

Coconut Grove Sailing Club

2016 North American Championship Regatta

For the following classes:

The 470 North American Championship for Men and Mixed Crews,
The Women's 470 North American Championship for Women Crews
The International 420 North American Championship

January 16 – 18, 2016 – Miami, Florida
Coconut Grove Sailing Club (CGSC)

The Organizing Authority is the Coconut Grove Sailing Club.

NOTICE OF RACE

1. Rules

1.1 - The Regatta will be governed by the Rules as defined in the 2013-2016 ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing.

1.2 - The Equipment Rules of Sailing will apply to the extent they are referenced into the respective Class Rules.

1.3 - No Class Rule change will apply.

1.4 - US Sailing Prescriptions rule 61.4, Appendix R, and prescriptions to rules 67, 70.5(a) and 76.1 will apply and will be posted on the Official Notice Board at CGSC.

1.5 - If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2. Advertising

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

3. Eligibility and Entry

3.1 - The Regatta is open to boats of the above listed Classes where the competitors comply with ISAF Regulation 19. Each crew member of a competing boat shall be national or ordinarily resident of the nation where the National Authority the crew intends to represent is established.

3.2 - For the 470 Class, participating crews in the Regatta shall be designated by their National Class Association or by their National Authority where there is no National Association. Only crews in good standing with the respective International Class Associations may participate, meaning: each crew member shall be member of a National Class Association affiliated to the National Authority or of the International Class Association when there is no National Association in the concerned country.

3.3 - Crew modifications following the on-line entry deadline (see NOR 3.6, below) must be approved by the Principal Race Officer of the circle where boats of that Class are racing.

3.4 - Boats shall comply with the Class Rules and have a valid measurement form, when applicable. The sail number shall conform to the Class Rules.

3.5 - Eligible boats must enter on-line by going to the event website:

<http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/11233>

and completing the on-line Entry Form, including sail number, crew name and the fee section. This must be completed by 1700 Wednesday, January 13th or entry will not be accepted. On-site Check-In as scheduled per NOR 6.1 is also required

On-line entries completed after 1700 Wednesday the 13th will be accepted at the discretion of the Race Committee

4. Fees

The entry fee for all boats is US\$150.

5. Regatta Format

5.1 - The Regatta will consist of a fleet race series. Nine races are scheduled. There will not be a practice race. There will not be a Medal Race. No more than four races will be sailed per day.

5.2 - Depending on the number of entries, 470 Men's/Mixed Classes and Women's Classes may race together or in separate fleets.

6. - Schedule

6.1 -

Friday, January 15	1530 – 1800	Check-In at CGSC
	1800	Competitors Meeting at CGSC
	~1830	Social Gathering with Appetizers at CGSC
Saturday, January 16	1130	First Warning Signal
Sunday, January 17	1130	First Warning Signal
Monday, January 18	1130	First Warning Signal
	1600	Latest time for an <u>Initial</u> First Warning Signal
	TBD	Closing Ceremony with Appetizers at CGSC

6.2 - Closing Ceremony: January 18th as soon as practical after the last race, at CGSC.

7. Measurements

In accordance with Racing Rule 78, competitors are responsible for maintaining their boat in accordance with the Class Rules (for the purpose of Racing Rule 78, competitors are considered to be the owners). Measurement inspections at random during the Regatta may be organized.

8. Sailing Instructions

The Sailing Instructions will be posted on the event website by 1200 Friday, January 15th and provided to competitors at Check-In.

9. Venue

The race course will be located in the waters of Biscayne Bay between Key Biscayne and Coconut Grove, SSE of the Club.

Shore-bases: 470's shall be shore-based at the USSailing Center. International 420's shall be shore-based at CGSC.

10. The Courses

10.1 - Course types will be the Trapezoid (with outer loop or with inner loop) or Windward-Leeward courses.

10.2 - Length of courses will be adapted according to wind strength in order to have expected race durations that generally conform to the race target times of the two classes.

11. Scoring

11.1 - The Low Points Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply. When fewer than six races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores.

11.2 - When six or more races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

11.3 - Only one race is required to constitute a series.

12. Support Boats

12.1 - Support boats, including coach boats, shall register at Check-In and be marked with the flag issued to them at Check-In which shall be displayed at all times during the event

12.2 - Support boats may be called upon to act as rescue boats and shall monitor the Race Committee VHF channel while on the water during the event.

13. Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the Regatta entirely at their own risk. See Racing Rule 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority and all parties involved in the Regatta organization 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.

14. Prizes

14.1 - Trophies will be awarded to the top three finishers in each class. There is a shared perpetual trophy for the 470 Classes.

15. Further Information

15.1 - For further information, please visit <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/11233>.

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