



Notice of Race

Chubb U.S. Junior Championship Area K Championship

The U.S Junior Championship Triplehanded Championship for the Sears Cup

Macatawa Bay Yacht Club
July 11, 12 - 2022
Macatawa, Michigan

NOTE: *It is the responsibility of the competitors, coaches, parents, and all interested parties to be familiar with the rules, conditions, and regulations governing these championships. Links to these documents are provided within this Notice of Race.*

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the NoR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The following documents shall apply:
 - 1.2.1 [US Sailing Regulation 10](#). An alleged breach of US Sailing Regulation 10 shall not be grounds for a protest by another boat; this changes rules 60.1(a), 60.2(a) and 60.3(a). However, when a protest committee believes that a competitor may have breached Regulation 10.03, it shall follow the process described in the Championships Code of Conduct.
 - 1.2.2 The sections of the [Conditions for the Junior Sailing Championship](#) applicable to the Area Championships.
 - 1.2.3 [US Sailing's Safesport Handbook](#)
 - 1.2.4 [The US Sailing Coaching and Support Boat Policy](#). This will be a Grade 1 Coaching event.
- 1.3 This Championship is not being conducted as a sanctioned or class association event. Only the Equipment Measurement Rules for the VX ONE class shall apply.
- 1.4 RRS 60.1(a) is changed to prohibit a boat from protesting another boat for an alleged breach of any class rule other than class equipment measurement rules.
- 1.5 Each competitor shall wear a USCG approved life jacket, in good condition, that is 100% dependent on foam for flotation and the appropriate size for the sailor, at all times while on the water, except for brief periods while adding or removing clothing (US Sailing Regulation 10). A violation of this instruction may be protested by race officials or a competitor; however, a breach of this instruction may receive a penalty less than disqualification at the discretion of the protest committee. This changes rule 64.2. [DP]
- 1.6 RRS 66 is changed, see NoR section 9.4

2. ELIGIBILITY and ENTRY

- 2.1 Competitors meeting the following criteria are eligible to compete in US Sailing's Chubb Junior Area K Championships. All criteria shall be met prior to the start of the first race.
 - 2.1.1 Competitors shall have reached their 13th birthday but not their 19th birthday during the calendar year of competition.
 - 2.1.2 Competitors shall be individual or family members in good standing of US Sailing at the time of Application, registration, and of the event and not otherwise ineligible to compete under the laws, Regulations, policies and rules of the USOPC or its affiliated organizations.



- 2.1.3 All competitors shall be members of a Local Sailing Organization (LSO) and US Sailing. An LSO is defined to include a yacht club, sailing club, community sailing program or other sailing organization that is a member of US Sailing
- 2.1.4 For disciplines other than singlehanded, crew member(s) shall be members of an LSO that is a member of US Sailing within the same US Sailing Area as the helm.
- 2.1.5 All the members of a crew shall reside in or regularly compete in the same US Sailing Area where the club is geographically located.

3. QUALIFICATION

- 3.1 A minimum of three (3) boats is required to be entered by the registration deadline and on the starting line in the triple handed fleet for the winner to move on.
- 3.2 Area K will qualify one (1) team for the triple handed discipline.
- 3.3 Teams shall remain the same from the initial qualifying event through the end of the National Championship. Crew changes shall meet the requirements of the Conditions for the US Junior Championship (See 1.2.2).

4. FEES

- 4.1 Registration to enter the event shall be completed online at
- 4.2 Registration shall be submitted online no later than **17:00hs ET July 4, 2022**
- 4.3 There will be a cost of \$50.00 per participant
- 4.4 Continental Breakfast and boxed lunches will be available both days. Participants should bring their own Water Bottles, Support boats will have Water Stations
- 4.4 Participants may bring their own boats.
- 4.5 Loaner boats from local Fleet members will be available free of charge.
- 4.6 A \$1,000.00 damage deposit will be required.

5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1 **Monday July 11, 2022**
 - 8:00hs – 9:30hs Registration (A table will be setup in front of the Junior Association Building)
 - 9:30hs – 12:00hs Coaching and familiarization with the VXONE
 - 13:00hs – 18:00hs Racing, after racing debrief and Dinner on own
- Tuesday July 12, 2022**
 - 8:30hs – 9:30hs Debrief and boat launching
 - 10:00hs – 16:00hs Racing (No warning signal after 16:00hs)
 - 18:00hs Debrief and Awards

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available at the registration table prior to the competitors meeting.

7. VENUE

- 7.1 Based on wind conditions the racing will be on the waters of Lake Macatawa or Lake Michigan.



8. SCORING

- 8.1 Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 8.2 When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 8.3 When five (5) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scored excluding her worst score.

9. PROTEST AND APPEALS

9.1. Under rule 70.5(a), there shall be no appeal of the decision of a protest or request for redress. However, a decision following a hearing under rule 69.2 may be appealed.

9.2. Email and phone contact information for the helm of each boat entered and for the chairs of the Protest Committee and the Race Committee shall be posted on the official notice board at all times during the event.

9.3. Rule 65.2 is changed as follows:

65.2 A party to the hearing is entitled to receive the above information in writing, provided she asks for it in writing and hand-delivers her request to a member of the protest committee no later than the protest time limit on the last day of racing or one hour after being informed of the decision, whichever is later. The committee shall then, within two hours, hand-deliver the information to the party, including when relevant, a diagram of the incident prepared or endorsed by the committee.

9.4. Rule 66 is changed as follows:

66 REOPENING A HEARING

66.1 The protest committee may reopen a hearing when it decides that it may have made a significant error, or when significant new evidence becomes available within a reasonable time. A party to the hearing may ask for a reopening no later than 24 hours after being informed of the decision. When a hearing is reopened, a majority of the members of the protest committee shall, if possible, be members of the original protest committee.

66.2 Area Qualifier Reopening

66.2(a) A party to a hearing of a protest or request for redress may request a US Sailing Championship Qualifier Reopening. The request shall be in writing and include the significant error that the party believes the protest committee made or the nature of the significant new evidence that is available. The request shall be made no later than 24 hours after the hearing or 24 hours after the protest time limit on the last day of racing, whichever is later. The request, along with copies of the original protest or request for redress, the facts found, the decision of the protest committee, any new evidence that cannot be presented verbally, and e-mail and phone contact information for all parties to the hearing as well as the chairman of the protest committee, shall be sent by e-mail to US Sailing Youth Competition Manager John Pearce (youthchampionships@ussailing.org) and Youth Championships Committee Chair Malinda Crain (mrcrain@gmail.com) for youth events. The hearing shall be reopened when the foregoing information is received by the Staff and Chair.

66.2(b) The protest committee for a US Sailing Championship Qualifier Reopening shall consist of the chairman of the original protest committee plus four certified judges appointed by US Sailing. A majority of the committee's members shall be National or International Judges. US Sailing will appoint the committee's chairman.



66.2(c) A US Sailing Championship Qualifier Reopening will be conducted by telephone conference call. The time and date for the conference call shall be established by the chairman as soon as practicable and no later than seven days after the request for reopening is emailed. The chairman will email to the parties to the hearing the request for reopening, the facts found, the decision of the protest committee, the time and date of the hearing, the process for joining the call and any other relevant documents.

10. COACHING AND SUPPORT BOATS [DP]

- 10.1 This is a **Grade 1 Event** as defined in the US Sailing Championship Support Vessel Policy. See 1.2.4 for a link to this document.
- 10.2 All coaches and/or support personnel shall register at the check-in table located in front of the Macatawa Bay Junior Association Building
- 10.3 Coaches at Area Championships shall have current US Sailing Small boat Level 1 Instructor or higher certification.
- 10.4 Coaches shall wear a USCG approved life jacket while afloat that is 100% dependent on foam for flotation and the appropriate size for the coach.
- 10.5 An Engine Cut-Off switch (ECOS) link shall be attached to the coach boat operator, the operators clothing or operator's personal floatation device whenever a boat's engine is running.

11. Equipment

- 11.1 The only gear, rigging, or equipment that a competitor may take aboard a boat is: a refillable water bottle, class-legal compass, flags, plastic bucket or bailer, normally equipped ditty-bag, personal effects, PFDs and protective clothing. [DP]
- 11.2 GPS devices of all varieties, styles and combinations and VHF radios are specifically banned.

12. PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES - US SAILING REGULATION 10.03 B AND 10.03 C, STATE:

B. For Junior and Youth events or for junior or youth competitors in any US Sailing championship, no participant or competitor shall use or possess, either on or off the water: 1. marijuana or any other substance if possession is illegal under state or federal law; or 2. any alcoholic beverages.

C. An alleged breach of one of these regulations shall not be grounds for a protest; this changes rules 60.1(a), 60.2(a) and 60.3(a). However, when the protest committee believes that a competitor may have breached one of these regulations, it shall follow the process described in the Championships Code of Conduct. If a competitor is found to have breached one of the elements within the Code of Conduct, they shall be excluded from the remaining races of the series and, where practicable, removed from the regatta venue and sent home. The competitor's boat shall be disqualified from all races of the series.

13. PRIZES

- 13.1 The top finishing, eligible team(s) will qualify for US Sailing's Chubb U.S. Junior Sailing Championships. Eligibility is defined as per the 2022 Chubb US Junior Championship NoR.
- 13.2 Teams who qualify for Chubb U.S. Junior Sailing Championship shall submit their registration to the event within seven days of qualification. Failure to register within the deadline will mean the next eligible boat may move forward.

14. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

US Sailing Area K Representative: Cappy Capper, coachcappycapper@gmail.com

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