



NOTICE OF RACE

Caribbean Dinghy Championships

November 24-26, 2017 (USA Thanksgiving Weekend)

Organizing Authority: Trinidad and Tobago Sailing Association

1. RULES:

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017 – 2020 ('RRS').

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY:

- 2.1 The regatta is open to eight (8) Caribbean islands. Each island may enter only one (1) team to compete for the Caribbean Dinghy Championship.
- 2.2 To enter, please complete the attached entry form and email to academy@ttsailing.org or generalmanager@ttsailing.org no later than Monday, August 7, 2017. Confirmation of entry and entry fee payment must be received by the Organizing Authority by Monday, September 4, 2017.
- 2.3 Due to the limited number of places available, preference will be given to islands based on the following criteria: (1) host country; (2) defending champion island; (3) an island with a full team; (4) island with greatest history of participation in the event; (5) first come first served.

3. BOATS:

- 3.1 The classes will be as follows:
- (a) Optimist – Three (3): one (1) sailor age 12 and under, persons born in or after 2005; one (1) sailor age 15 and under, persons born in or after 2002; one (1) from either age group.
 - (b) Laser Radial
 - (c) Laser Standard
 - (d) Two-Man Dinghy (MR 15 or 420 Class)

4. FEES:

- 4.1 Entry fees are US \$200 per competitor. Included in the entry fee is the equipment as specified in section 7, lunch and dinner on Friday 24 November, breakfast, lunch and dinner on Saturday 25 November, and breakfast and lunch on Sunday 26 November. Drinks and snacks on the water are also included.



- 4.2 Coaches/chaperones can pay US \$150 for meals during the regatta as specified in 4.1 above.
- 4.3 A damage deposit of US \$100 per boat is required and will be returned at the end of the regatta, less the cost of any repairs required as a result of damage caused by the competitor.

5. SCHEDULE:

| Date | Time | Event | Location |
|-----------------------|-----------|--------------------|-------------|
| Friday, November 24 | 1000-1630 | Registration | TTSA |
| | 1800 | Welcome Drinks | TTSA |
| Saturday, November 25 | 0830 | Skippers' Briefing | TTSA |
| | 0930-1200 | Racing | Racing Area |
| | 1330-1630 | Racing | Racing Area |
| Sunday, November 26 | 0900-1300 | Racing | Racing Area |

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AND COURSES:

- 6.1 Sailing Instructions and course maps will be available at least seven (7) days prior to the event and at registration.
- 6.2 Racing will take place in the William's Bay area; exact location to be announced at the skippers' briefing.

7. EQUIPMENT:

- 7.1 TTSA will provide all boats.
- 7.2 For Optimists and Lasers, hulls and spars will be provided but competitors must provide their own sails, ropes and foils.
- 7.3 For MR 15/420, all equipment will be provided.

8. PENALTY SYSTEM:

- 8.1 Rules 44.1 and 44.2 are changed so that only one (1) turn, including one (1) tack and one (1) gybe, is required.
- 8.2 Decisions of the Protest Committee will be final as provided in RRS 70.4.

9. SCORING:

- 9.1 Scoring shall be as per RRS Appendix A.
- 9.2 Each team member's series score shall be:
- when fewer than six (6) races have been completed, the total of his or her race scores;
 - when six (6) or more races have been completed, the total of his or her race scores excluding the worst score.



- 9.3 The Caribbean Dinghy Championship Overall Team Trophy shall be awarded to the team with the lowest combined score from each of the four (4) classes.
- 9.4 For any classes where a team does not have a competitor entered, they shall be scored in that class as one (1) place more than the last placed competitor in that class.
- 9.5 For countries that cannot field a full team, they will be allowed to bring up to three (3) optimist individual sailors but will not be eligible for the Caribbean Dinghy Championship Trophy.
- 9.6 For any ties in the overall scoring, the tie shall be broken in favor of the team with the most 1st place class final results. Should any teams still remain tied after using the above method, the tie shall be broken in favor of the team with the most 2nd place final results, and so forth, until the tie is broken. Should any ties remain, they shall be broken in favor of the team that has the most 1st place finishes in the individual races, until the tie is broken.
- 9.7 One (1) race will constitute a series.

10. SAFETY:

- 10.1 Life jackets must be worn by competitors at all times.

11. PRIZES:

- 11.1 Prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place finishers in each class.
- 11.2 The Caribbean Dinghy Championship trophy will be awarded to the winning team overall, subject to the provisions of NOR 9.5.

12. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY:

- 12.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk (see RRS 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.

13. FURTHER INFORMATION:

- 13.1 For further information or to enter the CDC, contact:

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