decision to enter the regatta and to start or continue any race. The adult(s) supervising the competitors are ultimately responsible for the risks.
- 14.3. A competitor age 18 or older retains all responsibilities for himself or herself.
- 14.4. No contestant shall use, either on or off the water, alcoholic beverages (beer, wine or distilled spirits) or use any controlled substance (marijuana, cocaine, etc.) the possession of which is unlawful. This prohibition is in effect during the entire event, from date and time of arrival through date and time of departure from the Little Egg Harbor Yacht Club. Penalties for a violation of the prohibition may range from a reprimand to dismissal from the regatta. A hearing may be held in accordance with the RRS.

## 15. FURTHER INFORMATION

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