



**Notice of Race**  
**2015-2016 Northern California Opti Winter Series Regatta #3**  
**Encinal Yacht Club**  
**February 13-14, 2016**

**1. Eligibility & Fees**

- 1.1 The Optimist Green, White, Red and Blue fleets are invited to participate.
- 1.2 Results will be scored as part of the BAYS 2015-2016 Opti Winter Series
- 1.3 The entry fee for this regatta is \$0. No Lunch or snacks will be provided.
- 1.4 Registration will be online. [REGISTER HERE](#) Advanced registration is HIGHLY encouraged.

**2. Rules:**

- 2.1 The Regatta will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of US Sailing, as modified by the Sailing Instructions for this Regatta.
- 2.2 Competitors are required to carry a bowline of at least fifteen feet attached to a towing point while racing.

**3. Schedule of Events\***

Saturday, February 13, 2016

1100-1130	Registration & Rigging
1200	Skippers' Meeting
1230	First Race
1630	No race started after this time

Sunday, February 14, 2016

1130	Skippers Meeting
1200	First Race
1600	No race started after this time
1700	Awards Presentation at Encinal Yacht Club

\* No lunch will be provided; All times are approximate. .

- 4. **Racing Area** - The race course will be located in the Oakland/Alameda Estuary just in front of EYC.
- 5. **Coaching** - Coaching is not permitted during racing, except that a coach may help a green fleet sailor who is in the back 30% of their fleet. Between races, coaching will be permitted. After finishing, competitors must sail to an area at least 60 feet to starboard of the finish line to meet with their coach/support boats.
- 6. **Safety** - Each competitor must wear adequate buoyancy, properly secured at all times, from dock to dock. Wet suits, dry suits and inflatable PFDs do not constitute adequate personal buoyancy.
  - 6.1 All support boats shall also act as safety boats. All support boats should have adequate First Aid and safety equipment on board as well as a marine VHF.
  - 6.2 Equipment and boat safety checks may be made ashore.
  - 6.3 Competitors must use one sail, one set of spars, one rudder, one daggerboard and one hull for the duration of the regatta. The Jury may permit substitution of damaged equipment after approval.
  - 6.4 All boats must comply with USODA measurement rules and are subject to inspection at any time during the regatta by the jury. This includes, but is not limited to, a proper bowline (with loop at the end) and a bailer.
- 7. **Liability** - Participants compete entirely at their own risk. Each competitor and their parent/guardian must sign a waiver before competing.
- 8. **Prizes** – Prizes will be presented after racing on Sunday to the top 5 overall finishers in the Championship Fleet. Participation medals will be awarded to Green Fleet sailors.
- 9. **Contact Info** - For questions about the regatta please contact EYC Junior Sailing Assistant Director Michael Scott  
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