

# MIDWINTERS EAST - SOUTH

March 29<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019

## CLEARWATER SAILING CENTER – CLEARWATER FLORIDA

### ORGANIZING AUTHORITY:

#### Red Gear Racing and Hobie Division 8

##### 1. Rules

- 1.1. The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. In the event there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.

##### 2. Advertising

- 2.1. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

##### 3. Eligibility and Entry

- 3.1. Regatta is open to all Beach Catamarans including Hobie 14, 16, 17, 18, 20, wave and F16, F18, Nacra 15, Weta Classes.
- 3.2. As per IHCA Class rule 26, all members of the crew must be members in good standing of the class association.
- 3.3. Teams may enter online through the Regatta Network by March 15, 2019
- 3.4. Late entries after March 15<sup>th</sup> will be accepted with an additional fee.

##### 4. Fee

- 4.1. Required Fees are as follows:

###### Single handed:

Before 03/15/19: \$100

After 03/15/19: \$125

###### Double handed:

Before 3/15/19: \$145 USD

After 3/15/19: \$170 USD

##### 5. Schedule (tentative)

###### 5.1. Registration:

Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup>, 1500-1800

Friday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, 0830-1000

- 5.2. A competitors meeting will be scheduled for 1030 on Friday March 29<sup>th</sup>.

###### 5.3. Racing – First Warning signal

5.3.1. Friday March 29<sup>th</sup>, 1200

5.3.2. All other days, 1100

5.3.3. No warning signal will be made later than 1530 on Sunday March 31<sup>st</sup>. This does not apply to races that are re-started or re-sailed.

5.3.4. A practice race may be scheduled for Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup> and will be announced onsite.

##### 6. Sailing Instructions

6.1. Sailing instructions will be available on the Regatta Network website and will be available onsite.

6.2. Online SI's may be changed up to 1800 Thursday March 28, 2019 without a posted amendment.

##### 7. Venue

7.1. The regatta venue is Clearwater Sailing Center, located in Clearwater FL USA

7.2. Racing will be conducted in the waters of the Clearwater bay and/or the Gulf of Mexico

##### 8. Penalty System

8.1. For all classes, rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turn penalty is replaced by a One-Turn Penalty.

##### 9. Scoring

9.1. 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

9.2. When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boats score will be the total of her races scores.

**9.3.** When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## **10. Radio Communications**

**10.1.** Boats may carry personal radios but, unless for an emergency all radios shall be turned off while racing. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

## **11. Prizes**

**11.1.** Prizes will be awarded as deemed by the Organizing Authority

## **12. Disclaimer of Liability**

**12.1.** Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

## **13. Insurance**

**13.1.** Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-part liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$100,000 per incident of the equivalent. Please bring your certificate of insurance with you.

## **14. Charter boats**

**14.1.** Boats may be available for Charter. For H16s please contact Jason Sanchez , [Jmsgroupcontracting@gmail.com](mailto:Jmsgroupcontracting@gmail.com).  
Or Fred Weidig, [Hobiefred@gmail.com](mailto:Hobiefred@gmail.com).

## **15. Accommodations**

**15.1.** **Sheraton Sand Key,**  
[www.sheratonsandkey.com](http://www.sheratonsandkey.com) 1-727-595-1611  
Special group rates are available at the above locations by mentioning the event. Early bookings are recommended.

**15.2.** Further accommodation information is available through Visit St Pete Clearwater, [www.visitstpeteclearwater.com](http://www.visitstpeteclearwater.com), or AirBnb. Check the Hobie Div 8 Facebook Page for updated accommodation recommendations. Clearwater is a busy Tourism location and early reservations are recommended.

## **16. Further information**

**16.1.** Jason Sanchez,  
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