



US MATCH RACING CHAMPIONSHIP  
GROUP D/F AREA QUALIFIER  
September 5<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup>, 2014

NOTICE OF RACE

1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY The Organizing Authority (OA) is US Sailing.

2. VENUE

The venue will be the Titusville Municipal Marina, 451 Marina Road on the Indian River next to the Kennedy Space Center in Titusville, Florida USA.

3. EVENT GRADING

This event has applied for ISAF Grade 5. This grading is subject to review by the ISAF. The events may be re-graded when there is clear reason to do so.

4. PROVISIONAL PROGRAM (all times are Eastern Daylight Time)

4.1 Schedule:

Host Club Lake Baldwin Florida Community Sailing LLC

Onsite Registration, Crew Weighing, & Practice September 5, 1200-1700

Additional Onsite Registration September 6, 0800-0840

1<sup>st</sup> Day Practice 10:00 – 18:00

2<sup>nd</sup> Day Skipper Briefing 0845 0900

2<sup>nd</sup> Day Warning 10:00

2<sup>nd</sup> Day after Completion of match racing competitors can practice for a demonstration 2 on 2 keelboat team race conducted on the same match race course on Sept 7, 2014.

4.2 Unless excused by the OA, skipper attendance at all briefings is mandatory.

5. SKIPPERS ELIGIBILITY

5.1 A maximum of 6 skippers can register for the qualifier event.

5.2 The competition is between yacht clubs and sailing organizations that are members of US Sailing and is not between specifically designated persons. Clubs represented must be from US Sailing Area D or F. Skipper and crew currently not a member of a club or sailing organization in Area D or F can join the Lake Baldwin Florida Community Sailing LLC organization at registration to be eligible to compete in this event.

5.3 Each member of the crew must be a current member of US Sailing and of a club that is a current US Sailing member. Eligible crews do not have to be members of the sailing organization or club represented by the eligible skipper. The yacht club or sailing organization represented is the Skipper's Club.

5.4 The registered skipper shall helm the boat at all times while racing, except in an emergency.

5.5 All competitors shall meet the eligibility requirements of ISAF regulation 19.2.

## 6. ENTRIES

6.1 Entering: Each team shall be considered entered only on completion of registration.

6.3 Registration fee: Each skipper shall complete registration online at the website below. A non-refundable registration fee of \$50 shall be paid by credit card at: [www.regattanetwork.com/event/8442](http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/8442)

## 6.4 Damage Deposit

a. There is no damage deposit in this event.

## 7. RULES

7.1 The event will be governed by the current rules as defined in the 2013 - 2016 Racing Rules of

Sailing (RRS), RRS Appendix C, and the 2012 USMRC Conditions for this regatta.

7.2 Conflicts between the Conditions for this regatta and this Notice of Race (NOR) will be resolved in favor of the Conditions. If there is a conflict between the NOR and the Sailing Instructions (SIs), it will be resolved in favor of the SIs. This changes RRS 63.7.

7.3 Competitors in US Sailing championships or qualifiers for US Sailing championships shall wear a U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) approved personal floatation device (PFD) while on the water, other than for brief periods while adding or removing clothing.

7.4 The US Sailing Prescriptions to Rule 60, 63.2 and 63.4 do not apply for events organized under this Notice of Race.

7.5 The rules for the handling of boats will apply, and will also apply to any practice sailing. Class rules will not apply.

7.6 Add to RRS 41: (e) help to recover from the water and return on board a crew member provided the return on board is at the approximate location of the recovery.

7.7 RRS C8.6 and C6.3 will be changed in the Sailing Instructions

## 8. BOATS AND SAILS

8.1 The events will be sailed in Geary 18 type keelboats.

8.2 A mainsail, jib, and spinnaker will be provided for each boat.

8.3 Each boat will be supplied with a code flag "Y", a red protest flag, code flag "L" breakdown flag and both yellow and blue identification flags.

8.5 Boats assignments will be determined by the host race committee using a random assignment process. Every effort will be made to have equitable boat assignments. The process by which boat assignments are determined shall not be grounds for redress. This changes Rule 62.1.

8.6 Boats are supplied by the host club. It is of the utmost importance that they be treated with care at all times.

## 9. CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)

9.1 The number of crew including the skipper shall be 3, with a maximum

combined crew weight of 577 lbs when wearing at least shorts and a shirt. A crew list shall be named at event registration and all registered crew shall sail all races unless permission is granted for an alternate as outlined in NOR 9.2 and 9.3 below.

9.2 After a Qualifier event starts, with the permission of the OA, a designated alternate may replace any member of a team aboard before any race or flight of a given match, but only in the event of an emergency affecting a regular team member. See: <http://championships.ussailing.org/Committee/Conditions.htm>

9.3 Race starts will not be delayed and replacement crew must weigh within 25 pounds of the replaced crew, but not increase the team total over the team weight limit. If a team does not bring a designated alternate to the regatta, the OA may allow a substitute alternate at discretion.

#### 10. EVENT FORMAT

10.1 The event will consist of the following stage: all skippers will sail a double round robin.

10.2 The OA may change the format, terminate, or eliminate any round when conditions do not permit the completion of the intended format.

#### 11. COURSE

11.1 The courses will be windward-leeward with starboard roundings and finishing downwind.

11.2 The intended course area is adjacent to the Titusville Municipal Marina.

12. ADVERTISING Teams are allowed to display their sponsors advertising.

13. PRIZES With 6 teams competing the top two finishing teams will be awarded an invitation to the USMRC Finals to be held on San Francisco Bay at the St. Francis Yacht Club on October 3-5, 2014. With 4 teams competing the top team will be awarded and invitation to the USMRC Finals.

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#### 15. COACH BOATS

15.1 Coach boats are not to be used.

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#### 17. DISCLAIMER

All those taking part in the event do so at their own risk. The OA, its sponsors, their agents, employees, representatives, trustees, members, race committee, and officials accept no responsibility for any loss, damage, injury or inconvenience incurred, howsoever caused.

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19. US SAILING REGULATION 10.01 (C) PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES

19.1 For adult US Sailing championship events, no competitor shall use, either on or off the water: marijuana or any other controlled substance (as defined in 21 U.S. Code 802) the possession of which is unlawful under 21 is illegal in some states.

19.2 For junior or youth competitors in any US Sailing championship, no participant or competitor shall use, either on or off the water: marijuana or any other controlled substance (as defined in 21 U.S. Code 802) the possession of which is unlawful under 21 U.S. Code 841, or alcoholic beverages (distilled spirits, wine and beer, each as defined in chapter 51 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code and intended for beverage use).

19.3 An alleged breach of one of these regulations shall not be grounds for a protest. However, when the protest committee believes that a competitor may have breached one of these regulations, it shall follow the process described in racing rule 69.1, and a competitor found to have breached one of these regulations shall be excluded from the remaining races of the series and, where practicable, removed from the regatta venue and sent home. The competitor's boat shall be disqualified from all races of the series.

## 20. INFORMATION AND RACE CONTACTS

For answers to questions, more information regarding this event, or to request an invitation, please contact: Larry Landrigan email [matchracingtitusville@hotmail.com](mailto:matchracingtitusville@hotmail.com) Cell phone 407-467-8787

21. Information and registration for the 2K Keelboat 3 on 2 Team Race is at [www.regattanetwork.com/event/8470](http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/8470)  
[www.2kteamracing.com](http://www.2kteamracing.com)