

Notice of Race/Sailing Instructions

Clearwater Green Fleet Open October 5,6 2024

Clearwater Community Sailing Center 1001 Gulf Blvd. 33767

Section 3.4 amended 9/5/204



1. RULES

- 1.1 The event shall be governed by the rules defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)
- 1.2 No national authority prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3 The class rules of the participating classes will apply as amended by the sailing instructions.

2. ELIGIBILITY and ENTRY

2.1 Classes eligible for entry include Optimist Green

3. FEES

- 3.1 The entry fee for competitors is \$100 if received by 23:59 Est September 29th.
- 3.2 After 23:59 September 29th a \$5 late fee will be added.
- 3.3 Fee includes racing, awards, continental breakfast, grab and go on the water snacks, and a t shirt
- 3.4 Harken Blockhead club membership is required to receive the t shirt. Registration is free https://harkenblockheads.com/join.php

4. SCHEDULE

Saturday October 5th Sunday October 6th

0800-0930 Check In 0900 competitors meeting on main deck

0930 Competitors meeting on main deck 0945 first possible warning signal

1015 First Possible warning signal 1400 last possible warning signal

Awards following racing

5. Format

Saturday will be normal course racing around a triangle windward leeward. If races are scored Saturday and weather allows Sunday morning will start with a 'Clearwater Challenge' round the islands race. The Clearwater Challenge race will be scored as two course races.

6. Measurement

It is the responsibility of each competitor that his/her equipment conforms to the IODA class rules.

7. Racing Area

Green Fleet racing will be held in Clearwater Harbor East of Clearwater Community Sailing Center.

8. Notices to Competitors

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board in the main entryway.

9. Changes to the Notice of Race/Sailing Instructions

Any changes to the Notice of Race/Sailing Instructions will be posted no later than 60 minutes before the first warning signal for the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of racing will be posted no later than 2100 the night before it will take effect.

10. Signals Made Ashore

- 10.1 All signals made ashore will be displayed on the official flag pole in the center of CCSC boat park.
- 10.2 When Flag AP is displayed ashore '1 minute' is replaced by 'not less than 20 minutes' in race signal AP.

11. Class Flags

Green fleet class flag will be a green flag with green flames.

12. Courses

Green fleet will sail a triangle windward leeward course as described in Appendix A for all course races. For the marathon race, course CC will be used and is described in Appendix B.

13. Marks

Mark 1,3 will be an orange tetrahedron, Mark 2 will be a green tetrahedron, Start/finish pin will be a yellow cylinder

14. The Start

14.1 All races will be started as follows using a modified Appendix U start

Minutes before	Visual Signal	Sound signal
starting signal		
3	Class flag up	3 long
2	Prep flag up	2 long
1:30		1 long three short
1:00	Prep flag down	1 long
:30		3 short
:20		2 short
:10		1 short
:5,4,3,2,1,		5 short
0	Class flag down	One long

14.2 The start line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag and a yellow cylinder.

15. The Finish

15.1 The finish line is between a staff displaying a blue flag and a yellow cylinder.

16. Time limits

- 16.1 For Course T: The race time limit will be 40 minutes, and the finishing window will be 20 minutes.
- 16.2 For Course CC (marathon race): The race time limit will be 1 hour, and the finishing window will be 20 minutes

17. SCORING

- 17.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 17.2 When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 17.3 When 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

18. Prizes

Awards shall be given to the overall top 5.

19. Safety/Check out System

- 19.1 Sailors shall check out before they enter the water by putting their organizer supplied lanyard on the 'on the water board'.
- 19.2 Sailors shall check back in as soon as possible upon returning to shore by removing their lanyard from the 'on the water board'.
- 19.3 A US Coast Guard approved PFD shall be worn by all competitors and coaches.

20. Support Teams

- 20.1 Coaches are expected to be good role models for young sailors and conduct themselves accordingly ashore and on the water.
- 20.2 All support boat helmsman shall wear a kill cord at all times while operating their vessel. Violation of this may be grounds for expulsion from the event.
- 20.3 Coaching the back half of green fleet is encouraged.
- 20.4 Non coaching support vessels shall stay out of the racing area.

21. RISK STATEMENT

21.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia, or other causes.

21.2 The organizing authority including the sponsors, the race committee, the officers, directors, employees and members of the Clearwater Community Sailing Center and all those involved in these organizations will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the event. An online waiver shall be signed by all competitors and their parent/guardian.

22. Contact for information

- 22.1 Regatta Chair Mateo Rodriguez mateo18295@gmail.com
- 22.2 PRO Justin Ahearn opticcsc@gmail.com
- 22.3 Front office 727 517 7776

Appendix A







Course

Rounding Order

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start - 1 - 2 - 3 - Finish

Appendix B



Course CC

Rounding order: Start, sandy foot island to the East, one tree island to the east, finish