



Florida East Coast Series #1

Sunday March 23, 2025

NOTICE OF RACE

1. ADVANCE REGISTRATION - Competitors shall **register online:** www.ysfirc.org either in advance or at the venue no later than 10am.
Questions? Visit us online at www.ysfirc.org
email: Clark Lewis clark.lewis@ysfirc.org or call 772-492-3343
2. RULES
 - 2.1 This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the US Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

This regatta follows the NOR for the Florida East Coast series which shall prevail in the case of any conflicts herein.
 - 2.2 Rule 40 is changed to require PFD's to be worn at all times while on the water, except for brief periods when adding or removing clothing while alongside a safety or coach boat.
 - 2.3 RRS 63.7 is changed to provide that, in the event of a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions will prevail.
3. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY
 - 3.1 The Series is open to sailors ages 8 – 19 (up to their 20th birthday) or for sailors older than 19 through the date of the sailor's high school graduation, whichever is later. Adults 20 and over who are not enrolled in high school may take part in the 420 fleet but will not be eligible to receive series trophies.
 - 3.2 Competitors are encouraged to bring their own boats. A limited number of Optimists and 420's may be available to charter for qualified participants.
 - 3.3 Each competitor will be responsible for his/her boat being in compliance with class rules.
4. FEES - see online when register.
5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
 - Check In 08:00 to 1000
 - Skippers Meeting 1000
 - First Race at 1100
 - No starts after 1530
 - Awards will be awarded after the conclusion of all races and protest hearings.

6. CHARTER – YSF may have a limited number of boats available for charter. This will be on a first come first serve basis. Please Contact Clark Lewis at YSFIRC for more information.
7. SAILING AREA - The sailing areas are in the Indian River Lagoon, to either side of the 17th street bridge.
8. COURSES - Courses will be set using drop marks. The course designations will be listed in the SI's.
9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS - The Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be available at check-in the morning of the regatta. A draft copy may be posted online. Courses will be included in the SI's.
10. SCORING – Multiple races are scheduled between the first race and 1530. Races will be scored for this regatta per RRS A2; and for the Florida East Coast Series per RRS A9 with the formula for excluded races per the series NOR.
11. COACHES - Coaches will be allowed on the water and must stay clear of racers after the start signal. Opti Coaches may coach the back half of the Silver Fleet only per USODA guidelines.

12. SAFETY

12.1 An adult (parent, guardian or designated adult) must responsible for the safety of the sailor both on water and ashore.

12.2 No boat shall leave the beach until signaled by the beach master. A boat retiring from a race shall notify a Race Committee vessel before leaving the course, and/or immediately after arrival ashore.

13. MEDIA RIGHTS - By participating in this regatta, a competitor (or parent/guardian if under age 18) grants to the OA and its sponsors the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any photographs, motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him or her during the period of the competition without compensation.

14. PRIZES - Prizes will be awarded in each class: Optimist Silver, Optimist Gold, 420.

15. ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

WATER BOTTLES - In keeping with US Sailing's environmental sustainability initiative, single use water bottles are prohibited aboard boats by competitors and support people. Refill stations for refillable bottles will be provided.

LIFE JACKETS - All support people on the water (race committee, mark and safety boat operators, parents, etc.) are required to wear PFDs.