



North Cape Yacht Club

NOTICE OF RACE
SNIPE CLASS INTERNATIONAL RACING ASSOCIATION USA

SNIPE U.S. MASTERS
NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP
September 8-10th, 2017

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY:

NORTH CAPE YACHT CLUB

in co-operation with the Snipe Class International Racing Association USA.

1.0 RULES

- 1.1 This regatta is organized under the authority of the North Cape Yacht Club and will be sailed under the management of the North Cape Yacht Club Race Committee. The regatta will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of US Sailing rules 67 and 76.1 except as any of these are changed by the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions and properly posted amendments thereto. The US Sailing prescriptions are available at www.ussailing.org.
- 1.2 The SCIRA Rules of Conduct for National and International Championship Regattas (RoC) will apply.
- 1.3 The following Masters Championship perpetual trophy Deeds of Gift will apply.
- 1.4 RRS 30.3 and 30.4 will not be used.
- 1.5 RRS 32.1 will be changed so that a sustained variation of 40 degrees or more off the posted bearing during the first lap shall result in the race being abandoned and re-sailed or abandoned. For the purpose of this rule a lap means the rounding of downwind mark for the first time.
- 1.6 RRS 32.2 will be changed to require at least one windward legs before shortening the course.
- 1.7 RRS 32 and 33 will be changed to limit course changes.
- 1.8 RRS 35 will be changed to provide that boats not finishing within 30 minutes after the first boat to finish will be scored "Did Not Finish" without a hearing.
- 1.9 RRS 62.2 and 66 will be changed to shorten the time for requesting redress and the requesting that a hearing be re-opened on the last day of racing.
- 1.10 RSS 64.2 will be changed to compel the Jury/PC to abandon a race as required by RoC 18.
- 1.11 If there is conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2.0 ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Advertising is permitted in accordance with WS Regulation 20.
- 2.2 Boats may be requested to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3.0 ENTRY AND ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1. This regatta is open to SCIRA registered boats and Class Member skippers (and crews for National and International Championships) who are in good standing with SCIRA for the current year, subject to any Deed of Gift restrictions.
- 3.2. No skipper or crew shall be eligible to enter any Class championship race unless:
 - a. they possess and present a current Class Membership Card, or
 - b. SCIRA-issued equivalent, or
 - c. shows as current member in the SCIRA Official Online Database.

4.0 FEES

- 4.1 Fees are stated in US Dollars and Entries will have an entry fee of \$300.
- 4.2 Entry fee includes social package consisting of Breakfast and Dinners for Skipper and Crew as outlined in the Event Information page.

5.0 SCHEDULE

- 5.1 The Regatta Venue at the North Cape Yacht Club is open to competitors on Wednesday September 6th, 2017.
- 5.2 Competitors shall enter by completing the entry form available on the event website <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/15362> or the snipeusa.org website and mail back to Matt Heywood, 606 Briarwood Court, Ann Arbor, Michigan, 48103.
- 5.3 On Site Registration and Check-in for competitors and coaches is scheduled for Thursday September 7th between 1800-2000 and on Friday September 8th 14th 0800-1000 at the North Cape Yacht Club house.
- 5.4 The briefing for competitors and coaches is scheduled for 1100 on Friday September 8th, 2017, at the North Cape Yacht Club.
- 5.5 The First Warning Signal for racing on Friday, Saturday is 1100 and Sunday is 1000. On the last day of racing, no warning signal will be made after 1300. The Awards ceremony will follow the close of the protest deadline at the North Cape Yacht Club on Sunday September 10th, 2017.

6.0 MEASUREMENT

- 6.1 All boats shall produce a valid measurement certificate and are subject to measurement at any time at the reasonable discretion of the Class or Race Committee.
- 6.2 All boats are required to have a current Class decal properly displayed.

7.0 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available at the registration desk or on-line on or before registration September 7th, 2017. Other documents for the event will be published with the sailing instructions. A printed copy of the sailing instructions will be posted on the notice board at the sailing center.

8.0 VENUE

- 8.1 Races will be sailed on Lake Erie, approximately 1 mile East of the Club house and either ½ mile North or South of the Yacht Club cut.

9.0 COURSES

- 9.1 The courses to be sailed are the Class approved courses for SNIPE U.S. MASTERS NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP regattas as published in the current SCIRA Official Rulebook and SCIRA web site.

10.0 SCORING

- 10.1 The Low Point System, RRS Appendix A, will apply, modified so that each boats regatta score will be the total of her race scores, with her worst score discarded if more than 5

races have been completed. Eight races are scheduled, of which three races shall be completed to constitute a regatta.

11.0 SUPPORT BOATS

- 11.1 All coach boats and support boats must register on-line or in-person.
- 11.2 All coach boats and support boats are required to monitor the course channel on a VHF radio and be available to assist with safety when requested.

12.0 INSURANCE

- 12.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.

13.0 Radio Communication

- 13.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats.
- 13.2. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

14.0 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 14.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4 Decision to Race. The North Cape Yacht Club and organizers will not be liable for material damage, loss, death, or personal injury in conjunction with the event.

15.0 PRIZES

- 15.1 The top three placing skippers and crews in the overall standings and 1st place in each age group.
- 15.2 The U.S. Masters Championship Trophy will be awarded to the top US Skipper as defined per Deed of Gift.

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