



RS Aero Florida State Championship



February 4-5, 2017

US SAILING Center • Martin County
Jensen Beach, Florida

NOTICE OF RACE

1. Organizing Authority & Host

- 1.1. US SAILING Center of Martin County (USSCMC)

2. Rules

- 2.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 including Appendix T and the rules of the RS Aero Class Association.
- 2.2. By participating in this regatta, a competitor grants to the Organizing Authority and its sponsors the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any photographs, motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him or her during the period of the competition without compensation.
- 2.3. RRS A4.1 and A5 are changed such that boats starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored, DNS. RRS 35 is changed to allow the Race Committee to finish boats in place on the race course if they are unreasonably delaying the completion of a race. RRS 63.1 is changed to also require competitors to inform the Race Committee as soon as possible after finishing of their intention to protest.

3. Eligibility & Entry

- 3.1. The regatta is open to all boats of the RS Aero class.
- 3.2. Eligible crews may be entered by completing entry form, registering with the organizing authority and paying the entry fee.

4. Registration & Fees

- 4.1. The registration fee is \$80. Those registering prior to January 15 will receive a \$30 discount for an entry fee of \$50.
- 4.2. Bagels and coffee will be available before racing each morning.
- 4.3. Lunches, Dinners and post sailing beverages are the responsibility of the individual participants. The USSCMC deck may be utilized for social activities as the individual sailors and class wish.
- 4.4. **Registration fees are non-refundable. Registrations the day of the event will be subject to a \$30 late fee for a total entry fee of \$110.**

- 4.5. A lodging questionnaire will be a required document at check-in. This form will be made available online at www.usscmc.org on the “Upcoming Regattas” webpage and at check-in.
- 4.6. Entry forms may be submitted online through RegattaNetwork.com and will be linked through the Upcoming Regattas page at www.usscmc.org Payment must be made online through Regatta Network or call the USSCMC office for any other payment arrangements.

5. Schedule of Events

5.1. Saturday 4 February	0800-1000 1000 1100	Check-in Competitors’ Meeting First Warning Signal
Sunday 5 February	0930 1030 1500	Competitors’ Meeting First Warning No warning signal after 3:00 pm Recognition Ceremony After Racing

6. Sailing Instructions

- 6.1. Sailing Instructions will be available at check-in and posted on the Official Notice Board.

7. Courses

- 7.1. Courses will be specified in the Sailing Instructions.

8. Scoring

- 8.1. The Low Point Scoring System (Appendix A) shall be used.
- 8.2. Boats will be divided by rig sizes (5, 7, and 9) for starting and scoring. If a rig fleet has fewer than 5 boats entered, it may be started with another fleet.
- 8.3. The number of races scheduled is 8. One completed race shall constitute the regatta.
- 8.4. When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores. When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be total of her race scores excluded her worst score.

9. Prizes

- 9.1. Recognition will be given to the top three boats in each of the eligible RS Aero rig sizes (5, 7, 9) provided the fleet has 5 or more boats. Recognition will also be given for the top junior (under 18) and female skipper, and special recognition may be awarded by the race committee.

10. Safety

- 10.1. All competitors shall wear U.S. Coast Guard approved life jackets, or a life jacket approved by the country of their citizenship or residence, at all times while on the water. Failure to do so is protestable only by the Race Committee and may result in disqualification.

11. Coach and Support Boats

- 11.1. All coach and support boats shall register and prominently fly a designated flag from a staff at all times while on the water
- 11.2. Flags will be available at the south end of the check-in room. A security deposit will be required and returned to you at the end of the event with the return of your flag.

12. Disclaimer of Liability

- 12.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 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. Local Accommodations

- 13.1. Please consider supporting those who support the USSCMC. The following hotels support our Regatta Season and are offering special Regatta Rates:

Holiday Inn – Port St. Lucie 772-337-2200 or 800-459-5044
Best Western – Port S. Lucie 772-878-7600 or 800-528-1234
Courtyard Marriott Oceanside Hutchinson Island 772-229-1000 or 877-905-4501

14. Contact Information

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