



# 2021 Force 5 Midwinter Championship

US Sailing Center of Martin County

Jensen Beach FL

April 15,16,17, 2021

## NOTICE OF RACE



### 1. Rules

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

1.2 Force 5 class rules will apply except as modified by the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions.

1.3 The sailing instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and supplementary sailing instructions that will be on the official notice board.

1.4 This regatta will be open to Standard Force 5 rigs and the “short rig”. Skippers checking-in with the short rig must sail with the short rig for the entire regatta and will be eligible for separate awards. Skippers checking-in with standard rigs may choose between rig sizes but will be scored only as a standard rig.

### 2. Eligibility and Entry

2.1 There will be classes for Standard Rigs and Short Rigs. Those sailing as Standard Rigs may switch between rig sizes but will only be scored as Standard Rig.

2.2 Force 5 membership is required prior to participation in the regatta.

2.3 No entries or fleet changes will be accepted after check-in closes.

### 3. Fees

3.1 Registration and entry fees must be received at USSCMC prior to Thursday, 1 April 2021.

The entry fee is \$35 per person. This significantly reduced entry fee is thanks to the Force 5 Class Association who is subsidizing the entry fees.

3.2 All registrations received from 1 April to 14 April 2021 will be charged an additional \$50 late fee.

3.3 Registration is on-line through Regatta Network. Links may also be found at

[https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet\\_registration\\_form?regatta\\_id=21857](https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_registration_form?regatta_id=21857)

### 4. Schedule of Races

*Wednesday, 14 April*

1000-1800 Arrival, set up, rigging.

*Thursday, 15 April*

1000 – 1100 Check-in

1100 Skipper’s meeting

1200 First Warning

*Friday, 16 April*

1030 First Warning

*Saturday, 17 April*

1030 First warning

1400 No warning signal after 1500 Awards to follow after last race

The targeted number of races for the three days is a total of 10 races, with no more than 4 races on any given day. One race constitutes a regatta.

### 5. Sailing Instructions

The sailing instructions will be available no later than at the time of check-in. They will be posted on the official notice board which will be online with Regatta Network.

## **6. Courses**

Courses will be as illustrated in the sailing instructions and supplemental sailing instructions.

## **7. Scoring**

When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. A boat may exclude her worst score after 6 races have been completed.

## **8. Safety**

All competitors must wear a US Coast Guard approved PFD at all times while on the water. See Force 5 rules, Article VIII.

## **9. Prizes**

The Force 5 class will provide awards. The details of awards will be specified in the Sailing Instructions.

## **10. 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.

## **11. Local Accommodations**

The following hotels support our Regatta Season and are offering special Regatta Rates:

- See our 2020-2021 HOTEL PARTNERS PAGE

<https://www.uscmc.org/upload/editor/USSCMC%20Hotel%20Partners.pdf>

**RV Camping** - Ocean Breeze Resort 772-334-2494

[www.sunrvresorts.com](http://www.sunrvresorts.com) (Make reservations well in advance)

## **12. Further Information**

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