



2021 Sunfish Championships

International Masters – Mar **7-10**, 2021

US Nationals at Midwinters – Mar 12-14, 2021

Notice of Race

Amended – February 5, 2021 (all changes in RED)

Organizing Authority: Davis Island Yacht Club, Tampa, FL 33606

Endorsed by International Sunfish™ Class Association (ISCA)

Endorsed by US Sunfish™ Class Association (USSCA)

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 The US SAILING prescriptions to RRS 60.3, 61.4, 67, 70.5(a), 76.1 and Appendix R will apply and are contained in their entirety at: <https://cdn.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/2021-2024-US-Prescriptions-Final.pdf>
- 1.3 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.
- 1.4 In accordance with RRS G3, a boat chartered or loaned for this regatta may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of her class rules.
- 1.5 Based on any public health consideration, competitors agree to follow Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), State of Florida guidelines and Davis Island Yacht Club policies regarding coronavirus, COVID-19, that are in effect at the time of the regatta.

2 ADVERTISING

The Organizing Authority may require boats to display advertising in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 Each competitor shall be a 2021 member of his/her respective country's Sunfish™ Class Association.
- 3.2 All **Masters** participants shall be 40 years of age or older as of March **7**, 2021 and must meet the same age requirement to qualify for each of the age divisions: Apprentice Master 40+, Master 50+, Grand Master 60+, Great Grand Master 70+, and Senior Master 80+.
- 3.3 An entry is not complete until payment and online approval of the waiver have been made.

4 FEES

NOTE: Due to COVID-19, a preliminary go/no-go decision will be made by the board of USSCA on February 1. Further assessments will be made throughout February to determine if the event can be held safely for the competitors and DIYC.

- 4.1 Entry Fee for International Masters: **\$50.00 plus 8.5% sales tax, total \$54.25.**
- 4.2 Entry Fee for US Nationals at Midwinters: **\$50.00 plus 8.5% sales tax, total \$54.25.**
- 4.3 There will be no late fee for either event.
- 4.4 Registration is open on Regatta Network. Early registration is encouraged to determine intent to race. Please note that initially your status will be “waitlist” until payment is made.

To register for International Masters – [click here](#)

To register for US Nationals at Midwinters – [click here](#)

4.4.1 A maximum of 60 entries has been set for each event. On or before Feb 6 invitations will be sent to the first 60 competitors based on date and time of registration. All other entries over 60 will be placed on a waitlist. Payment for both events will open on February 6, 2021 for invited competitors and must be received by 2400 on February 16, 2021.

4.4.2 Per NoR 3.3, an entry is not complete until payment is made. Any entries NOT completed by 2400 Feb 16, 2021 will be moved to the end of the waitlist and the first competitor (based on registration date) on the waitlist will be invited to submit payment. Payments MUST be received within 5 days of invitation or the spot will be offered to the next competitor on the waitlist.

- 4.5 Refunds will be given less a \$10 administrative fee if the regatta is cancelled for COVID-related safety reasons in the final 7 days prior to the event. **No other refunds will be given.**
- 4.6 Skipper’s registration fee includes: regatta favor, breakfast power bars.
- 4.7 Bag lunches can be ordered separately for \$8.00/day.
- 4.8 All fees are in US Dollars and shall be free of any transfer and/or banking costs or commissions. Any charge shall be reimbursed by competitors to complete their entries.

5 SCHEDULE

NOTE - Based on COVID-19 conditions at the time of the event, all gatherings such as competitor meeting, Q&A sessions and protest hearings may be held virtually using Zoom.

Masters Date	Midwinters Date	Time	Activity	Comment
Sun, Mar 7	Thu, Mar 11	1100 – 1600 1400 1900	Check-in Practice racing (Masters only) Competitor Meeting	Outside lower level of DIYC NO practice race for Midwinters On Zoom – Access info TBD
Mon, Mar 8	Fri, Mar 12	0800 – 0900 1000 After Racing	Check-in First Scheduled Warning Q&A with top 3 finishers	Outside lower level of DIYC Multiple races to follow May be Zoom
Tue, Mar 9	Sat, Mar 13	1000 After Racing	First Scheduled Warning Q&A with top 3 finishers	Multiple races to follow May be Zoom
Wed, Mar 10	Sun, Mar 14	1000 1400 After Racing	First Scheduled Warning No Warning after this time Awards	Multiple races to follow May be Zoom

6 MEASUREMENT

Boats and equipment must be compliant with current International Sunfish Class Association Class Rules as approved by World Sailing: <https://www.sailing.org/28326.php>. Boats may be selected for measurement at any time during the regatta by the ISCA Chief Measurer or an appointed representative.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available online at Regatta Network by March 3.

8 VENUE

The regatta will be sailed from Davis Island Yacht Club, 1315 Severn Ave., Tampa, FL 33606. Racing will be in the Upper Hillsborough Bay south of the clubhouse.

9 THE COURSES

The courses will be windward – leeward, triangles, or combinations thereof.

10 SCORING

10.1 The Low Point Scoring System, RRS Appendix A2, will apply as modified below.

10.1.1 One (1) race is required to constitute a series.

10.1.2 A maximum of eleven (11) races will be sailed.

10.1.3 When fewer than six (6) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her scores.

10.1.4 When six (6) to eleven (11) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst race.

11 SUPPORT BOATS

11.1 The organizing authority will not provide support boats.

11.2 Support boats must register with the Organizing Authority prior to the first competitor's meeting on the first day of racing and fly a flag with a number provided by the Organizing Authority (a \$20 cash deposit will be required) at all times while on the water. Support boats shall carry a working VHF radio and monitor VHF channel 72 during the race.

11.3 All support vessels shall be equipped with a functioning engine safety cut-out switch (kill switch) which shall remain attached to the support person (operator) at all times while the engine is on. Support vessels shall check-in with the RC Signal vessel before the first race of each day to demonstrate compliance. Failure to comply may be misconduct and result in expulsion from the event.

11.4 Support boats shall stay outside the racing area from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment. The racing area is defined as no less than 100 meters from any boats that are racing and outside the lay lines from the marks defining the course.

11.5 Support boats shall remain 50 meters below the starting line between the preparatory and starting signals. After the starting signal, they may only proceed to the windward mark up the left side of the course and must return to the leeward mark via the same side. At the finish line, they must remain 100 meters to windward of the extensions of the finish line.

11.6 No communication from the support boats (including verbal and hand signals) will be permitted after the preparatory signal until after the competitor completes the race.

- 11.7 If a support boat does not comply with applicable rules, restrictions and/or instructions, a discretionary penalty may be applied to some or all associated competitors and may include restrictions on the movement of their support boat.
- 11.8 Support boats may be required to act as safety boats upon instruction from a race official.
- 11.9 Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Failure to comply may be misconduct. Reasonable actions by event officials to implement COVID-19 guidance, protocols or legislation, even if they later prove to have been unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions

12 BERTHING

Boats will be kept at the Davis Island Yacht Club and in areas assigned by the organizing authority.

13 PRIZES

13.1 Prizes for the **International Masters Championship** will be given as follows:

13.1.1 Top three finishers in each age division.

13.1.2 Top three overall finishers.

13.1.3 One berth for the 2022 Sunfish World Championships will be awarded as per the International Class Notice: <https://www.sunfishclass.org/about/international-class-notice> .

13.2 Prizes for the **US Nationals at Midwinters** will be given as follows:

13.2.1 Top five finishers.

13.2.2 Four US berths for the 2022 Sunfish World Championships will be awarded as per the USSCA Notice: https://www.sunfishclass.org/documents/UNITED_STATES_SUNFISH_CLASS_NOTICE_2020-2022.pdf

13.2.3 Highest placed Female finisher (if the top finisher is male) or the highest placed Male finisher (if the top finisher is Female).

13.2.4 Highest placed Youth (less than 19 years old during the calendar year 2021).

13.2.5 Highest placed Master (40+).

14 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 3, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, illness, disease or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

15 INSURANCE

The organizing authority recommends that each competitor shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.

16 FURTHER INFORMATION

16.1 Davis Island Yacht Club diyc.org

16.2 Event Organizer: Lynne Randall larandall716@gmail.com

16.3 Web Page for Masters: <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/21633>

16.4 Web Page for Midwinters: <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/21635>

16.5 Charter boats: Tackle Shack: info@tackleshack.com (727) 546-5080

Additional Information

The following information is not a part of the Notice of Race but may be helpful in planning your visit to Tampa.

- Food and bar service at DIYC is available for take-out only, every day except Monday when the club is closed. Credit cards only, no cash accepted.
- Overnight camping is available at the yacht club in designated areas. Limited RV parking is available in designated areas. Contact the regatta coordinator for more details.
- Local Hotels: Hotel rooms are available in many price ranges.
- Other housing: Due to Covid 19 restrictions, housing is not being offered by the club's membership. There are many listings of rooms, apartments and homes at <https://www.airbnb.com>
- Distance from closest Airports:
 - Tampa International: 12 Miles
 - Clearwater/St. Pete Airport: 21 Miles
- Uber and Lyft services are available throughout the area.