

# 12-13 March 2016 Windmill Midwinter Regatta Rev-7 Notice of Race

# Clearwater Community Sailing Center 1001 Gulf Blvd., Clearwater, Fl 33767 phone: 727-517-7776

- 1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY (OA) is the Clearwater Community Sailing Center
- 2. <u>RULES</u> The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and Windmill Class Association (WCA) class By-Laws.
- **3.** <u>ADVERTISING</u> Advertising shall be in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20. Competitors may be required to display graphics on the side of their hulls; these graphics will be supplied by the OA.
- **4.** <u>ELIGIBILITY</u> The regatta is open to all boats that are registered with the Windmill Class Association. All skippers for the Windmill Midwinter Championship shall be a 2016 "Active" WCA member in good standing and have paid all event fees before becoming official competitors.
- **5. BOATS & MEASUREMENT** All Windmill boat hulls, sails and foils shall meet the measurement standards as prescribed in the Windmill Class Association By-Laws.
- **6.** <u>REGISTRATION AND FEES</u> The entry fee includes 2 days of racing, continental breakfast, lunches and Saturday night dinner for captain and crew.
- 6.1 The entry fee is \$ 100.00 per boat on or before entry deadline at midnight 1 March 2016. After Midnight 1 March 2016 a late fee of \$25.00 will apply.
- 6.2 Competitors shall register online at clearwatercommunitysailing.org or regatta network or completing the Event Registration Form and submitting it with proof of US Sailing membership to (OA).

### 7. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

#### Saturday 12 March 2016

0830 - 0930 AM Registration & check-in

1000 AM Skippers meeting and lunch pick up.

1100 AM First Warning

#### Sunday 13 March 2016 Will be sailed using Day Light Savings Time.

0930 Harbor Start

1000 AM First Warning

1400 No races will be started after this time.

Awards presentation as Soon As Possible after last race.

**8.** <u>VENUE</u> – Racing will take place in the Clearwater Bay or the Gulf of Mexico. The courses will be described in the Sailing Instructions available at registration.



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- 9. SCORING The Low point scoring system, RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 9.1 Three (3) races are required to constitute a sanctioned Windmill Midwinter Championship. One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 9.2 When (5) or fewer races have been completed, a boat's regatta score will be the total of all her race scores. If more than (5) races have been completed, one race will be excluded in accordance with WCA By-Law XII.6.F. This changes RRS A2.
- 10. PRIZES Competitors placing first through fifth will be awarded prizes.
- **11. SAFETY** A CE or USCG approved personal flotation device shall be worn, properly fastened, at all times while launching and when sailing. Failure to comply with this rule may result in disqualification.
- 11.1 A boat retiring from a race shall notify a Race Committee vessel before leaving the course, or when that is impossible, with the Onshore Check-in Station at CCSC immediately after arrival ashore.
- **12.** <u>MEDIA RIGHTS</u> By participating in this regatta, a competitor (or parent/guardian if under age 18) grants to the OA 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.

#### 13. DISCIPLINE

All competitors are expected to maintain the highest level of conduct throughout the entire event. After a proper hearing the penalty may range from a reprimand to dismissal from the regatta and additional action may be taken under RRS 69. Hearings will be held generally in accordance with the recommendations of Appendix M5 of the RRS. The officers for hearing a violation will consist of the Chief Judge, acting as chairman of the hearing, the Protest Committee and the event chair.

#### 14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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.

### 15. FURTHER INFORMATION

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