



**2008 US SAILING
ISAF YOUTH WORLDS QUALIFIER
and
U.S. YOUTH MULTIHULL
CHAMPIONSHIP REGATTA**



January 18-21, 2008
Alamitos Bay Yacht Club
Long Beach, California

NOTICE OF RACE

The Organizing Authority for the 2008 US SAILING ISAF Youth World Qualifier and U.S. Youth Multihull Championship Regatta is the Alamitos Bay Yacht Club (ABYC), Long Beach, California.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. Class rules will be used except that rule 60.1(a) is changed to prohibit a boat from protesting another boat for an alleged breach of a class rule requiring class membership or imposing a weight limit.
- 1.3. In accordance with US SAILING Regulation 10.01-C-2, no participant or competitor shall use, either on or off the water, marijuana or any other controlled substance as defined in 21 U.S. Code 802, the possession of which is unlawful under 21 U.S. Code 841, or alcoholic beverages (distilled spirits, wine and beer, each as defined in chapter 51 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code and intended for beverage use). In accordance with US SAILING Regulation 10.01-C-3, an alleged breach of this rule shall not be grounds for a protest; however, when the protest committee believes that a competitor may have breached one of these regulations, it shall follow the process described in racing rule 69.1, and a competitor found to have breached one of these regulations shall be excluded from the remaining races of the series and, where practicable, sent home. The competitor's boat shall be disqualified from all races of the series.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1. Advertising shall be permitted in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20, Category C.
- 2.2. The organizing authority may require all participating boats to display event-sponsor's advertising in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND EQUIPMENT

- 3.1. The regatta is open to the following disciplines and classes:
 - Boys' Singlehanded--Laser
 - Girls' Singlehanded--Laser Radial
 - Boys' Doublehanded--29er
 - Girls' Doublehanded--29er
 - Boys' Sailboard--Neil Pryde RS:X
 - Girls' Sailboard--Neil Pryde RS:X
 - Open Multihull--SL16
- 3.2. Except for competitors in the Open Multihull discipline, a minimum of two (2) entries received by January 4, 2008, is required to establish a class.

- 3.3. All competitors shall be citizens of the United States at the time of the regatta; be members of US SAILING; have been born in the year 1990 or thereafter; and be eligible to represent the United States at the 2008 ISAF Youth World Championship.
- 3.4. All competitors must have a signed Competitor's Agreement and Health and Medical Form on file. The forms may be downloaded from the Alamitos Bay Yacht Club website (www.abyc.org).
- 3.5. Except for competitors in the Open Multihull discipline, this is an open regatta. Only ten (10) teams will be eligible to race in the Open Multihull discipline. Sailors who wish to be considered for the Open Multihull discipline shall submit a resume for consideration to the Olympic Sailing Committee via e-mail to olympics@ussailing.org. Candidates should include a cover letter and a racing resume detailing sailing accomplishments in multihull sailing first, followed by sailing accomplishments in any boat. All resumes must be received by December 14, 2007, with a decision announced no later than December 21, 2007.
- 3.6. Competitors in the Open Multihull discipline will race supplied equipment, but must supply their own trapeze harnesses and may supply non-permanent tell tales, mast head and/or bridle flies and compasses.

4. FEES & ENTRY

- 4.1. Fees are as follows:

<u>Discipline-class</u>	<u>Entry fee</u>	<u>Late fee (for entries received after January 4, 2008)</u>
Boys' Singlehanded--Laser	US\$ 75.00	US\$ 20.00
Girls' Singlehanded--Laser Radial	US\$ 75.00	US\$ 20.00
Boys' Doublehanded--29er	US\$ 150.00	US\$ 40.00
Girls' Doublehanded--29er	US\$ 150.00	US\$ 40.00
Boys' Sailboard--Neil Pryde RS:X	US\$ 75.00	US\$ 20.00
Girls' Sailboard--Neil Pryde RS:X	US\$ 75.00	US\$ 20.00
Open Multihull--SL16	US\$ 150.00	US\$ 40.00

In addition to the fees above, competitors in the Open Multihull discipline must post a US\$250.00 refundable damage deposit.

- 4.2. Eligible boats may enter by completing an entry application and sending it, together with required fees, a completed Competitor's Agreement and a completed Health and Medical Form, to: Alamitos Bay Yacht Club, 7201 E Ocean BL, Long Beach, CA 90803 USA. The entry application may be downloaded from the Alamitos Bay Yacht Club website (www.abyc.org). Entries and payment of entry fees will also be accepted online at www.regattanetwork.com.

5. SCHEDULE

The regatta schedule is as follows:

Friday, January 18, 2008	Registration and measurement.	1400-1900
Saturday, January 19, 2008	Registration and measurement.	0800-0945
	Competitor's briefing	1000
	First warning	1200
	Dinner	1800
Sunday, January 20, 2008	First warning	1200
Monday, January 21, 2008	First warning	1200
	No race will be started after	1500
	Awards presentation will be held ASAP after racing	

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.1. Sailing Instructions will be available at Registration.
- 6.2. Preliminary Sailing Instructions will be available on the Alamitos Bay Yacht Club website (www.abyc.org) on or before January 1, 2008.

7. VENUE

The regatta will be sailed in the waters of San Pedro Bay off Long Beach, California.

8. PENALTY SYSTEM

For the Open Multihull discipline, rules 44.1 and 44.2 are changed so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required.

9. SCORING

Ten (10) races are scheduled of which four (4) must be completed to constitute a series. When fewer than five (5) races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

10. SAFETY

In accordance with US SAILING Regulation 10.01-D, competitors shall wear a U.S. Coast Guard (USCG)-approved Type III personal floatation device (PFD) while on the water, other than for brief periods while adding or removing clothing. Failure to comply with this rule can result in disqualification as deemed appropriate by the protest committee.

11. COACH/SUPPORT BOATS

11.1. Coach/support boats are allowed for this regatta.

11.2. Coach/support boats must register with the race committee.

11.3. All coach/support boats must be equipped with or supply their own VHF radios and be prepared to monitor a designated VHF channel if requested to do so by the race committee.

Coach/support boats must be prepared to render assistance to any boat in need and perform any other function requested of them by the race committee. Coach/support boats shall display an identification flag supplied by the race committee; no flag, banner, pennant, signal or shape other than that supplied by the race committee shall be displayed.

11.4. All coach/support boats will be charged a fee of US\$25.00 to be collected at registration.

11.5. Unless otherwise directed by the race committee, no coach/support boat will be allowed within the course nor have any communication with a competitor between the warning signal for a race and the time that the race is postponed or abandoned, a general recall has been signaled or the competitor has finished.

11.6. The penalty for failing to comply with requests for assistance by the race committee or requirements stated above or in the sailing instructions will be applied to the competitor boat(s) associated with the coach/support personnel at the discretion of the protest committee.

12. PRIZES

12.1. US SAILING medals will be awarded to competitors placing first through third. In addition, the top-finishing that meet all the eligibility requirements (age and nationality) will be entitled to represent the United States at the ISAF Youth World Championship to be held in Aarhus, Denmark, scheduled for July 10-18, 2008.

12.2. The winners of the Open Multihull discipline will be named 2008 U.S. Youth Multihull Champions and be awarded the Arthur J. Stevens Trophy. The trophy will be held by the winners until six weeks before the next year's Championship event, at which time they are responsible for returning the trophy to the upcoming event host club. The winners are obligated to sign a trophy-accountability form stating their responsibility to have the trophy appropriately engraved, insured and shipped to the event host club before the next year's Championship event.

12.3. The W. Darline Hobock Sportsmanship Trophy will be awarded to the competitor(s) in the Open Multihull discipline epitomizing good sportsmanship, as determined by the Youth Multihull Committee.

13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

14. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact Regatta Chairman Steve Smith via e-mail at salaor@sbcglobal.net.