

2016 J/24 District 7 Pennant Series Regatta
Oneida Lake, NY 3-4 June, 2016
Oneida Lake Sailing Club, Race Committee

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, the prescriptions of US SAILING, the applicable J/24 class rules, and the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 The Regatta Regulations of the International J/24 Class Association (IJCA) will apply.
- 1.3 Under *The Racing Rules of Sailing* rule 87, IJCA rule 5.3 is changed as follows: A boat may sail with different crew on different days provided the crew changes are declared at registration. Crew changes not declared at registration require advance written approval of the protest committee and will only be approved in exceptional circumstances.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the J/24 class as defined by the IJCA Class Rules. There must be three (3) registered boats to constitute the regatta.
- 2.2 Eligible skippers can register for the event and pay the required fee(s) on the US Sailing Regatta Network web site regattanetwork.com. The entry fee is \$90 if paid by May 16th. Boats registered after that date will be charged a late fee of \$10. If 3 or more boats are entered from one club there will be a \$5 discount per boat.
- 2.3 All boats intending to race in the regatta should be represented at the skipper's meeting which will take place at 0900 on 4 June at Callahan's Marina.

3. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Race Information Notice Board located in the registration tent at Callahan's Marina.

4. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 4.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available at check-in.
- 4.2 Changes to the sailing instructions will be posted on the Official Race Information Notice Board located in the registration tent at Callahan's Marina one hour prior to the start of the first race each day.

5. ADVERTISING

Advertising will be restricted to Category A (see ISAF Instruction 20).

6. SAILOR CLASSIFICATION

The regatta is open to sailors in ISAF Sailor Classification Groups 1, 2 & 3. (See ISAF Regulation 22.)

7. VENUE

Callahan's Marina and the Oneida Lake Marina will constitute the venue for the regatta. The Oneida Lake Marina is in the Southeast corner of Oneida Lake on NY State Route 31. Callahan's is ¼ mile to the West. The racing area encompasses the Eastern end of Oneida Lake.

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8 THE COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be windward-leeward and will utilize orange and yellow inflatable buoys. Courses may have a downwind or upwind finish and will utilize a gate as the leeward turning point. Courses will be displayed by the race committee boat on the water.

9 REGATTA SCHEDULE

9.1	Friday, 3 June	1200-1800	Check-in - Callahan's Marina
		1900	Happy Hour - White Water Tavern
			Bar food available
Saturday, 4 June	0730-0900	Check-in & breakfast - Callahan's Marina*	
	0900	Skippers' meeting - Callahan's Marina	
	1000	First warning signal	
	1800	Picnic at Callahan's **	
Sunday, 5 June	0730-0900	Breakfast - Callahan's Marina*	
	1000	First warning signal	
	1500	Picnic - Callahan's Marina, Awards will be presented; hot dogs, hamburgers, chips and drinks provided to competitors and crews	

* donations accepted

** Not included in regatta fee (except skipper's)

9.2 No race will begin after 1500 on Saturday nor after 1300 on Sunday.

10 SCORING

10.1 The Low Point System of Appendix A to the Racing Rules will apply.

10.2 The score for the regatta will be the total of all the races sailed unless there are more than five races. For any number of races greater than five there will be one throw out.

10.3 There will also be a team score for any fleet/club represented by 3 or more boats. The 3 best scores will be utilized for any team with more than 3 boats entered.

11 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to the top four (4) finishers. There will also be a prize for the best team finish.

12 CONDUCT & RESPONSIBILITY

The skipper/owner shall be responsible for all actions of his or her crew and guests. In the event of a breach of conduct, sportsmanship, destruction of property, or failure to comply with the request of any race officer, committee member or agent of the Oneida Lake Sailing Club the skipper/owner will be held responsible and his/her boat shall be subject to protest and disqualification.

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The Oneida Lake Sailing Club is not responsible for and will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, death, or property damage suffered or sustained from any cause in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing, Decision to Race, applies. Responsibility for evaluating the wind, sea and weather conditions rests with each participant as do responsibility for the safe condition of the boat, including safety equipment and rigging and for deciding when to wear life jackets. Each competitor, including skippers and crew, participates in the regatta entirely at their own risk and waives any and all claims, including those arising from negligence or lack of due care, which he/she may have against the the regatta committee, the officers, trustees, members, or agents of Oneida Lake Sailing Club.

13 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$300,000 (US) per event.

14 DOCKAGE

Temporary dockage will be provided. Once launched prior to the beginning of competition, competing boats must remain in the water until the completion of competition except with prior written permission of the protest committee.

14 PROHIBITED ACTIONS

14.1 Careening by any means for the purpose of cleaning or inspecting the hull is prohibited during the regatta.

14.2 Underwater breathing apparatus, plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used between the time the boat is to be afloat and the end of the regatta. The hull may be cleaned at any time by swimming or keelhauling using ropes or cloth.

15. RADIO COMMUNICATION

15.1. Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio, mobile phone or other data transmissions while racing nor receive radio, mobile phone or data communication not available to all boats.

15.2. It is the intent of the organizing authority and race committee to use marine VHF radios to communicate with the fleet. The Race Committee will use VHF channel 72.

16 ACCOMMODATIONS

16.1 Space for camping will be available at the Oneida Lake Marina and at Callahan's Marina.

16.2 Lodging is available within 4 miles of Oneida Lake Marina at the following locations:

Lakeshore Motel	(315) 762-5413	www.sylvanbeach.org/lakeshore
Oneida Lake Inn	(315) 761-0000	oneidalakeinn.com
Dwarf Line Motel	(315) 762-4645	www.sylvanbeach.org/dwarfline

Other lodging available 10 miles or more:

Turning Stone Resort	(315) 361-7711	www.turning-stone.com
Fairfield Inn & Suites	(315) 363-8888	www.marriott.com
Microtel Inn & Suites	(315) 363-1850	www.microtelinn.com

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17 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, contact Lou Scheiderich, OLSC Race Officer: (315) 271-8423, email loushad@earthlink.net or the OLSC Commodore Kathy Mahar: (315) 243-8187, email dolphinmom@gmail.com.