



United States Sunfish Class Association, a Member of SAII

2021 Sunfish North American Championship Lake Norman Yacht Club – Mooresville, NC USA June 9-13, 2021



NOTICE OF RACE

Organizing Authority: Lake Norman Yacht Club Endorsed by United States Sunfish Class Association (USSCA)

1. RULES

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

- 1.1 The racing rules will be changed as follows:
- 1.1.1 RRS 35 is amended to add: Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes of the first boat to finish will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE).
- 1.1.2 RRS 40.1 shall be in effect. Each competitor shall wear a personal flotation device. RRS 40: US Sailing prescribes that every boat shall carry life-saving equipment conforming to government regulations that apply in the racing area. Every boat shall carry life-saving equipment conforming to government regulations that apply to the racing area.
- 1.1.3 RRS A4 is amended to add: The score for TLE is 2 points more than the number of boats that finished within the time limit.
- 1.1.4 RRS A4 and A5 are amended to add: A boat that has not met the definition of start 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS).
- 1.2 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.
- 1.3 The following are the only prescriptions of US Sailing that will apply:
- 1.3.1 RRS 60.3(b) is changed to "request redress for a boat or call a hearing to consider redress;"

- 1.3.2 RRS 61.4: US Sailing prescribes that no fees shall be charged for protests or requests for redress.
- 1.3.3 RRS 67: US Sailing prescribes that (a) A boat that retires from a race or accepts a penalty does not, by that action alone, admit liability for damages. (b) A protest committee shall find facts and make decisions only in compliance with the rules. No protest committee or US Sailing appeal authority shall adjudicate any claim for damages. Such a claim is subject to the jurisdiction of the courts. (c) A basic purpose of the rules is to prevent contact between boats. By participating in an event governed by the rules, a boat agrees that responsibility for damages arising from any breach of the rules shall be based on fault as determined by application of the rules, and that she shall not be governed by the legal doctrine of 'assumption of risk' for monetary damages resulting from contact with other boats.
- 1.3.4 RRS 76.1: US Sailing prescribes that an organizing authority or race committee shall not reject or cancel the entry of a boat or exclude a competitor eligible under the notice of race and sailing instructions for an arbitrary or capricious reason or for reason of race, color, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, or age.
- 1.3.5 App V, Alternative Penalties will be in effect.
- 1.4 **Coved Restrictions and info:** [DP] This regatta is being held with several modifications due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This event is a great way to get back together and enjoy being on the water. However, we will follow the CDC, State of North Carolina, LNYC and local guidelines during this event such as social distancing, frequent hand washing and the use of a face mask especially when on land. The safety of our members, guests, and volunteers are the driving force for the modifications to this annual event. There is a release that must be signed prior to competing in the regatta. Our scoring and protest committees may be working remotely. Competitors are strongly encouraged to register early for the event in case there will be no on-site registration due to guidelines in place of early June. Ensure that email and mobile number information is provided during registration in order to obtain up to date information from the Organizing Authority. Any person refusing to comply with a reasonable request by a race official may be subject to a RRS 69 hearing.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be available at registration and online at:

<u>Sunfish North American Championship: Lake Norman Yacht Club (regattanetwork.com)</u>

3. ADVERTISING

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

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 Each competitor shall be a 2021 member of his/her respective country's Sunfish Class Association.
- 4.2 Competitors may join the class utilizing the following link: https://sunfish.wildapricot.org/join-us
- 4.3 Registration may be completed online at:

 https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_registration_form.php?regatta_id=21847

 Registration, including measurement, shall be completed by 0900 on June 11, 2021.
- 4.4 Sailors not reaching the age of 19 by the end of 2021 shall be classified as a Youth.
- 4.5 Sailors not reaching the age of 15 by the end of 2021 shall be classified as a Junior.
- 4.6 Sailors reaching the age of 40 by the first day of the regatta shall be classified as a Master.
- 4.7 Sailors reaching the age of 60 by the first day of the regatta shall be classified as a Grand Master.

5. ENTRY FEES

Entry fee: \$100 (After May 26, \$120). All fees are in USD.

Fee includes as a minimum: Regatta rashguard long-sleeve shirt; other goodies; continental breakfast on

Friday, Saturday, and Sunday; awards ceremony.

6. SCHEDULE

Wednesday - June 9

1300 – 1800 Early Measurement

Thursday - June 10

1000 – 1700 Registration and Measurement

1430 Practice Race

Friday – June 11

0800 – 0900 Last call for Registration and Measurement

0900 Competitors Meeting

1100 First Warning Signal. Additional races to immediately follow.

Saturday - June 12

930 First Warning Signal. Additional races to immediately follow.

Sunday – June 13

930 First Warning Signal. Additional races to immediately follow.

1300 No warning signal made after this time

7. MEASUREMENT

Boats and equipment must be compliant with current ISCA rules. A signed 2021 NA's measurement form must be submitted to the registration desk for the entry to be completed. Boats may be selected for remeasurement at any time during the regatta by the ISCA Chief Measurer or an appointed representative.

8. VENUE

Racing will be on Lake Norman east of Lake Norman Yacht Club.

9. COURSES

The courses will be windward/leeward, triangles, or a combination thereof.

10. SCORING

The low point scoring system, RRS Appendix A2, shall apply with the following additions.

- 10.1 One (1) race is required to constitute a series.
- 10.2 A maximum of nine (9) races will be sailed.
- 10.3 When fewer than six (6) races have been completed, a boat's series score will the total of her race scores.

10.4 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 score.

11. SUPPORT BOATS [DP]

- 11.1 The organizing authority will not provide support boats.
- 11.2 Please see RRS 4, Acceptance of the Rules.
- 11.3 Support boats include those carrying team leaders, coaches and other personnel that interact with competitors.
- 11.4 Coach/support boats must register prior to the competitor's meeting on the first day of racing with the Organizing Authority. Coach/support boats shall carry a working VHF radio and monitor the race committee channel.
- 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 laylines from the marks defining the course.
- 11.6 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.
- 11.7 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.
- 11.8 No competitors shall be towed to the race course. All sailors must sail to the race course on their own.

 Boats shall not be towed from the race course to the yacht club cove unless code flag T is displayed on a race committee vessel.
- 11.9 If a support boat does not comply with applicable rules, restrictions and/or instructions, a discretionary penalty may be applied by the Jury to some or all associated competitors and may include restrictions on the movement of their support boat.
- 11.10 Support boats may be required to act as safety boats if instructed.

12. PRIZES

- 12.1 The 2021 North American championship is a 2022 World Championship qualifying event.
- 12.2 Prizes will be awarded as follows. Additional special prizes may be awarded:

North American Championship Perpetual Daggerboard

Youth Championship Silver Bowl

Top 10 Overall

Top 5 Youth Overall

Top Female

Top Junior

Top Master (40+)

Top Grand Master (60+)

Sportsmanship Award

Marco Polo Award

13. BERTHING

Boats shall be kept at the regatta site and in spots assigned by the Organizing Authority. [DP]

14. INSURANCE

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

15. RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia, or other causes.

16. FURTHER INFORMATION

Regatta Chair: John Butine – (330)-949-8881 – jb2039@gmail.com

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

17. Optional Fees

- 17.1 Lunch meal plan: (Fri, Sat, Sun) \$30 available to competitors, coaches, family members and guests.
- 17.2 Dinner meal plan: (Thurs, Sat) \$TBD; available to competitors, coaches, family members and guests.

 More info to follow via NOR Amendment pending State gathering restrictions.
- 17.3 Additional T-shirts (Hanes 100% Cotton, short sleeve, event logo) \$15
- 17.4 Additional Ratguards shirt (Sport-Tek, long sleeve, event logo) \$25

18. Onshore Activities

Thursday, June 10

1800 Welcome reception and dinner

Friday, June 11

0800 Continental breakfast

After Racing USSCA Board of Directors meeting

Saturday, June 12

0700 Continental breakfast

After Racing USSCA General Assembly Meeting
1800 Dinner and possible live entertainment.

Sunday, June 13

0700 Continental breakfast After Racing Awards Ceremony

19. LODGING / TRANSPORTATION

- 19.1 Hotels: There are several chain hotel options at exits 33 and 36 (Mooresville, NC) off Interstate I-77. These are approximately 8-9 miles from the club.
- 19.2 Camping: Camping is welcome on the grounds of Lake Norman Yacht Club and campers are invited to use the showers and restroom facilities. Additional information is available at www.lakenormanyc.org. If coming by RV, there are no hookups and parking is at the main clubhouse lot.
- 19.3 Club rules do not allow pets on the club grounds during club events or regatta weekends.
- 19.4 Limited in-Member housing may be available upon request. Contact Regatta Chair for further details.
- 19.5 Limited Member camper use may be available upon request. Contact Regatta Chair for further details.
- 19.6 Airport: Charlotte International Airport (CLT) is located south of Lake Norman and is a 38-mile drive to the Lake Norman Yacht Cub (approximate 45 minutes).

20. DIRECTIONS

GPS: 297 Yacht Road, Mooresville, NC

From I-77 in either direction, take exit 35, Brawley School Road. Go West on Brawley School Rd. approximately 7.7 miles to Yacht Rd. (at the roundabout/traffic circle, about 7 miles for the exit, go "straight", and Yacht Rd. is the second street on the left.) Turn left on Yacht Rd. and go approximately 0.9 miles to the LNYC entrance on the left.

21. WEATHER CONDITIONS

General weather: https://www.wunderground.com/dashboard/pws/KNCMOORE100

Sailflow: LNYC | Complete Wind Report & Forecast | SailFlow

Average temperatures: day high 84 F – night low: 62 F

Tide: n/a Current: n/a