



Vineyard Haven Yacht Club

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2024 420 Junior Regatta NOTICE OF RACE

1. Rules:

This regatta will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2021-2024 (RRS), . The Organizing Authority is Vineyard Haven Yacht Club (VHYC). The regatta will be hosted by the Vineyard Haven Yacht Club (VHYC).

2. Eligibility and Entry:

- a. Regatta is open to all eligible boats of the following class: Club 420
- b. Boats may be [entered](#) in this regatta by completing an application with the Vineyard Haven Yacht Club by Wednesday, July 17, 2023 at 1000. (see Fees below)
- c. Applications will only be accepted and paid for online at regattanetwork.com
- d. Competitors shall not reach their 19th birthday during calendar year 2024.
- e. Competitors must be current members of SMSA.
- f. No registration will be considered complete until all fees are received.
- g. No registration will be considered complete until each boat performs the **Mandatory Check-in**
- h. All competitors will be required to wear a U.S. Coast Guard approved Type I, II or III non-inflatable life Jacket while on the water. This changes RRS 40.1

3. **Housing:** Housing will **not** be available for the 2024 event.

4. Fees:

- a. The entry fee for the Club 420 Class will be **\$200** per boat.
- b. A late fee of **\$50.00** per sailor will be charged for C420 and Opti registrations received after 1200, Wednesday, **July 10, 2024**.
- c. Full refunds, less the Regatta Network service fees, will be given for participants who withdraw at least three days prior to the start of their races. 50% refunds will be given for withdrawing prior to the first day of their races. No refunds will be given for withdrawing after the scheduled start of racing on the first day of the regatta.

5. Schedule:

Thursday, July 18	Friday, July 19
0700 Registration & Check-in	
1000 Registration & Check-in ends	
1030 Skipper's Meeting	
1100 Harbor Start	1100 Harbor Start
1130 Warning Signal	1130 Warning Signal
Dinner Following Sailing at VHYC	1700 Last race must be started before
	Promptly after Racing: Awards

6. Registration:

Mandatory on site Check-In will be held at the Vineyard Haven Yacht Club on Wednesday July 17th, from 0700 – 1000 for all entered sailors to complete registration and obtain sailing instructions (as applicable).

7. **Venue:**
Vineyard Haven Harbor
8. **Sailing Instructions:**
Sailing Instructions will be available at Check-In.
9. **Courses:**
The courses will be detailed in the Sailing Instructions.
10. **Scoring:**
The Low Point Scoring System of RRS Appendix A, as changed in this paragraph, will be used. Three races shall be completed to constitute a series. If fewer than five races are completed, there will be no discard. There will be one discard for every 5 races completed. This changes RRS A2.1
11. **Coach/Supervisor:**
A club bringing three or more boats must bring an adult coach/supervisor.
12. **Berthing:**
Boats shall be kept in their assigned places at the venue.
13. **Radio Communication:**
A boat shall neither make nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to cellular telephones.
14. **Support Boats:**
Support boats will be allowed but with restrictions, which will be outlined at the Skipper's Meeting. A club bringing more than five boats must provide a support boat and driver to assist the **Race Committee** as needed.
15. **Prizes:**
Prizes will be awarded to the teams finishing first through third.
16. **Green Regatta:**
VHYC is trying to do its part to promote an environmentally sound sailing program. Please plan to bring reusable water bottles. Water fill stations will be available during the regatta in several locations on shore and on the water. This will include the committee boat, lunch boat and coach boats.

Lunches will NOT contain single use water bottles.
17. **Disclaimer of Liability:**
Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.
18. **Further Information:**
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