



MIAMI SAILING WEEK

March 4-15,2020

NOTICE OF RACE Amendment #1

OPTIMIST CHAMPIONSHIP FLEET AND GREEN FLEET

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (2017-2020)
- 1.2. A condition of entry and participation in this regatta is the wearing of a U.S. Coast Guard approved personal flotation device (PFD) or , for international competitors only, an appropriately sized PFD/buoyancy aid as approved for use in the competitor's country of origin. International competitors may be required to self-certify that their PFD/buoyancy aid meets the requirements of this section. All PFDs/buoyancy aids shall be properly secured at all times while on the water, except for brief periods while removing or adding clothing. All PFDs must be suitable for the competitor's weight. Wet suits, dry suits, and inflatable PFDs are not approved nor permitted as PFDs. Failure to wear a proper PFD will result in a penalty up to and including disqualification at the discretion of the protest committee. These changes are added to RRS 40, and the Preamble to Part 4 will not apply to RRS 40.
- 1.3. The following new rule is added:
 - 1.3.1. **61.5 Informing the Race Committee** : In addition to meeting the requirements of RRS 61.1, a boat intending to protest another boat concerning an incident in the racing area that she is involved in or sees shall, at the first reasonable opportunity after she finishes, inform the race committee at the finishing line of her intent to protest and, when applicable, the identity of the protestee.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1. Advertising is restricted in accordance with IODA Class rule 2.8.1.
- 2.2. Boats may be required to display sponsor advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. The regatta is open to all boats of the International Optimist class.
- 3.2. Eligible boats may enter by completing online registration and paying all entry fees and completing the USODA Boat Self-Certification Safety Checklist and the USODA Sailor Code of Conduct.
- 3.3. The Red, Blue and White Fleet assignments will be based on the competitor's age on the first scheduled day of racing, March 14th,2020.

4. FORMAT OF THE REGATTA

- 4.1. The Championship Fleet will race as one division.
- 4.2. Eight (8) Races are scheduled for the Championship Fleet. The Green Fleet will sail as many races as practicable



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- 4.3. As per the NOR 7.3, up to five (5) races may be sailed per day.
- 4.4. There will be a Green Fleet if at least five (5) boats are registered. The Green Fleet is intended for less experienced sailors and will include opportunities for learning and competition.

5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1. Each Sailor shall be present at Check-In. An executed USODA Boat Self-Certification Safety Checklist and USODA Sailor Code of Conduct are required to complete Check-In.
- 5.2. Continental breakfast and lunch will be provided to competitors on each scheduled race day.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.1. The sailing instructions will be available through www.miamisailingweek.com. A printed version will be posted on the official notice board

7. VENUE

- 7.1. The racing area for championship fleet will be due east of Brennan Channel and the racing area for green fleet will be south of the Dinner Key Islands in the vicinity of Ransom Everglades Middle School.

8. COURSES

- 8.1. Courses to be sailed will be included in the Sailing Instructions

9. SCORING

- 9.1. One race shall constitute a regatta
- 9.2. Green Fleet will be scored.

10. SAFETY

- 10.1. Each competitor shall submit a completed USODA Boat Self-Certification Safety Checklist during the regatta site Check-In. This checklist shall inform the race committee that all equipment is present and in working order.
- 10.2. Boats may be subject to a safety inspection at any time during the regatta.
- 10.3. IODA Class Rule 4.2 requires that each competitor shall have "A whistle attached to their personal flotation device at all times while on the water."

11. ADULT RESPONSIBILITY AND SUPPORT VESSELS

- 11.1. All coaches, parents, guardians and 'designated adults' are support persons (See RRS definition support person).
- 11.2. In addition to the requirements of RRS 4, an adult (parent, guardian or designated adult) is responsible for the safety of their competitor if under the age of 18. It is the responsibility of this adult to decide if their competitor should sail in the weather and sea conditions that might arise during the event. The adults supervising the competitors are ultimately responsible for the risks and shall attend all Competitors' Meetings.



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- 11.3. Parents not personally attending any part of the event shall ensure that another adult is authorized and designated to make these decisions for their competitor.
- 11.4. Each competitor shall indicate in writing at Check-In the parent or adult representative that will be responsible for them throughout the event.
- 11.5. The designated adult shall accept full responsibility for all actions of the competitor during any activity related to the event. This includes on-shore activities before, during, and after the regatta.
- 11.6. The organizing authority strongly recommends that each sailor have a support (coach or spectator) vessel on the race course throughout the regatta.
- 11.7. All support vessels shall register during Check-In hours and promptly display a numbered flag supplied by the organizing authority while on the water. A \$20 security deposit will be required which will be returned at the end of the event with the return of the flag.
- 11.8. Each support vessel shall have a working VHF radio and monitor the radio, an anchor suitable for anchoring in the waiting area, and a basic first aid kit.
- 11.9. The conduct of coaches, parents serving on race committee (including safety patrol), registered support vessels, and all other vessels will be governed by the SI and RRS.

12. PRIZES

12.1. Prizes will be awarded to the following

Championship Fleet

- Overall 1st through 5th place
- Red Fleet 1st through 3rd place
- Blue Fleet 1st through 3rd place
- White Fleet 1st through 3rd place

Green Fleet

- Overall 1st through 5th place

12.2. Special Trophies

Championship Fleet

- CanAmerica Cup Awarded to 1st place overall
- Salvador Garçon Memorial Trophy Awarded to top boy and girl finisher that reside within Miami-Dade County.
- Top Girl Awarded to female sailor with the best overall finish.

Green Fleet

- Top Girl Awarded to female sailor with the best overall finish.
- McLaughlin Trophy Awarded to 1st place overall