



QUALIFYING REGATTA FOR THE UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE TO THE 2019 PAN AMERICAN GAMES
(PAG) FOR THE INTERNATIONAL SNIPE CLASS

and

THE RON PAYNE MEMORIAL REGATTA

Racing April 5, 6 & 7, 2019

Measurement April 4, 2019 (Subject to Paragraph 6)

Registration Closes March 31, 2019 (Subject to Paragraphs 3(a)
(iv), 3(a)(v) and 5)

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

SNIPE CLASS INTERNATIONAL RACING ASSOCIATION

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 National prescriptions of US Sailing will apply.
- 1.3 The Rules of Conduct (ROC) for Conducting National and International Championships and the trophy restrictions of the Deed of Gift for the Ron Payne Memorial Regatta will apply. Any conflict arising between the Deed of Gift and the SCIRA Rules of Conduct shall be solved by the application of the Rules of Conduct.
- 1.4 In case of conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instruction the Sailing Instructions shall prevail.
- 1.5 The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Lauderdale Yacht Club.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located at the LYC Sailing Center.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 on the day before it will take effect.
- 3.2 Any change or amendment to the Sailing Instructions shall be approved by the SCIRA Representative.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the LYC Sailing Center.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP.
- 4.3 When flag Y is displayed ashore, rule 40 applies at all times while afloat. This changes the Part 4 preamble.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 Dates of racing are April 5, 6 & 7, 2019
- 5.2 The Race Committee shall attempt to complete eight races.
- 5.3 No more than three (3) races shall be sailed per day.
- 5.4 The scheduled time of the warning signal on April 5 & 6 is 1100 and 1000 on April 7.
- 5.5 On the last day of scheduled racing no warning signal will be made after 1430.

6 CLASS FLAGS

The official Class Flag shall be the Snipe Class flag, a Snipe on a white background.

- 7 RACING AREAS
The Racing Area location is approximately one mile south of the Port Everglades channel.
- 8 WEATHER LIMITATION (Course and Starting)
8.1 If the wind speed is less than 5 knots or exceeds 23 knots the R.C. shall not start a race.
8.2 If during the race the wind speed goes over the maximum (23 knots) wind speed for more than 3 consecutive minutes, the race shall be abandoned (this change RRS 32.1).
- 9 THE COURSES
9.1 The diagrams attached show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs and the order in which marks are to be passed. All course marks shall be left to port.
9.2 The course signal (“W”, “T”, “O”, “WD”, “TD” or “OD”) shall be displayed on a white board located on the signal boat not less than one minute before the warning signal. It shall remain displayed for ten minutes after the start.
9.3 No later than the warning signal, the Race Committee Signal Boat will display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.
9.4 If during a race the wind and/or wave action changes to the point where the selected course would be inadvisable (See Course Selection Diagram), the Race Committee may change the course at any mark. A change of a course during the race shall be signalled displaying the new appropriate course flag accompanied by repetitive sounds before the leading boat has passed or rounded the mark.
9.5 The number of legs in a race may be reduced (RRS code flag S) but at least 2 (two) windward legs of the race are required for a race to be scored. This change RRS 32.2. [*The SCIRA Representative should be consulted.*]
9.6 A sustained wind variation of 20 degrees or more from the posted bearing during the first leg of a race shall result in the race to be abandoned and re-sailed, or abandoned. This change RRS 32.1.
9.7 A sustained wind variation of 40 degrees or more of the posted bearing during the first lap shall result in the race being abandoned and re-sailed, or abandoned. For the purpose of this rule a lap means the rounding of mark “L” for the first time.(This change RRS 32.1.)
- 10 MARKS
10.1 Marks “W”, “R” and “L” will be large orange tetrehedrons.
10.2 New marks, as provided in instruction 13.1, will be Yellow.
10.3 The starting mark “S” will be yellow.
10.4 The finishing mark may be yellow or an orange ball.
- 11 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS
An area of 100 yards radius around boats or floats displaying a dive flag.
- 12 THE START
12.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26.
12.2 The starting line will be between the mast of an orange flag on the Race Committee Signal Boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port end starting mark.
12.3 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.
12.4 RRS 30.4 (‘Black Flag Rule’) shall not be used.
12.5 The Race Committee, after the finish of a race and before the warning signal of a subsequent one, will do its best to post on the Race Committee boat a list of OCS and/or ZPF boats. The failure of posting or an incomplete or wrong list will not be grounds for redress.
- 13 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE
13.1 Changes to the next leg of the course shall be made using RRS 33. To change the next leg of the course, the Race Committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
13.2 After the completion of the first windward leg of the race the remaining legs may be increased or decreased by not more than 30% of original length. (This changes RRS 33). [*The SCIRA Representative should be consulted on any change of course which affects its length.*]
- 14 THE FINISH
14.1 The finish line will be between the mast of an orange flag on a Race Committee boat and the course side of the finishing mark.
14.2 The Alpha flag displayed on the Race Committee boat at the **finish** means that there will be no more races for the day.
- 15 PENALTY SYSTEM
15.1 Appendix P will apply.
15.2 A competitor taking a one/two turn(s) penalty during a race shall report the penalty to the R. C. promptly after finishing.
- 16 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES
16.1 The target time for each race is 50-75 minutes. Failure to meet the target time shall not be grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 60.1 (b) and RRS 62.1 (a).

- 16.2 The time limit for the first boat to complete the first lap is 40 minutes from the start. If the first boat fails to complete the first lap within 40 minutes the Race Committee shall abandon the race. For the purpose of this Rule a lap means the rounding of Mark 3 for the first time.
- 16.3 The time limit for the first boat to finish the race shall be 1 hour, 30 minutes. Any boat finishing more than 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes or failing to finish within 2 hours from the start, whichever is shorter, shall be scored Did Not Finish (DNF). This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.
- 17 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS
- 17.1 Protest forms are available at the race office, located at the LYC Sailing Center. Protests and requests for redress or reopening a hearing shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 17.2 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the Signal Boat docks.
- 17.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located at the Main Clubhouse in the Card Room, beginning at the time posted.
- 17.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 17.5 Within the protest time limit, a list of boats that have been penalized for breaking rules 29, 30 or 42 will be posted.
- 17.6 Breaches of instructions 12.1, 19, 20.3, 21, 22, and 25 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for breaches of SI 25 may be less than disqualification or will result in denial of access of the coach boats, if the protest committee so decides. The penalty for breaking SI 19, 21, and 22 shall be the 5% scoring penalty for nearest race completed by the infringing boat but not worse than the number of points corresponding to DSQ. Penalties for breaking Class Rules, or SI 21, may be less than disqualification. The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under this instruction will be DPI.
- 17.8 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered
- (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
 - (b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.
- This changes rule 66.
- 17.9 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.
- 17.10 For the purpose of rule 64.3(b) RRS the “authority responsible” is the Measurer of the event.
- 17.11 The Jury shall abandon the race if, during a redress hearing, they conclude that the Race Committee did not follow Sailing Instructions 8.1, 8.2, 9.5, 9.6, 9.7, and 13.2. This changes rule 64.2.
- 18 SCORING
- 18.1 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 18.2
- (a) When fewer than six races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - (b) When from six to eight races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 18.3 A boat retiring from a race shall report its action to the Jury Secretary as soon as possible after the race.
- 19 SAFETY REGULATIONS
- 19.1 Before the warning signal of the first race of the day each boat is required to sail past the stern of the Race Committee Signal Boat on starboard tack and verbally check in. The check-in boat will display a Race Committee Flag while on station prior to the first warning signal. When the Race Committee verbally acknowledges a boat’s bow number the check-in has been officially noted.
- 19.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 20 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT
- 20.1 The same crew shall race in all races, except for reasons satisfactory to the Race Committee. Requests for a change of crew shall be submitted in writing to the Chairman. Once a crew has been excused, he/she may not return for the balance of the series.
- 20.2 The same skipper shall sail all races and can be replaced after the first race only, and then only if he/she is obviously incapacitated. If a skipper is replaced the first race shall be the race dropped, or scored DNC.
- 20.3 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the Race Committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 21 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS
- 21.1 Each boat shall display bow numbers supplied by the OA on each side of the bow and a stern number on the starboard stern in accordance with the application and placement instructions provided.
- 21.2 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a Race Committee equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.
- 22 EVENT ADVERTISING
- Boats shall display event advertising supplied by the organizing authority including that displayed with the bow numbers.
- 23 RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the SCIRA, organizing authority and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use, and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recording, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.

24 OFFICIAL BOATS

Race Committee boats will display a blue Race Committee Flag. Safety boats will display a numbered support boat flag.

25 SUPPORT BOATS

- 25.1 Support boats shall display the flag supplied by the OA at all times when afloat including when docked at LYC.
- 25.1 At the warning signal, coaches must be positioned at least 50 meters below the starting line. After the starting signal coaches may follow the fleet, but only on the port side of the course and must stay 50 meters from any mark
- 25.2 Coaches may not communicate with competitors after the warning signal for any race until after the competitors have finished the race.
- 25.3 Coaches shall register with the LYC Dockmaster on or before 3:00 PM April 4, 2019. See the NOR for further details.
- 25.4 All support and coach boats must have a working VHF radio and monitor channel 69 while on the water for communications from the Race Committee.

26 TRASH DISPOSAL

Trash may be placed aboard support or official boats. Race gear and equipment may not be placed on RC Boats.

27 PRIZES

Prizes shall be awarded at the conclusion of the event.

28 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

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

Signatures:

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Principal Race Officer - Tom Lihan		SCIRA Representative - Alex Pline