



**2019 MIDDLE ATLANTIC
MIDGET CHAMPIONSHIP**
Hosted by Westhampton Yacht Squadron
Remsenburg, NY 11960



Saturday-Sunday, August 17-18, 2019

NOTICE OF RACE

(posted June 10, 2019)

1. RULES

- 1.1. The races will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2017-2020 including US Sailing Prescriptions (RRS), rules of the Club 420 Class Association, rules of the Optimist Dinghy Association, except as changed by the Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. The regatta is open to competitors who are members of a club or member program of one of the following Yacht Racing or Sailing Associations (who organize this event according to the following rotation schedule):

2019 Great South Bay YRA
2020 YRA of Long Island Sound
2021 Eastern Long Island SA
2022 Middle Atlantic YRA
2023 North Jersey YRA
2024 Barnegat Bay YRA
2025 Eastern Connecticut SA
2026 Chesapeake Bay YRA

- 2.2. Each Association may enter two boats in the double-handed championship and two boats in the single-handed championship. The host club may enter one additional midget team in each division.
- 2.3. Vacancies from other Associations may be filled with midget eligible teams. First right to these spots go to the host club, then the host association, finally the other organizing associations in order of who last hosted the event.
- 2.4. Open vacancies will be announced after the registration deadline has passed.
- 2.5. Sailors are eligible to compete if they are 15 years or younger on both days of the event.
- 2.6. Both crew members of the double-handed boats must be members of the same club or member program.
- 2.7. The helmsperson named on the entry shall continue as helmsperson for the series.

3. ENTRY FEE AND REGISTRATION

- 3.1. Registration must be complete by Friday, August 9 in order to determine and fill any vacancies. Entry fees are \$50.00 per single-handed boat and \$100.00 per double-handed boat and includes the continental breakfasts, bag lunches on water and a Saturday afternoon BBQ. Payment should be made when registering using www.regattanetwork.com/event/19128.
- 3.2. Late registrations will be accepted at check-in on August 17 for those competitors filling vacancies.

4. CLASSES:

- 4.1. The single-handed Championships shall be sailed on Optimists provided by and sailed by the competitors.
- 4.2. The double-handed Championship shall be sailed in Club 420's with spinnaker and trapeze provided by and sailed by the competitors.

5. SCHEDULE

Friday, August 16th

Boat drop-off, if desired.

Saturday, August 17th

Registration/Check-in	0800-0945
Skippers Meeting	1000
Warning Signal, 1 st Race	1100-No race started after 1500.

Sunday, August 18th

Skippers' Meeting	0900
Warning Signal, 1 st Race	1000-No race started after 1400.

A continental breakfast will be served each day starting at 0800. Lunch each day will be on the water between races. A BBQ will be offered at the end of the race say on Saturday. Awards will be presented after racing on Sunday.

Termination of the regatta due to wind, weather, or other conditions shall be determined by the Race Committee. The results will be based on races completed.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available during check-in and at the Skippers Meeting.

7. VENUE

The racing area will be in front of or to the west of the Westhampton Yacht Squadron club house.

8. SCORING

8.1. The Low-Point Scoring System of Appendix A will apply. There will be one (1) throw-out race for this regatta, unless the regatta consists of less than 6 races, in which case all races shall count. This modifies Appendix A2.

8.2. One completed race will constitute the series.

9. PRIZES

9.1. Prizes will be awarded to the top three finishers in each class (including crew in the double-handed class).

9.2. Perpetual trophies are held by the winners, who are responsible for their safe delivery to the regatta venue the following year. The Great South Bay Bowl will be awarded to the double-handed class winner. The Mergenthaler Trophy will be award to the single-handed winner.

10. RESPONSIBILITY FOR SAFETY

As a condition of the participation of any boat in any race or related activity sponsored or undertaken by the Westhampton Yacht Squadron, Ltd. The owner, helmsperson and each crew member of a participating boat agree that the safety of the boat and the crew and the decision whether or not to start or continue to race is solely their responsibility, and each of them waives all claims which he or she or any heir, representative, successor or assignee, may have against the Westhampton Yacht Squadron, Ltd., and any of their officers, trustees, members, committees, employees, or agents, arising out of or in any way connected with participation in such race or activity. Responsibility for evaluating wind, sea and weather conditions rests with each competitor as does the responsibility for the safe condition and operation of their boat including safety equipment and rigging and for wearing a life jacket. Assistance from the race committee, patrol boats, or other support boats and from personnel manning them is at the risk of the participant.

11. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY - Competitors in this Invitational are participating entirely at their own risk and are bound by *The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2017-2020 Including US Sailing Prescriptions* and all other rules that govern this event, and assume full responsibility for starting or continuing to race – Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority, host club and/or personnel conducting this event will not accept any liability for material damages, or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the event.

12. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For additional information, please contact the Regatta Chairperson:

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