

2008 JSA Champs – Laser Full Rig/Laser Radial/Club 420

Stamford Yacht Club
97 Ocean Drive West, Stamford, CT 06902
August 4- 6

NOTICE OF RACE

1 Rules

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2005-2008 and the 2008 Rules for JSA of LIS (JSA) Events.

2 Eligibility

- 2.1 All competitors must comply with the eligibility rules of the JSA.
- 2.2 This regatta is for boats of the Laser Full Rig/Laser Radial and Club 420 classes. As per class and JSA rules, all competitors are required to be members of their respective boat class.
- 2.3 All participants shall be certified as competent for this event by either the head instructor or the program head of their member program.

3 Entry Requirements

- 3.1 The entry fee is \$ 95.00 per sailor and \$60.00 per instructor.
- 3.2 The entry package must be received by Janet Jaykus at 97 Ocean Drive West, Stamford, CT 06902 no later than 5:00 pm on Sunday July 27, 2008 for Laser Full Rig and Laser Radial sailors and by 5:00 pm on Thursday July 31 for Club 420 sailors, skipper and crew. One check, payable to Stamford Yacht Club, must be drawn per club for all fees. Entries for this regatta will be accepted via the JSA database regatta registration facility; if that is used, it is still required that a check be received by the due date.
- 3.3 The entry package consists of the entry form, a completed JSA Standard Waiver and Medical Release Form for each competitor, the housing form for all competitors needing housing, and a check for all fees. The entry is not complete until all these elements have been received at the address above.
- 3.4 For Lasers and C420s, if either the JSA weight or age requirement is not met, the sailor must file written permission from a parent, plus written recommendations from his or her program chair and head instructor, with the entry form (see JSA rules 6.3 and 7.3). This permission form must be included with the entry package and is subject to approval by the regatta chair.

3.5 The entry form may be submitted electronically using the JSA electronic version (samples on JSA website) format. In addition, the JSA Waiver and Medical Form may be submitted electronically as a PDF file that is created by scanning in the signed forms or by downloading the forms from the JSA online database. Electronic entries shall be emailed to: jsachamps@stamfordyc.net by July 27, 2008 at 5:00pm for Laser Full Rig and Laser Radials and by July 31 for Club 420 sailors. A check for regatta fees is still required and must be received as directed by 3.2.

3.6 Late entries and/or change may be accepted at the discretion of the regatta chairperson. To inquire about registering after the date listed above, contact the regatta chairperson. Please do not send late entries or changes without permission from the regatta chairperson as they may not be accepted. The entry fee for late entries is \$ 20.00 per sailor and \$20.00 per instructor.

4 Registration and Sailing Instructions

All skippers, crews, and instructors must appear in person at the registration table during the registration period. Instructors must also attend the instructors' meeting and will receive safety assignments. Sailing instructions will be available at registration.

5 JSA Qualifying

All competitors must have qualified in a regional JSA 420, Laser Full Rig, or Laser Radial event in order to be eligible to race in this JSA Championship.

6 Changes to the Racing Rules

6.1 Upon finishing each race, a boat intending to protest shall as soon as possible, without consultation with instructors or spectators, notify the race committee of her intent to protest and, if possible, the sail number of the protested boat. This adds to rule 61.1(a).

6.2 The JSA Arbitration Procedure (Appendix C of the 2008 Rules for JSA Events) shall be used for hearing protests. This changes Rule 63.

7 Schedule

7.1 10 races are scheduled. At least one race must be completed to constitute a series. No warning signal will be made after 1500 on Wednesday, August 6.

7.2 The schedule of events is as follows:

Monday, August 4

Registration	1600 to 1900
Pizza Dinner – for housed Competitors and coaches	1900
Host Pick up	2000
Curfew for all Housed Competitors	2200

Tuesday, August 5

Registration	0730 to 0830	by main entrance
Instructors' Meeting	0915	by the lawn steps
Contestants' Meeting	0930	Front lawn
Harbor Start: Club 420	1000	
Laser full/radial	1030	
Lunch	TBD	On the water
Dinner	1930	on the lawn
Curfew for all Housed Contestants	2200	

Wednesday, August 6

Harbor Start: Club 420	0900	
Laser full/radial	0930	
Lunch	TBD	On the water
Last starting signal	1500	
Return to shore	1700	docks
Awards	1800	on the lawn
Pick up of boats and competitors	1700-2000	

8 Equipment and Weight Requirements

- 8.1 All boats must conform to their class rules and any applicable JSA safety or measurement rules. Boats are subject to inspection by the organizing authority or the judges at any time during the event.
- 8.2 Some or all competitors in classes with minimum weight restrictions may be required to weigh in during the registration period.
- 8.3 Competitors and instructors are required to wear a properly fastened PFD with whistle attached at all times when on the water or on the dock in accordance with JSA rules. Failure to comply with JSA rules can result in disciplinary action being taken (see Section 14).
- 8.4 Competitors who fail to meet JSA and class rules for safety and measurements will be subject to disqualification.

9 Racing Area

The racing area will be in the vicinity of Bell 32 (the Cows).

10 Scoring

The Low Point Scoring System, Appendix A of The Racing Rules of Sailing, will apply. A boat's worst race will be excluded, subject to rule 89.3(b), if at least 5 races are completed.

11 Sail Numbers

Sail numbers must be complete and clearly visible from both sides of the sail. Entries of boats not complying with this instruction may be rejected in compliance with Rule 76.1. If racing has already started, boats not complying with this instruction will be subject to protest by the race committee only.

Laser Standards and Laser Radials must display a JSA sail number in accordance with JSA 7.4.

12 Boat and Trailer Storage

12.1 All boats will be dry sailed on the grounds of Stamford Yacht Club.

12.2 Boats and/or dolly's will be stored at Stamford Yacht Club. Coach boats will be launched at West Beach Boat Launch and a City of Stamford permit will be required before bringing the boat to the regatta. Location for trailer storage will be determined. Please see the Stamford Yacht Club website – www.stamfordyc.com for specific directions.

13 Housing, Meals and Local Transportation (*Include if applicable*)

13.1 Housing will be provided for the 2 night(s) on August 4 and August 5 for all contestants and instructors from member programs on Long Island and east of Milford, CT.

13.2 Assigned housing must be used. All housed contestants must be at their host's house by 10:00 pm each night. Failure to use assigned housing or to meet the curfew is grounds for disciplinary action.

13.3 Continental breakfast will be provided for all competitors. Lunch will be provided on the water August 5 and August 6, and dinner will be available August 5 for all competitors and instructors.

13.4 Local transportation will be provided by housing host if required.

14 Discipline

All junior sailors and instructors are expected to behave in accordance with recognized principles of sportsmanship, good manners and fair play. The regatta organizer or protest committee may discipline and/or penalize a junior sailor or instructor for actions that include, but are not limited to, the following:

- a) swearing at, intimidating or harassing anyone, including teammates, on or off the water; or
- b) stealing or borrowing, without permission, anything that does not belong to them; or
- c) possessing, consuming or being under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs.
- d) failure to wear a properly fastened PFD

Please note that if an instructor is asked to leave a race course, all juniors for whom that instructor is responsible must leave the race course as well unless other satisfactory supervisory arrangements are made.

15 Support Craft

Any club entering three or more boats shall supply a support craft equipped with a working VHF Radio, an anchor and a first aid kit. An instructor and/or other support personnel shall drive the support craft in accordance with JSA 9.4 (c) and (d) and shall register with the regatta organizers at registration to receive safety patrol assignments. Spectator and coach boats shall stay well clear of the course area while boats are racing and must listen to the radio for updates and directives coming from the race committee.

If a club is not sending a support craft (i.e., a club is sending fewer than three boats), arrangements must be made with another club to allow the instructor supervising those sailors to go out on the water. In no circumstances will competitors be allowed to sail without a designated instructor on the race course.

16 Prizes

16.1 Prizes will be awarded to the top 5 finishers in each division.

16.2 Equal prizes will be awarded to crew and helmspersons.

16.3 A sportsmanship trophy may be awarded at the discretion of the race committee.

16.4 Perpetual Trophies

The following perpetual trophies will be awarded:

1. The Pequot Cup for the JSA Club 420 Champion
2. The Edgar L. Raymond trophy for the JSA Laser Champion
3. The Joseph E. Cosulich Trophy for the JSA Laser Radial Champion

Each member program whose entrant wins a perpetual trophy shall have possession of the trophy for one year and is responsible for getting it engraved and delivering it safely to the regatta venue the following year.

17 Responsibility for Safety

As a condition of the participation of any boat in any race or related activity sponsored or undertaken by the Stamford Yacht Club, the owner, helmsperson and each crewmember 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. Each of them waives all claims which he or she, or any heir, representative, successor or assignee, may have against the Stamford Yacht Club and the JSA of LIS and each 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 aboard them is at the risk of the participant.

18 Web Site

The Notice of Regatta, Sailing Instructions, results and other information will be available on the Stamford Yacht Club web site at www.stamfordyc.com.

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