



Oakcliff Clagett Grade 4 Clinegatta

Hosted at Seawanhaka Corinthian Junior Yacht Club, Centre Island, NY

August 25-27, 2023

Clinic Date – August 25, 2023

Racing Dates – August 26-27, 2023

NOTICE OF RACE (NoR)

The following abbreviations apply to this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions:

PC: Protest Committee or International Jury

NoR: Notice of Race

OA: Organising Authority

RRS: Racing Rules of Sailing

SI: Sailing Instructions

RC: Race Committee

CU: Chief Umpire

[NP]: A boat may not protest as per NoR 1.3

[DP]: The penalty for a breach of a rule will be at the sole discretion of the PC.

The Organizing Authority (OA) will be Oakcliff Sailing and The C. Thomas Clagett, Jr. Memorial Clinic and Regatta. The host club is Seawanhaka Corinthian Junior Yacht Club.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, including RRS Appendix C.
- 1.2 Sonar Class rules shall not apply.
- 1.3 The rules for the handling of boats and the equipment list, detailed as part of the sailing instructions, will apply, and will also apply to any clinic, practice sailing and sponsor races.

- 1.4 One member of the crew shall remain seated in the cockpit at all time, except during maneuvers, when the safety of the boat or the crew are at risk, or when it is necessary to repair damage to the boat or its fittings while on the water.
- 1.5 Other than for brief periods to make adjustments to the boat, no part of a person's torso shall be forward of the mast.
- 1.6 The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the notice of race or sailing instructions means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 1.7 In the event of a conflict between the NoR and the SI, the SI will govern. This changes RRS 63.7.
- 1.8 Major Alterations to the RRS:
- a) When a boat in a match fails to *sail the course*, she will be disqualified without a hearing and scored zero points unless both of the boats in the match have sailed the same course in which case the boats will be scored as if they had sailed the course. This changes RRS 28, 35, 63.1, 90.3(a), A5, and C10.7.
 - b) Errors or omissions by the RC will NOT be grounds for redress by a competitor. In the event of an error or omission, the Match or Chief Umpire may notify the RC of the incident and request postponement or abandonment. This changes RRS 62.1.
 - c) A boat may not request redress under RRS 62.1(a). The protest committee may call a hearing to consider redress under that rule if it believes that there is a significant reason for doing so. This changes RRS 60.1(b) and 62.1(a).
 - d) When the umpires proceed under RRS C8.6, they will follow the guidance in SI Addendum E.
 - e) RRS C6.2, C6.3 and RRS 62.1(a) will be changed in the sailing instructions for this event.
 - f) Rule C2.10 is changed so any crew member can make the required arm signals.
 - f) Match umpires may verbally inform the competitors in their match of an abandonment at the request of the RC without a visual or sound signal being made by the RC. This changes Race Signals and rule 32.1.
- 1.9 A U.S. Coast Guard-approved life jacket shall be worn, properly fastened, while afloat except briefly while adding or removing clothing. Failure to comply with this rule may result in disqualification or other penalty at the discretion of the protest committee. Competitors from outside the U.S. may substitute a life jacket approved by their nation's maritime authority.
- 1.10 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Failure to comply may be misconduct (see rule 69.1(a)). Reasonable actions by event officials to implement COVID-19 guidance, protocols or legislation, even if they later prove to have been unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions.
- 1.11 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text takes precedence.
- 1.12 The event has applied for World Sailing Grade 4. This grading is subject to review by World Sailing. The event may be re-graded when there is clear reason to do so.
- 1.13 A Protest Committee will be appointed by the OA.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The SI's will be available after 0900 on August 12, 2023 on the [Oakcliff Clagett Grade 4 Clinegatta](#) webpage.

3 COMMUNICATION

3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the online official notice board which is located on [Oakcliff Clagett Grade 4 Clinegatta](#) webpage.

3.2 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole at the clubhouse at 4 South Street, Oyster Bay, NY.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1 Eight (8) skippers with disabilities will be invited.

Skippers wishing to receive an invitation may email their request to Meredith Collins, Operations Manager, operations@clagettsailing.org and cc regatta@oakcliffsailing.org

4.2 Only skippers invited by the OA, and who confirm acceptance of the invitation, as detailed in the letter of invitation, will be eligible to enter this event.

4.3 All competitors shall meet the eligibility requirements of World Sailing regulation 19.4. All competitors shall obtain a World Sailing Sailor ID at www.sailing.org. Skippers shall inform the OA of their World sailing Sailor ID at registration.

4.4 To remain eligible a skipper shall confirm acceptance of the invitation in writing by registering on-line and paying the entry fee through the link in the invitation to be received by the date specified in the letter of invitation.

4.5 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.

4.6 The skipper shall be entered on completion of registration, crew weighing and the payment of all fees and deposits. Payment will be in US funds.

4.7 A non-refundable entry fee of US\$600 shall accompany the acceptance of invitation. The entry fee shall be paid and received by the date or timeframe specified in the letter of invitation for the acceptance to be valid.

4.8 When a skipper accepts an invitation and later withdraws within 45 days of the event or leaves the event before the end without written approval from the OA, a zero score may be applied to their Ranking points for that event by World Sailing. (World Sailing Regulation 27.2.2(d)).

5 DAMAGE / DAMAGE DEPOSIT

- 5.1 An initial damage deposit of US\$1,000 shall be paid at completion of registration, unless extended by the OA. This deposit is the maximum payable by the skipper as a result of any one incident. The damage deposit may be paid by credit card.
- 5.2 Each skipper is responsible for the damage or loss to their boat unless responsibility is otherwise assigned by the umpires or PC. The damage deposit is the limit of liability of each skipper for each incident. In the event that a deduction is made from the deposit, the skipper will be required to restore the deposit to the original value to continue in the event.
- 5.3 The OA will refund any remaining damage deposit within 10 days after the event.

6 CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)

- 6.1 The number of crew (including the skipper but excluding persons placed on board by the OA) shall be three (3). All registered crew shall sail all races.
- 6.2 After the warning signal for a match, the registered skipper shall not leave the helm, except in an emergency.
- 6.3 When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event, the Chief Umpire may authorize an original crew member to substitute.
- 6.4 When a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event, the Chief Umpire may authorize a substitute, a temporary substitute or other adjustment.
- 6.5 The maximum average crew weight limit determined prior to racing, shall be 87.5 kg (192.5 lbs) when wearing at least shorts and shirts. Total crew weight shall not exceed 578 lbs. The OA does not intend to weigh in at registration.
- 6.6 Visually impaired skippers must sail with a sighted crew that has experience appropriate to the event.
- 6.7 The OA may place a person on each boat as either a guest, cameraman or umpire observer.

7 EVENT FORMAT

- 7.1 The OA intends to provide up to eight (8) Sonar type boats for racing in the event. Each boat will have the following sails: Mainsail and Jib.
- 7.2 If fewer than six teams have accepted invitations and submitted an entry fee by August 9, the event will be postponed until 2024.
- 7.3 Boats will be allocated by draw as decided by the Race Committee (RC) and will remain the same throughout the regatta unless there is clear reason to change.

- 7.4 The sails to be used will be allocated by the RC. Competitors may be requested to exchange sails during a series to satisfy sponsorship commitments.
- 7.5 While all reasonable steps are taken to equalize the boats, variations will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.
- 7.6 The number of matches to be sailed each day will be determined by the RC with the intention of the RC to start each subsequent flight as soon as practicable after the previous flight.
- 7.7 The course will be windward/leeward/windward/leeward with starboard rounding, finishing downwind. A leeward gate may be used.
- 7.8 The intended racing area will be Cold Spring Harbor or West Harbor.
- 7.9 a) Skippers will be seeded into a round robin based on their World Sailing ranking 30 days prior to the event.
- (b) After the First Stage the following will apply:
1. Skippers will be paired based on ranking in the First Stage with the highest ranked skipper paired with the lowest and the other skippers paired accordingly unless the stage specifies a different arrangement.
 2. In reference to RRS C4.1, the highest ranked skipper from the first stage shall enter from the starboard end (Yellow) for the first match and boats shall alternate ends every match.
 3. Further matches in the series will not be sailed once the first skipper scores the points required to win that stage.

7.10

It is intended that the event will consist of the following stages:

Stage 1 – Single Round Robin

- (a) All skippers are scheduled to sail against all other skippers once.

Stage 2 – Quarterfinal Knock-outs

- (a) The first skipper of each series to score at least three (3) points qualify for Stage 3. The other skippers qualify for Stage 6.

Stage 3 – Semi-Finals Knock-outs

- (a) The four highest placing skippers from the quarterfinals or, if Stage 2 is not sailed, from the round robin, will be paired highest placing skipper from Stage 1 v lowest placing skipper from Stage 1, etc. in accordance with a table to be distributed by the RC.
- (b) The first skippers to score at least two (2) points will proceed to Stage 5. The other skippers will proceed to Stage 4.
- (c) The other skippers will move to Stage 4.

Stage 4– Petite-Final Knockout Series

- (a) The skippers qualifying for this stage will be paired in accordance with a table to be distributed by the RC.
- (b) The first skipper to score at least two (2) points will place third in the regatta. The other skipper will place fourth.

Stage 5 – Final Series

- (a) The skippers qualifying for this stage will be paired in accordance with a table to be distributed by the RC.
- (b) The first skipper to score at least three (3) points will be the winner. The other skipper will place second.

Stage 6- Consolation Round Robin

- (a) Skippers placing 5 through 8 after Stage 2, or Stage 1 if Stage 2 is not sailed, will be paired in accordance with a table to be distributed by the RC. The results of this round robin will be for places five through eight.
- (b) This stage will be run concurrently with stages 3 through 5.

- 7.11 The RC may change the format or terminate any stage or the event when, in its opinion, it is impractical to attempt to hold the remainder of matches under the existing conditions or in the remaining time scheduled. Early stages may be terminated in favor of later stages.

8 PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

8.1 Schedule

- (a) Race office and registration at Seawanhaka Corinthian Junior Yacht Club open Thursday August 24, 1500 – 1800.
- (b) Registration at Seawanhaka Corinthian Junior Yacht Club on Friday, August 25, 0815-1700 (registration must be completed before sailing).
- (c) Clinic sessions at Seawanhaka Corinthian Junior Yacht Club on Friday August 24, 0900 – 1800 and Saturday August 25, 0900-1200.
- (d) Mandatory competitors briefings at Seawanhaka Corinthian Junior Yacht Club on Saturday, August 25 at 1200 and on Sunday August 26 at 0830.
- (e) Racing days are Saturday, August 25 and Sunday August 26, 2023.
- (f) First attention signal Saturday, August 25 will be at 1330.
- (g) First attention signal Sunday, August 26 will be 1000.
- (h) The latest time for an attention signal on the last day of racing will be no later than 1430.
- (i) Daily debriefs will be held after racing each day.
- (j) Prize giving will be at Seawanhaka Corinthian Junior Yacht Club as soon as feasible after racing on the last day.

Date	Time	Event
Thursday, Aug 24	1500-1800	Registration open at Seawanhaka Corinthian Junior YC (SCJrYC)
Friday, Aug 25	0815-1700	Registration at SCJrYC (must be completed before sailing)
	0900-1800	Clinic at SCJrYC
Saturday, Aug 26	0900-1200	Clinic at SCJrYC
	1200	Mandatory competitor briefing at SCJrYC; meeting with umpires
	1330	First attention signal
Sunday, Aug 27	0830	Mandatory competitor briefing at SCJrYC
	1000	First attention signal
	1430	No attention signal after this time
	After racing	Prize giving as soon as possible

8.2 Unless excused by the OA, attendance at the following is mandatory:

- (a) Initial briefing for skippers.
- (b) Prize giving for the final skippers and crews.

9 ADVERTISING

9.1 [NP] Boats shall display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

10 [NP] CODE OF CONDUCT

10.1 Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from any official, including attendance at official functions, co-operation with event sponsors and shall behave so to not bring the event into disrepute.

10.2 Competitors and support persons shall handle any equipment and place advertising provided by the organizing authority with care, seamanship, in accordance with any instructions for its use and without interfering with its functionality.

11 COACH BOATS

11.1 The OA will provide coach boats. Individual coach boats will not be permitted.

12 SERVICE ANIMALS

The care and supervision of service animals are the sole responsibility of the sailor or owner of the animal. Service animals shall remain under the control of the sailor or owner at all times and shall be harnessed, leashed or tethered unless such restraint interferes with the service animal's work or the individual's disability prevents such restraint. Service animals shall not accompany the sailor onboard a boat provided by the OA. Sailors using their own personal sailboat shall apply to the OA for permission to take a service

animal afloat during racing. While the sailor is on the water the service animal must be looked after away from the regatta site. The OA will not accept liability for material damage or personal injury resulting from the actions of service animals.

13 [NP] MEDIA, IMAGES, and SOUND

13.1 If required by the OA:

(a) Television personnel and equipment (or dummies) supplied by the OA shall be carried on board while racing.

(b) Competitors shall wear microphones supplied by the OA during racing and be available for interviews when advised by the OA or RC.

(c) Registered skippers shall wear communications equipment supplied by the OA that will allow commentators to communicate with them whilst racing.

13.2 Competitors shall not interfere with the normal working of the OA supplied media equipment.

13.3 Competitors grant, at no cost and in perpetuity, to Oakcliff Sailing and Clagett Sailing the absolute right and permission to use their name, voice, image, likeness, biographical material as well as representations of the boats in any media world-wide (including television, print and internet media), including video footage, for the sole purposes of advertising, promoting, reporting and disseminating information regarding Clagett Sailing and the competitor's participation in the event.

14 RISK STATEMENT

14.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing 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.** Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. Clagett Sailing and its officers, directors and employees, the event volunteers and officials, the event sponsors, and any other member of the regatta 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. A waiver of liability shall be signed by all competitors and shall be considered a document governing the regatta.

15 PRIZES

15.1 There will be prizes for the top three (3) teams.

16 FURTHER INFORMATION

For questions, more information regarding this event, or to request an invitation after the deadline, please email: cmr@clagettsailing.org and regatta@oakcliffsailing.org

17 OA CONTACT INFORMATION

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END OF NOTICE OF RACE-----

Additional Information

Oakcliff Sailing Center has some VHF radios and life jackets that may be borrowed by competitors. Damage deposit will be applied for damage or failure to return.

If you have any dietary concerns please email Brenda Sorg at bmsorg@aol.com and cc Meredith Collins at operations@clagettsailing.org

