

FLORIDA EAST COAST SERIES

FALL 2018

NOTICE OF RACE

1. HOST CLUBS & DATES

Series Regatta #1 - MYC (Melbourne) Sunday, September 16, 2018

Series Regatta #2 – TCYSF (Fort Pierce) Sunday, October 14, 2018

Series Regatta #3 – PBSC (Palm Beach) Sunday, October 28, 2018

Series Regatta #4 – YSF (Vero Beach) Saturday, November 11, 2018

Series Regatta #5 – USSCMC (Jensen Beach) Sunday, December 9, 2018

*For the purpose of scoring this series, there will be no reschedules if a regatta is cancelled; however, Host Clubs may choose to reschedule their event, to be scored independently from this series.

2. ELIGIBILITY, ENTRY, ENTRY FEE & AWARDS

2.1 The Series is open to junior sailors age 8 – 18. Adults may participate in the O'Pen Bics and 420s fleets but will not be eligible to receive series trophies.

2.2 Optis, High School 420s, and O'Pen Bics may register to race with one design scoring in their class.

2.3 Competitors must register independently for each of the regattas. Contact each club for registration details.

2.4 Registration in one regatta in the series will be deemed registration of the competitor for the series. If a competitor registers in different classes or fleets at different regattas, they will be registered for the series in all classes / fleets in which they raced during the series. They will be scored as DNC for the classes / fleets in which they did not register for the individual regatta.

2.5 Opti Competitors must elect whether to be scored in gold or silver fleets. To qualify for the total series scoring a competitor must stay in the same fleet for the entire series.

2.6 A \$20 registration fee will be required for Regatta #5 at the USSCMC. Other venues will set their own entry fees.

2.7 Trophies will be awarded to the top places in Opti gold fleet and Opti silver fleet for the Florida East Coast Youth Series. The Florida East Coast Series Champions Cup will be awarded to the series champion registered in the Opti gold fleet, the O'Pen Bic fleet and the 420 fleet. Awards for other classes will be the discretion of the OA for each individual regatta.

3. CLASS MEMBERSHIP

3.1 Competitors are not required to be members of the USODA or Club 420 Association or O'Pen Bic; however, all boats must comply with their class rules.

4. RULES

4.1 Each regatta will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2017-2020, the prescriptions of US SAILING, the USODA Class Rules; this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions issued by each club.

5. SCORING

5.1 Florida East Coast Series scoring shall be based on a High Point Scoring System, with each skipper being assigned the score independently. We will use the sailor's finishing place for each regatta as their score for each regatta in the series. Regatta scores will be added together to determine the series score. Sailors will receive zero points for any regattas in which they do not compete in any races (even if they are registered for the regatta). For example, in a regatta with 21 boats starting at least one race, the first place finisher for the regatta would receive 21 points.

The lowest regatta score will be excluded for the series results. The highest scoring sailor is the winner of the series. In the event of a tie, the sailor with the highest score for any regatta shall be the series winner. In the event that there is still a tie, the sailor with the highest score in the last regatta of the series shall be the winner. Ties that occur in individual regattas shall be decided by the rules of the individual regatta and will not influence series scores.

This scoring system should give a sailor the chance to win the series even if the sailor is unable to attend one of the regattas in the series. It is the goal of the series to encourage participation among all intermediate to advanced Florida East Coast Youth sailors, even those who may not be able to attend all regattas in the series.

6. SAFETY AND ADULT RESPONSIBILITY

6.1 In addition to the requirements of RRS 4, an adult (parent, guardian or designated adult) is responsible for the safety of their sailor. It is the responsibility of this adult to decide if the sailor should sail in the weather and sea conditions that might arise during the event. The adults supervising the competitors are ultimately responsible for the risks and shall attend all Competitors' Meetings on the upper deck.

6.2 Parents not personally attending any part of the event shall ensure that another adult is authorized and designated to make these decisions for their sailor.

6.3 Each competitor shall indicate in writing at Check-In the parent or adult representative that will be responsible for the competitor throughout the event.

6.4 The designated adult shall accept full responsibility for all actions of the competitor during any activity related to the event. This includes on-shore activities before, during, and after the regatta.

7. SCHEDULE

The schedules will be according to the individual NORs for those regattas. The schedule for Series Regatta #5 at the USSCMC will be as follows:

1300	Skippers Meeting, Preparatory Signal for the First Race immediately following
1600	No starts after 1600

Sailors should eat lunch prior to racing as there will be no lunch breaks.

8. MORE INFORMATION

8.1. For more information contact each host club, or Series Chair Julie Zahniser via email at: zahniser@bellsouth.net.

8.2. Host clubs can be contacted at:

USSCMC (JENSEN BEACH)	Ryan Clarke: ryan@usscmc.org
TCYSF (FORT PIERCE)	info@treasurecoastyouthsailing.com
PALM BEACH SAILING CLUB	Don Lasky / Brooke Sharp: youthsailing@pbsail.org
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