

NOTICE OF RACE INTERNATIONAL I-420 MID WINTER CHAMPIONSHIP

Organizing Authority: Miami Yacht Club Youth Sailing Foundation February 17-19, 2018

1. VENUE

Miami Yacht Club and the surrounding waterways. Miami Yacht Club is located at 1001 MacArthur Causeway, Miami, FL, 33132

2. RULES

- 2.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2017-2020 Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 2.2 The I-420 Class rules will apply.
- 2.3 No class rules change will apply.
- 2.4 Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, will apply.
- 2.5 Appendix T, Alternative Procedures for Dispute Resolution, will apply.
- 2.6 This is a protected competition for the I-420 class (per US Sailing Regulation 12.03). The expedited appeal process is available for this class (see Appendix R, Procedures for Appeals and Requests, rule R8, Expedited Appeals).

3. ADVERTISING AND BOW NUMBER

Boats may be required to display bow numbers and/or advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority.

4. EVENT FORMAT

The event shall consist of up to 10 scheduled races.

5. EVENT SCHEDULE

Saturday, February 17

Check In & Registration	08:30-10:00
Competitors Meeting	10:00
First Warning Signal	12:00
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Sunday, February 18

Competitors Meeting	09:00
First Warning Signal	11:00
Sailor Pasta Dinner	05:00

Monday, February 19

Competitors Meeting	09:00
First Warning Signal	11:00

Awards Upon Completion of Racing.

On the last scheduled day of racing (02/19/2018) there will be no warning signal after 14:00

6. ELIGIBILITY

- 6.1 The championship is open to all boats of the International I-420 Class.
- 6.2 All sailors must be current members of US Sailing (www.ussailing.org) and the US I-420 Class Association (http://www.USI420.org).
- An athlete seeking to qualify for the 2018 World Sailing Youth Championships must meet the selection criteria specified at: http://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/12/YWQ-2018-Selection-Criteria-and-Code-of-Conduct-Dec-7-2017-v2.pdf

7. REGISTRATION

- 7.1 Competitors shall register on-line via http://www.regattanetwork.com
- 7.2 Entry fee per boat: \$250 on or before January 16. Fee will increase to \$275 on January 17 thereafter.

Note: Registered sailors only show up on Regatta Network if they have completed the registration with payment!

8. MEASUREMENT

Each boat shall comply with the equipment measurement rules of the International I-420 class and may be inspected for compliance at any time during the regatta at the discretion of the Protest Committee or the Organizing Authority.

9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available on the 2018 I-420 Midwinters Regatta page on RegattaNetwork.com no later than February 12, 2018.

10. SAFETY REGULATIONS

Competitors shall comply US Coast Guard 33 CFR 175.15. Competitors shall wear PFDs as outlined in the I-420 class rules. (see Class rule C.3, C.3.1)

11. COURSES

Depending on class size and weather conditions, the courses sailed will be at the discretion of the PRO.

12. SCORING

- 12.1 The Low Point Scoring System, Appendix A2, shall be used except as modified below.
- 12.2.1 A minimum of 3 races must be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 12.2.2 (a) When fewer than five (5) races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - (b) When five (5) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

13. PRIZES

- 13.1 The first three teams in each fleet shall receive an award.
- 13.2 The first all-female team shall receive an award.
- 13.3 Prizes will be given to both members of a team.
- 13.4 This event is the second of a two-event qualifier for the 2018 U.S. Youth Worlds Team: http://www.ussailing.org/olympics/selection/youth-worlds/.

14. COACH BOAT AND SUPPORT PERSONNEL

All registered support boats shall act as rescue boats in case of need (more details in Sailing Instructions). Private Spectator Boats will be permitted with specific conditions outlined in the sailing instructions.

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY AND INSURANCE

Competitors participate in the regatta at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority shall not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during or after the event. Each competitor shall have valid third party insurance with a minimum cover \$1,000,000. Each participant warrants the suitability of his or her boat for the event.

16. RIGHTS TO USE NAMES & LIKENESSES

By participating in the regatta competitors automatically grant to the International I-420 Class Association and to the Organizing Authority and their sponsors, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of the athlete during the period of the competition without compensation.

17 PROCEDURES FOR PROTECTED COMPETITIONS

- 17.1 US Sailing Regulation 12.03, Protected Competitions, will be in effect for this event. The following rules and procedures will apply:
 - a) The US Sailing prescriptions to rules 60, 63.2, and 63.4 shall apply to a Protected Competition, except that the words "when practicable" in the first sentence of the prescription to rule 63.4 are deleted.
 - b) Protest committees shall include 20% "sailor-athlete" representation. "Sailor-athlete" has the meaning of "athlete" set forth in USOC Bylaw, Section 8.8.2 (the 10-year rule) or Level A or B Sailor-Athlete as defined by US Sailing Sailor Athlete Council (SAC) Bylaws 3.3.1 and 3.3.2 (except that the US Sailing member class referred to in SAC Bylaw 3.3.2.3 shall be an international class recognized by World Sailing at the time of the sailor-athlete's qualification).
 - c) The right of appeal will not be denied under rule 70.5 (a), (b), or (c), but an expedited appeal process may be used that balances the needs of the competitor for certainty with respect to berths in future competitions and sufficient time to prepare the arguments and evidence for the appeal.
 - d) Any boat that is a party to a redress hearing may be represented by up to two individuals. This changes rule 63.3(a).
 - e) If a hearing is scheduled after the event is concluded and after the sailors and officials have left the venue, it will be scheduled as soon as possible, and in a place and manner chosen with deference to the competitor's preferences or circumstances; and parties to the hearing have the right to be present telephonically or via video feed as appropriate, provided all participants can hear and speak to each other.

17.2 The following rule changes shall be made:

- a) Rule 65.2 is changed as follows: "seven days" is changed to "24 hours"; and "promptly" is changed to ", within 24 hours,".
- b) Rule 66 is deleted and replaced by:

Rule 66 REOPENING A HEARING

- i. The protest committee may reopen a hearing when it decides that it may have made a significant error, or when significant new evidence becomes available within a reasonable time. However, if an appeal of its decision has been sent to the national authority, the hearing shall not be reopened unless the national authority requires reopening under rule R5.4 or decides the appeal cannot be considered.
- ii. A party to the hearing may ask for a reopening no later than 24 hours after being informed of the decision. On the last scheduled day of racing the request shall be delivered (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting *party* was informed of the decision on the previous day; and (b) no later than 30 minutes after the *party* was informed of the decision on that day

- iii. When a hearing is reopened, a majority of the members of the protest committee shall, if possible, be members of the original protest committee.
- c) Rule 70.2 is deleted.

18 EXPEDITED APPEALS PROCEDURE

The expedited appeals system in rule R8, Expedited Appeals, will be used: http://www.ussailing.org/race-officials/rules-and-appeals/expedited-appeals/

19 EQUIPMENT STORAGE AT MIAMI YACHT CLUB

- 18.1 All competitors and coaching personnel must check in with Florencia Barletta (MYCYSF) before arriving with equipment to be stored at MYC. There will be a 2 day grace period without charge before and after event.
- 18.2 Fees for storage for different equipment (Ribs/I420's/Trailers) will apply before 2/15/18 and after 2/21/18. Sailor must email Florencia@mycyouthsailing.org to get fee prices and make arrangements on arrival dates.
- 18.3 Equipment left at MYC without checking in with Florencia, will be towed at owners expense.

20 REGATTA CONTACTS

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