



DIAZ MARINE

**Lauderdale Yacht Club
2021 Ron Payne Memorial Snipe Regatta
March 20-21, 2021
SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

1.0 RULES

- 1.1 This regatta is organized under the authority of the Lauderdale Yacht Club. The regatta will be governed by the current *Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*, and the prescriptions of US Sailing except those of rule 63.2.
- 1.2 These Sailing Instructions, including amendments, will take precedence in the case of conflict with the Notice of Race & Snipe Rules of Conduct.
- 1.3 Each owner/charterer is solely responsible for the safety of his/her boat and the decision whether or not to proceed to the race area, or start or continue to race is the owner's/charterer's responsibility and not that of Lauderdale Yacht Club.

2.0 ENTRIES

- 2.1 Eligible boats may be entered by completing an online entry form and registering with the Lauderdale Yacht Club Race Committee.
- 2.2 Event Registration closes at 2300, March 18, 2021.

3.0 EQUIPMENT AND INSPECTION

- 3.1 Equipment must conform to the regulations of the Snipe class, including carrying a minimum 15 meter (49'3") tow line of at least 8 mm (5/16") diameter.
- 3.2 Conformance to these equipment standards or inspection of a boat in no way limits or reduces the complete and unlimited responsibility of a boat's skipper for the safety of a boat. The Race Committee reserves the right to inspect entries for eligibility and requirements at any time prior to the awards. Boats which fail to comply with these equipment standards are subject to protest by the Race Committee. If such a protest is

sustained, the boat may be disqualified or assessed an appropriate penalty at the discretion of the protest committee.

4.0 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 4.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board, located on the regatta website:

https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_notice_board.php?regatta_id=21913

5.0 CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1 Any change in the sailing instructions will be posted before 0830 on the day it will take effect.
- 5.2 Any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 on the day before it will take effect.
- 5.3 All changes will be posted on the Official Notice Board:

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6.0 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE & AFLOAT

- 6.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the Lauderdale Yacht Club Sailing Center.
- 6.2 Code flag “AP”, Answering Pennant, displayed with two accompanying sound signals means “The racing is postponed.” When “AP” is lowered with one accompanying sound signal, the time of the warning signal for the next race is posted on the regatta notice board. This changes RRS Race Signals.
- 6.3 If the race committee displays **Code Flag “L”**, the race committee may display written instructions on a whiteboard on the stern of the signal boat.

8.0 SCHEDULE

Saturday

1000 Skippers' meeting

1030 Harbor Start

1200 Warning gun, 1st race of the day (Additional races to follow)

Sunday

0830 Harbor Start

1000 Warning gun, 1st race of the day (Additional races to follow)

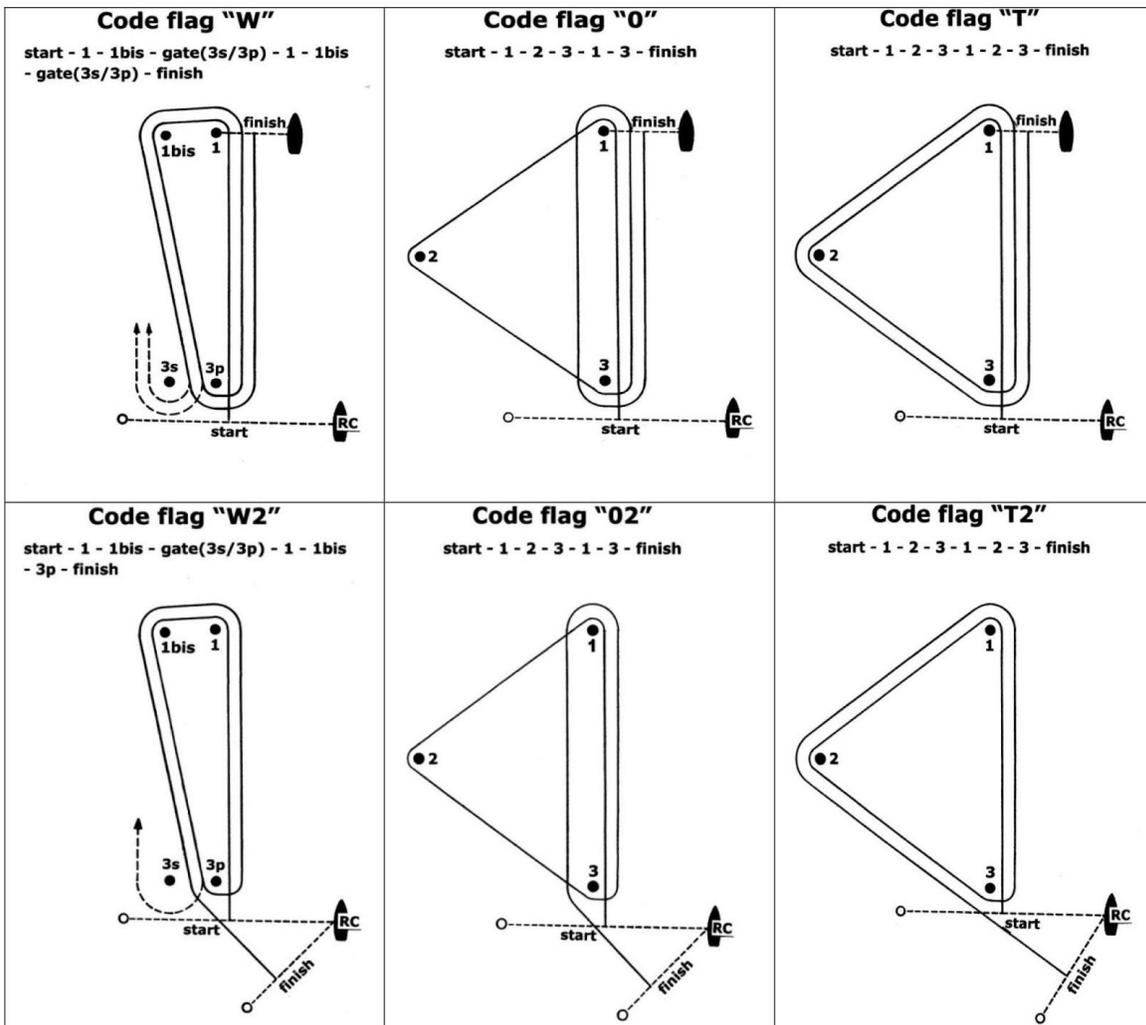
1430 No more racing. No races can start after 1430

9.0 RACING AREA

9.1 The racing area is the Atlantic Ocean, approximately 1 mile South of Port Everglades inlet and approximately 1/2 mile offshore.

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10.2 The approximate magnetic compass bearing from the leeward mark (Mark 3) to the windward mark (Mark 1) may be posted on the Race Committee boat prior to the preparatory signal.

10.3 The course to be raced will be displayed on a course board on the signal boat.

11.0 MARKS & FINISH

11.1 All rounding marks (except the leeward gate) shall be rounded to port. If only one of the gate marks is present, that mark shall be rounded to port.

11.2 Before any boat has begun a leg, the race committee may change the position of a mark on that leg without signalling the competitors. This changes RRS 33.

11.3 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee finish boat and a mark in accordance with the course diagram.

11.4 The starting mark will be yellow or a start boat displaying an orange flag. All rounding marks will be orange. The finish mark will be orange.

12.0 THE START

12.1 Races will be started in accordance with Racing Rule 26.

12.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee boat at the starboard end, and a mark at the port end or an orange flag on a race committee boat.

12.3 Boats starting later than four minutes after the starting signal will be scored DNS. This changes RRS A5.

12.4 There may be multiple attention sounds prior to the warning signal.

12.5 The Warning flag will be the Snipe Class Flag.

12.6 The Race Committee may attempt to hail boats which are on the course side of the starting line during the final minute of a starting sequence conducted under the "I" flag. This changes RRS Rule 30.1. Failure to hear the hail, or the order or timing of hails, shall not be grounds for redress.

12.7 The Race Committee signal boat may post a list of OCS and/or ZFP boats. Failure to post the list, or posting an incomplete or wrong list, will not be grounds for redress. The

Race Committee will not individually provide the information, if the information is not posted.

13.0 SAFETY

- 13.1 Boats not leaving the harbor for the day's race shall inform the Race Committee prior to the harbor start.
- 13.2 A skipper or crew requesting assistance will attempt to signal by waving one arm over his or her head.
- 13.3 A boat that decides not to compete in the race or retires after starting shall notify the Race Committee or report to a designated Safety Boat as soon as possible. No boat shall leave the racing area without communicating with the Race Committee.
- 13.4 Special safety instructions concerning care of our coral reefs, seagrass, seabed, and manatees, and safety instructions regarding towing will be given at the Competitors' Meeting and/or are appended hereto. Failure to follow any of them by competitors or their coach/support boats shall be grounds for disqualification from the race, the regatta or other sanction.
- 13.5 Competitors and support persons ashore shall wear masks that cover their mouth and nose at all times while on Lauderdale Yacht club property.

14.0 TIME LIMIT

- 14.1 Any race in which no boat rounds the first windward mark within 25 minutes, or finishes within 75 minutes of the start, will be abandoned. Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat has finished will be scored DNF. This modifies RRS 35 and the Snipe Rules of Conduct.

15.0 PROTESTS

- 15.1 Online Protest Forms are available on the Official Notice Board:
https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/21913#_docs
- 15.2 The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the docking of the race committee signal boat.
- 15.3 Protest notices will be posted on the Official Notice Board, located on the regatta website:
https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_notice_board.php?regatta_id=21913

15.4 Only the Race Committee or Protest Committee may protest a boat for violation of Sailing Instructions 3.0, 13.3, 13.4, 17, and 18. The Protest Committee may assess an alternate penalty for violations of those specified Sailing Instructions. This modifies RRS 60.1 (a).

16.0 SCORING

16.1 The Low Point Scoring System will apply. A six race regatta is planned. After five races are completed, a competitor's worst score will be discarded. This modifies RRS A2.

17.0 SUPPORT AND SPECTATOR BOATS

17.1 All support and spectator boats are required to monitor channel 69 for requests from the Race Committee to assist with fleet safety and must have onboard a working VHF capable of receiving and transmitting on channels 69, 16 and 14.

17.2 Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall not be in the racing area from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished, or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment. The racing area is defined as fifty yards away from the outside of the exterior lay lines of the race course. Support and spectator boats may only enter the race area at the request of the Race Committee or in an emergency when necessary to assist a boat in distress. Support and Spectator boats may not anchor in the vicinity of the Race Area.

17.3 Anchoring on coral reefs, hard bottom, or seagrass is prohibited under Florida law.

18.0 TRASH AND SAILORS' GEAR

18.1 Competitors may **not** drop off or retrieve gear from Race Committee boats. Competitors may drop off trash on Race Committee boats.

Bobby Noonan
Principal Race Officer