



**NOTICE OF RACE**  
**Manchester Sailing Assoc.**  
**Optimist and 420**  
***Green Fleet Regatta For First Time Racers***  
**July 6, 2017**

*The organizing authority is the Manchester Sailing Association in conjunction with the Manchester Yacht Club*

**1. Rules**

The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the Optimist Class rules, the Club 420 Class rules, and this Notice of Race, except in the event that any of the above are modified by the Sailing Instructions and the appendices to the Sailing Instructions.

**2. Changes to the Racing Rules**

2.1 RRS 40 (Personal Buoyancy) will be changed by adding: "Competitors must wear a Coast Guard approved PFD at all times when on the water."

**2.2 Coaching: Green Fleet Policies apply-Coaching will be allowed in the bottom half of the fleet during any given race.** Coaching is MORE than permitted. It is requested, required, and it is a great way to help these new sailors learn.

**3. Eligibility**

3.1 The Regatta is open to:

3.1a All boats of the International Optimist Dinghy Class which conform to IODA Class Rules. All competitors must be members of the US Optimist Dinghy Association.

3.1b All boats of the Club 420 Dinghy Class which conform to Club 420 Class Rules.

3.2 Green Fleet Policies apply.

3.3 Racers who participated in Green Fleet regattas during the previous sailing season are *not* eligible.

**4. Classes**

4.1 Optimist (Green Fleet Only)-Competitors must bring their own boats and are encouraged to bring their own dollies if they travel to tucks Point by land.

4.2 Club 420 (Green Fleet Only)-Competitors must bring their own boats and are encouraged to bring their own dollies if they travel to tucks Point by land.

4.2a The Club 420 Green fleet will use spinnakers, weather permitting. The race committee may specify no spinnakers based on sailing conditions.

**5. Fees**

5.1 The entry fee is \$38 per sailor.

5.2 There will be no refunds.

**6. Schedule –will be weather and tide dependent:**

**900-10:00 Arrival & Check-in**

**1030 Skippers Meeting, SNACK to follow on shore**

**1130 Launch/Harbor Start**

**1500 No races begun after**

**1530 LUNCH and Awards**

**7. Entry Deadlines**

7.1 All skippers must complete the on-line regatta entry form (including the Emergency Medical Form for each participant) and submit it with appropriate fees by **June 29th, 2016 or receive oral permission for late entry by calling 339.205.5824.**

7.2 **No more than 35 boats will be accepted.**

**8. Check -In and Registration**

8.1 Check-in will be held at the Manchester Yacht Club on July 6th from 9:00 -10:00.

8.2 Registration deadline is 10:00 am on June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2016

8.3 All competitors must check in to be scored.

8.4 **ABSOLUTELY NO BOATS** may be dropped off before 8:30 a.m. on July 6, 2016.

**9. Skipper's Meeting**

9.1 The skipper's meeting will be held at 10:30 on July 6 at Tuck's Point lawn.

**10. Prizes**

10.1 Regatta awards will be given for first through fifth place.

**11. Sailing Instructions**

11.1 Sailing instructions will be available at check-in.

**12. Courses**

12.1 Courses will be described in the sailing instructions.

**13. Scoring**

13.1 The Low -Point System will apply.

13.2 Two races shall constitute a regatta.

13.3 If five or more races are completed a boat may exclude the worst score.

13.4 Special scoring may apply to championships.

**14. Information**

Call the MSA Office at 978-526-8345; Todd Cooper at **339.205.5824**; or visit the MSA web site at [www.manchestersailing.org](http://www.manchestersailing.org)

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