2020 SUNFISH WOMEN’S NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP
September 25-27, 2020
Columbia, SC, USA

Notice of Race

Organizing Authority: Columbia Sailing Club
Endorsed by United States Sunfish Class Association

Columbia Sailing Club is located at 292 Shuler Road, Columbia, SC 29212. Phone number is (803)764-6065. Club and event information is available at www.columbiasailingclub.org.

1. RULES

1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

1.2. The prescriptions of US Sailing, including Appendix V (Alternative Penalties of the 2017-2020 US RRS) shall apply and will be posted on the official notice board during the regatta.

1.3. The Rules and By-Laws of the International Sunfish Class Association Rules will apply.

1.4. The notification “[DP]” in a rule in the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1.5. While on the water, each competitor is required to wear either a USCG-approved Personal Flotation Device or a flotation device that complies with the regulations of their own country at all times, except for brief periods while adding or removing clothing. The device shall be in good condition and must be 100% dependent on foam for flotation. A violation of this instruction may be protested by race officials or another competitor [DP].

1.6. If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.

1.7. The top US finisher in this regatta will qualify for the 2021 International Sunfish Class Association (ISCA) World Championship.
2. ADVERTISING

The Organizing Authority may require all participating boats to display the event sponsor’s advertising in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1. Each competitor shall be a female 2020 member of her respective country’s Class Association affiliated to ISCA.
3.2. Sailors not reaching the age of 19 by the end of 2020 shall be classified as a Youth.
3.3. Sailors reaching the age of 40 or more by September 26, 2020 shall be classified as a Master.
3.4. Registration may be completed online at https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/20572
3.5. Checks are also accepted and should be made payable to “Columbia Sailing Club Club” and mailed to P.O. Box 922, Columbia, SC, 29202.

4. ENTRY FEES

4.1. Registration fee (before September 1): $85
4.2. Late registration (September 1 and later): $125. Sailors under age 25 do not have to pay the late fee.
4.3. Registration fee includes regatta T-shirt, welcome party, Saturday dinner, breakfast and lunch on racing days.

5. SCHEDULE

Friday, September 25
1200-1800 Registration
1400 Practice Race
1800 Welcome Party

Saturday, September 26
0900 Registration closes
0930 Skipper’s Meeting
1030 First Warning

Sunday, September 27
0930 First Warning
1400 No warning signal will be made after.
Awards Ceremony after racing

6. MEASUREMENT

Boats and equipment must be compliant with current ISCA rules. Boats may be selected for measurement at any time during the regatta by the USSCA Chief Measurer or an appointed representative.
7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available no later than September 15 online at the event website, and will be available in hard copy during registration and check-in.

8. VENUE

The regatta venue will be Columbia Sailing Club, Columbia, SC. Racing will be on the waters of Lake Murray.

9. THE COURSES

The courses will be windward – leeward, triangles, or combinations thereof. Courses may include an offset mark or gate as described in the sailing instructions.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

US Sailing Prescription Appendix V will apply.

11. SCORING

11.1 One (1) race is required to constitute a series.
11.2 A maximum of eight (8) races will be sailed.
11.3 When fewer than six (6) races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores.
11.4 When six (6) or more races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst race.

12. BERTHING

Boats will be kept at the Columbia Sailing Club in areas assigned by the organizing authority.

13. PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows:
a) Top five finishers
b) Highest placed Youth
c) Highest placed Master

14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in this 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.
15. FURTHER INFORMATION

Regatta OA and Event Chair: Margaret Clarkson, (803) 422-3724, margaretclarkson4@gmail.com and Michelle Davis, (803) 361-7892, rocketdawg007@gmail.com

USSCA Women’s Coordinator: Gail Heausler, (813) 758-8484, heauslerg@gmail.com

Columbia Sailing Club Sailing Director: David Van Cleef, (803) 764-6065 sailingdirector@columbiasailingclub.org

Charter/Loaner Boats: The regatta organizing committee will make every effort to have a boat available for racing on a first-come first-serve basis. If you need a boat, please register early and reach out to Walter Everett, (843) 269-6832, waltevere@gmail.com or Rich Horton, (803) 315-6666, richhorton@gmail.com as soon as possible upon payment of the registration fee.

Breakfast and lunch making supplies will be available from 0730 to 0900 Saturday and Sunday morning.

Lodging:
Hyatt Place Columbia Harbison
1130 Kinley Road, Irmo, SC, 29063
Irmo, SC 29063
(855) 680-3239
Located 5 miles from the Columbia Sailing Club

Block rate: $96.00/night

Housing: Limited member housing may be available. Please contact Michelle Davis at (803) 361-7892 to inquire.

Nearby Airports:
Columbia (Columbia, SC): 12 miles
Charlotte (Charlotte, NC): 110 miles
Charleston (Charleston, SC): 116 miles