

# *SEIKO* 49er World Championship

2nd – 9th January 2010

**Freeport, Grand Bahama Island, The Bahamas**

**Hosted by the Grand Bahama Sailing Club and the 49er Int. Class Association  
along with the Bahamas Sailing Association**

## NOTICE OF RACE

### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 No National Authority prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3 The Class and Championship Rules of the International 49er Class Association will apply except any that are altered by the Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions.

### 2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 The 49er is a unrestricted ISAF class except as noted in ISAF Regulation 20.
- 2.2 The Organising Authority may ask competitors to display Event and Class sponsor advertising material. Boats may be asked to carry stickers carrying sponsor advertising provided at registration. These should be attached to the boat in accordance with the instructions provided by the Organisers and displayed in the following areas:
  - Forward 25% of both sides of the hull for Venue Sponsor as per ISAF guidelines.
  - Other advertising as per request from Class and Organising committee. This may be on the jib and mainsail.

### 3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 Competitors shall comply with ISAF Eligibility Rules.
- 3.2 All competitors shall be fully paid-up members of the International 49er Class Association.
- 3.3 Entries should be received by the Organising Authority no later than 30<sup>th</sup> November 2009.
- 3.4 Competitors may enter by visiting the event web site at: <http://www.49erworlds.org/>

### 4. FEES

Entry Fee: \$450 (Until 30<sup>th</sup> November 2009), \$500 (After 30<sup>th</sup> November 2009)  
**Includes the International Class dues for both skipper and crew.**

### 5. QUALIFYING AND FINAL SERIES

There will be a qualifying and final series followed by a medal race.

### 6. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

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| Saturday,  | 2 January | Measurement/Registration/Inspection                          |
| Saturday,  | 2 January | Opening Ceremony   |
| Sunday,    | 3 January | Measurement / Registration/Inspection                        |
| Sunday,    | 3 January | 15:00 Practice Races   |
| Monday,    | 4 January | Qualification Races  |
| Tuesday,   | 5 January | Qualification Races  |
| Wednesday, | 6 January | Qualification Races  |
| Thursday,  | 7 January | Final Races  |
| Friday,    | 8 January | Final Races  |
| Saturday,  | 9 January | Final Races / Medal Race / Prize Giving and Closing Ceremony |

**7. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

- 7.1 All boats will be inspected for class rules compliance prior to racing, according to the Schedule of Events.
- 7.2 Only one set of sails shall be used throughout the duration of the Championship. One forestay shall be used.
- 7.3 Equipment shall only be replaced with permission of the Jury.

**8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The Sailing Instructions will be available at registration.

**9. VENUE**

The 2010 World Championship for 49er will be held at Viva Wyndham Fortuna Beach, Freeport, Grand Bahama Island, Bahamas. For the racing areas see Section 19.

**10. COURSES**

All courses will be windward/leeward with a gate at the leeward end of the course.

**11. PENALTY SYSTEM**

RRS 44.1 and 44.2 is amended so that the Two-Turns penalty is replaced by a One-Turn penalty, including one tack and one gybe.

**12. SCORING AND FORMAT**

- 12.1 The Low Points Scoring System will be used.
- 12.2 Racing will take place in fleets of approximately equal number of boats, except that in the finals no more than 25 boats will sail in the Gold Fleet.
- 12.3 Qualification and final series will be held followed by a medal race.
- 12.4 At the discretion of the Organising Authority, the final round(s) may be of an experimental format.
- 12.5 The courses and format of racing will be detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

**13. SUPPORT BOATS**

- 13.1 Support boats and coach boats shall be marked with their national flag or country code.
- 13.2 Support boats will need to register, if called upon support boats will be required to act as rescue boats.

**14. INTERNATIONAL JURY**

An International Jury (I.J.) will be appointed. Decisions of the International Jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5

**15. PRIZES**

Prizes will be announced and awarded at the end of the finals for the first three places of the Gold and Other Fleet (s) respectively.

**16. DISCLAIMER**

A boat is entirely responsible for her own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing, whether in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions or anywhere else, reduces this responsibility.

It is for the boat to decide whether she is fit to sail in the conditions in which she will find herself. By launching or going to sea, the boat confirms that she is fit for those conditions and her crew is competent to sail and compete in them. See rule 4, Decision to Race.

The boat is required to hold adequate insurance and in particular to hold insurance against third party claims in the sum of at least \$1,000,000. Nothing done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of the boat nor will it make the organisers responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury, however it may have occurred, as a result of the boat taking part in the racing. The

organisers encompass everyone helping to run the race and the event, and include the Organizing Authority, the race committee, the race officers, patrol boats and beachmasters.

The provision of patrol boats does not relieve the boat of her responsibilities

The fact that the race committee conducts inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of the boat set out in this section.

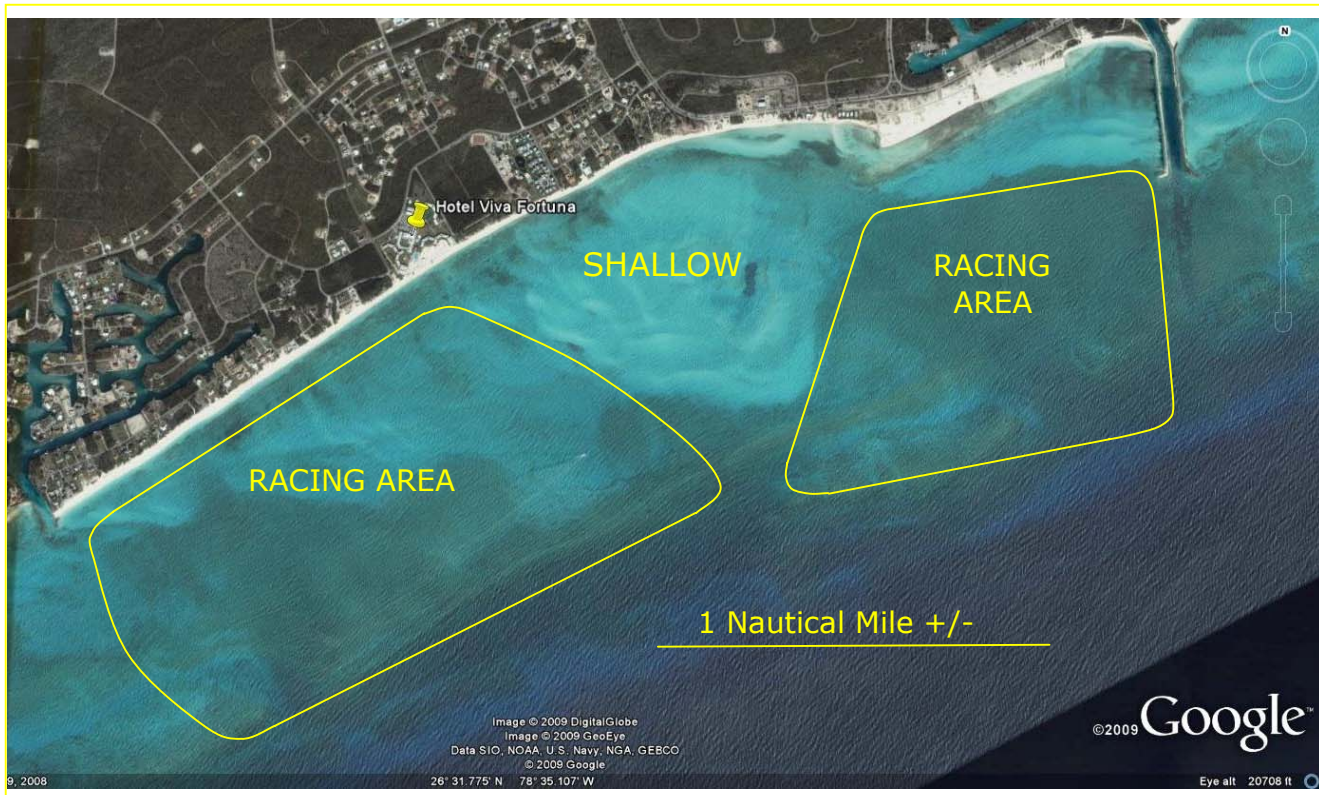
**17 Other useful information:  
ACCOMMODATION**

Competitors in the 49erWorlds 2010 can contact the following address for assistance in Hotel reservations: <http://www.majesticholidays.com/-pl-9-.htm> or the event website : <http://www.49erworlds.org/>

**18 WHERE TO GO, WHAT TO DO AND WEATHER**

For additional information on Grand Bahama Island visit : <http://www.bahamas.com/> and for the weather visit: <http://www.wunderground.com/global/stations/78062.html>

**19 RACING AREAS:**



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