



PUERTO RICO INTERNATIONAL
Dinghy Regatta

NOTICE OF RACE

Organizing Authority

Federación de Vela de Puerto Rico

Venue

Puerto Del Rey Marina

Ceiba, Puerto Rico

June 11th – 12th 2016

1. RULES

- 1.1 This Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS). To the extent permitted by Part 7 of the RRS, specific provisions of the RRS may be modified, altered or made inoperative by the Notice of Race (NOR) or the Sailing Instructions (SI).
- 1.2 The International Optimist Dinghy Association Class Rules, the Rules of the Laser Class Association, the Rules of the Hobie Cats Association, the Rules of the Sunfish Class International Racing Association and the Puerto Rico Sailing Federation's Environmental Protocol will apply, except as modified, altered or made inoperative by the NOR or the SI, to the extent permitted by such rules.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 ISAF regulation 20.4 applies. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority (OA) in all or any of the races, if applicable.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Optimist, Laser, Hobie 16, and Sunfish classes. Participants **MUST** be active members of its Class Association (RRS 75.2).
- 3.2 The following divisions are expected.
 - Hobie Cat 16
 - Optimist Advanced
 - Optimist Green
 - Sunfish Open
 - Laser Radial
 - Laser Standard and 4.7
- 3.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing registration with the regatta committee.

- 3.4 The Optimists competitors must be between 7 and 15 of age.
- 3.5 The Race Committee reserves the right to divide the Optimist class into as many as four (4) fleets, designated as Green, Red, White and Blue.
- 3.6 The Laser Class will be divided into Standard, Radial and 4.7 fleets.
- 3.7 A minimum of four boats for each class is required to constitute a class.
- 3.8 The Race Committee reserves the right to waive eligibility to vessels in order to allow fair and maximum participation.
- 3.9 If you are not a current member of a class, membership to the appropriate association will be available at registration for a nominal fee.

4. REGISTRATION

- 4.1 Registration SHOULD be done using the Yacht Scoring Program no later than Friday, June 10th at noon.
- 4.2 For Information and Registration please contact Diana Emmanuelli at (787) 278-6829 or d_emmanuelli10@hotmail.com.
- 4.3 For a registration to be complete it must be paid in full by the deadlines indicated, otherwise the registration will be considered incomplete. The rate to be paid will be based on the date final payment is received.
- 4.4 Paid registration fees may be reimbursed upon request in writing to Mr. Jose Albiñana (josemariaalbinana@yahoo.com) by May 25th, 2016.

5. FEES

5.1	Early Bird Registration:	No Later Than June 3 rd , 2016	
		Hobie 16:	\$50.00
		Laser, Sunfish & Optimist:	\$35.00
5.2	Regular Registration:	June 4 th – June 10 th , 2016 (by 1200 hrs)	
		Hobie 16:	\$70.00
		Laser, Sunfish & Optimist:	\$55.00
5.3	Late Registration at Captain’s Lounge. (See 6.1.1)		
		Hobie 16:	\$90.00
		Laser, Sunfish & Optimist:	\$75.00

6. SCHEDULE

- 6.1 Skippers check in and Late Registration
 - 6.1.1 At Captain’s Lounge, on Friday, June 10th, 2016, from 1700 hours to 1900 hours. Competitors shall register at the Registration Desk.
 - 6.1.2 All competitors must complete registration, which includes proper completion, execution, and delivery of the "Waiver Form" to the Captain’s Lounge, by 1900 hours on Friday June 10th, 2016. The "Waiver Form" is available under the Documents & Forms link in the Yacht Scoring website.

<http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=2757>

- 6.2 Skippers Meeting

6.2.1 The Skippers Meeting will be held in the Regatta Headquarter (Big Tent) at 1930 hours on Friday, June 10th, 2016.

6.3 Races

6.3.1 Races will be back to back with a possible lunch break in between.

Saturday, June 11 th 2016	The first warning signal is scheduled for 1100 hours
Sunday, June 12 th ,2016	The first warning signal is scheduled for 1100 hours

6.3.2 No warning signal will be hoisted after 1600 hours on Saturday and 1400 hours on Sunday.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

7.1 Sailing Instructions will only be available at the regatta web site in Yacht Scoring, <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=2757>.

8. RACING AREA

8.1 The Race will take place in the navigational waters adjacent to "Isla de Ramos".

9. SCORING

9.1 A minimum of one (1) race will constitute a regatta.

9.2 When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

9.3 When five (5) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

10. SHORE FACILITIES

10.1 Racers must make prior coordination with Puerto Del Rey Marina's Dry Stack Office to reserve time and date of launching and hauling out their boats.

10.2 All competitors' boats using Puerto Del Rey launching facilities are urged to launch their vessel between 08:00 and 17:00 hours on Friday, June 10 and Saturday June 11, 2016 free of charge. Fees will apply if launched outside of that schedule.

10.3 Vessels launched from 17:00 to 18:00 will be charged \$5.00 p/f. No launching service will be provided for competitors after 18:00.

10.4 Based on safety concerns, medium centerboard boats such as O'Days 19, J-70 or others that requires the use of Dry Stack Ramp, may not use the finger or the travel lift.

10.5 All competitors using Puerto Del Rey haul-out facilities on Sunday, June 12, 2016 will be hauled-out free of charge before 17:00 hours. No service will be provided after 17:00 hours. Vessels will remain in the water until next day and should be retrieved on Monday June 13, 2016 before 12:00PM. This applies to vessels with and without contract. Vessels without contract will pay \$5.00 p/f at the Marina Customer Service Office.

10.6 Boat washing cannot be performed in the Dry Stack area, it will only be permitted at the boatyard known as the "15 Cuerdas".

10.7 DINGHY RACEBOATS (EXCEPT HC 16, 420, Snipe or boats requiring the use of the Dry Stack Ramp) Will launch boats through the floating dock located in the proximity of Dock 85 at Puerto Del Rey. Overnight space and security will be provided in that area for Friday and Saturday night.

11. PRIZES

- 11.1 Class trophies will be awarded to the first 3 boats in each class, except for green fleet, where all competitors will receive a medal in recognition of their participation. One overall trophy and one Best Female trophy will be awarded for the Optimists.
- 11.2 Additionally cash prizes will be distributed to the participating classes. Detail will be provided at a later date.

12. CUSTOMS AND IMMIGRATION

- 12.1 Service is available Monday through Saturday from 0800 to 1630 hours at the ports of entry in San Juan, Fajardo, Ponce, Mayagüez and Culebra. USA registered boats not carrying aliens on board may clear customs by phone. Be aware that when clearing customs by phone, ONLY THE SKIPPER is permitted off the yacht while the procedure is being completed. A violation of the procedure could result in severe penalties.
- 12.2 Aliens must clear Immigration before entering. A new requirement for non-U.S. citizens wanting to gain entry to the U.S. by way of a non-commercial vessel--for example a private sailboat--is that he or she must have a visa.
- 12.3 There will be no special services of Customs or Immigration at the marina.
- 12.4 From 0800 to 1700 hours, you may call:
 - San Juan (787)253-4533 (4534,4535,4536)
 - Mayagüez (787) 831-3342 (3342)
 - Vieques (787) 741-8366
 - Ponce (787) 841-3130 (3131,3132)
 - Fajardo (787) 863-0950 (4075,0811,0102)
 - Culebra (787) 742-0531
 - Overnight (787) 253-4533, 253-4536

13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 13.1 **COMPETITORS AGREE TO BE BOUND BY THE INTERNATIONAL SAILING FEDERATION RACING RULES OF SAILING (RRS), BY THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AND THE NOTICE OF RACE. COMPETITORS AGREE TO TAKE ANY AND ALL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE NAUTICAL QUALITIES OF THEIR VESSELS, THE RIGGING, THE CREW'S ABILITY AND THE SAFETY EQUIPMENT. COMPETITORS ALSO AGREE TO TAKE ANY AND ALL RESPONSIBILITY FOR DAMAGES CAUSED TO THIRD PERSONS (BODILY INJURY INCLUDED BUT NOT LIMITED THERETO) OR THEIR BELONGINGS, TO THEMSELVES (BODILY INJURY INCLUDED BUT NOT LIMITED THERETO) OR TO THEIR BELONGINGS, ASHORE AND AT SEA AS A CONSEQUENCE OF THEIR PARTICIPATION IN THE REGATTA, RELIEVING OF ANY RESPONSIBILITY THE FEDERACIÓN DE VELA DE PUERTO RICO ORGANIZATION, PUERTO DEL REY MARINA, AND ALL PERSONS INVOLVED IN THE ORGANIZATION UNDER WHATEVER QUALIFICATION. COMPETITORS ARE TO BE ACQUAINTED WITH ISAF RRS PART 1 FUNDAMENTAL RULE 4: "THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR A BOAT'S DECISION TO PARTICIPATE IN A RACE OR TO CONTINUE RACING IS HERS ALONE". IN ANY CASE, COMPETITORS AGREE THAT THE FEDERACIÓN DE VELA DE PUERTO RICO ORGANIZATION, THE SPONSORS AND THEIR AGENTS, HAVE NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR LOSS OF LIFE OR INJURY TO MEMBERS OR OTHERS**

OR FOR THE LOSS OF, OR DAMAGE TO ANY VESSEL OR PROPERTY. AS PART OF THE REGISTRATION PROCESS, EACH INDIVIDUAL PARTICIPATING CREWMEMBER WILL BE REQUIRED TO SIGN A DECLARATION ACCEPTING THIS DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY.

14. INSURANCE

- 14.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance company whose rating by A.M. BEST is not less than A-.