



The Santa Barbara Yacht Club presents:

Goblin Optimist Regatta

October 19-20, 2024

NOTICE OF RACE

The Organizing Authority for the 2024 Goblin Optimist Regatta will be:
The Santa Barbara Yacht Club (SBYC), 130 Harbor Way, Santa Barbara, CA



The notation [NP] in a *rule* means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that *rule*. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

The notation [DP] in a *rule* means that the penalty for a breach of a *rule* may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in *the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2 On the water protests shall be indicated to the Race Committee with a red flag, displayed while crossing the finish line. It is the competitor's responsibility to get a verbal verification from the committee boat that they are filing a protest.
- 1.3 US Sailing prescriptions to rules 63.2 will not apply.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The regatta is open to competitors of the Optimist Championship Fleet (Red, Blue, White) and Green Fleet class.
- 2.2 Competitors may enter the regatta by completing the online entry form and paying applicable fees. A link to the online entry form may be found on the event web page at: <https://sbyc.org/goblin-optimist-regatta> or at <https://theclubspot.com/regatta/fn8JD7Ppt3>.
- 2.3 Registration closes at 10:00am on Saturday, October 19, 2024.

3. FEES

- 3.1 There will be an \$75 per boat entry fee. The entry fee will include lunch snack-pack each day, Saturday post-racing food at SBYC, Sunday post-race snack, and a regatta shirt.
- 3.2 There will be a \$20 late fee for entries received after October 12, 2024.

4. SCHEDULE

4.1 **Friday, October 18, 2024**

- 1200 Competitor briefing will be sent out via pre-recorded video. Questions about the briefing or related to the regatta may be submitted via text, or email to: Brad Schaupter – racings@sbyc.org / (310) 850-5213. Answers to questions may be shared with all registrants via email as appropriate.

Saturday, October 19, 2024

- 0945 Check-in opens at the launch ramp
1020 Check-in closes
1030 Competitor meeting on beach next to launch area
1045 Daily Sign-In <https://forms.gle/nts8ABTfdbMidgaA>
1230 Warning signal for first race
Post Racing BBQ Beach Party at SBYC

Sunday, October 20, 2024

- 1030 Report Time & Costume Contest Judging
- 1045 Daily Sign-In <https://forms.gle/nts8ABTfdbbsMidgaA>
- 1215 Warning signal for first race
- 1515 No warning signal after this time
- Post Racing Snacks at launch ramp & Awards presentation at the Launch Ramp

4.2 Eight (8) races total are scheduled with no more than five (5) races to be sailed on any one day.

5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available on the event website at least a week prior to the event: (<https://sbyc.org/goblin-optimist-regatta>). Copies will also be available at registration.

6. VENUE

- 6.1 The onshore staging area will be near the launch ramp at the eastern end of Santa Barbara Harbor as shown in 'Attachment A – On Shore Staging'.
- 6.2 There will be two sailing areas: Green fleet will sail in an area in or near Santa Barbara Harbor. The Championship Fleet will sail on an ocean course as shown in 'Attachment B – Racing Area'.

7. SCORING

- 7.1 The low-point scoring system of Appendix A will apply, except that a boat's series score shall be the total of all her race scores when fewer than six races have been sailed.
- 7.2 Two (2) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

8. SUPPORT BOATS [DP]

- 8.1 Coach and support boats may be stored on trailers overnight in the Santa Barbara public harbor lot. There will be limited overnight water dockage at the SBYC End Tie D in Marina 1 (as shown in Attachment H – Harbor Map) available on a first come-first serve basis. Other arrangements for water storage may be made with the Harbor Department.
- 8.2 Coach and support boats must supply their own VHF radio for safety purposes and should not be left unattended at the dock space at the launch ramp or at the adjacent docks. [DP]
- 8.3 On the champ fleet course, coach and support boats shall remain clear of the race course. [DP]

9. BERTHING - BOAT STORAGE AND DOLLIES

Competitors boats may only be stored in the launch ramp parking lot in designated areas during the event as seen in 'Attachment P – Parking of Boats, Trailers, Cars & Dollies'. **Each sailor must provide their own boat dolly or alternate means of boat storage.** Boats may only use the docks for immediate launching and retrieval. [NP]

10. PARKING

Parents and participants must comply with all parking regulations and will be responsible for any parking fees. Boats and trailers must be stored in designated spaces only as shown in 'Attachment A – On Shore Staging'. If the designated space is filled, parking attendants may require participants to use other available lots in the area. No boats, trailers, or cars may impede traffic in the launch ramp area for any reason. Boats shall not be left at the launch ramp dock, except when actively launching or retrieving for the day. Failure to comply with these policies may result in citations for vehicles or in disciplinary action against competitors by the protest committee. [NP]

11. PRIZES

Trophies will be awarded to the top finishers in each class at the end of the regatta.

12. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact SBYC at (805) 965-8112 / racing@sbyc.org or regatta chair, Michelle Edwards – medwards5317@gmail.com.

13. RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform, and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

SOCIAL, FOOD, & HOSPITALITY

A lunch snack bag (no sandwich) will be provided to all registered competitors. Sailors with big appetites should bring additional food to eat on the water. Post-race day snacks will be provided. SBYC invites competitors and families to dine at the club during or after racing. Please call the front desk of SBYC at (805) 965-8112 to make a reservation.

COSTUME CONTEST

On Sunday before racing, all competitors will be invited to compete in a boat costume contest. This will require a costume for you and hopefully your boat too, so be creative! Prizes will be awarded to the top costumes.

LODGING

Visit the event web page for links to hotels, campsites, and more. <https://sbyc.org/goblin-optimist-regatta>.