



## 2022 MELGES 15 WINTER SERIES

January 8-9, 2022 (Saturday and Sunday)

February 26-27, 2022 (Saturday and Sunday)

March 25-27, 2022 (Friday, Saturday and Sunday)

Organizing Authority: Sarasota Sailing Squadron, Melges 15 - Fleet 2

### February 26-27, 2022 Event 2

Sarasota Sailing Squadron (SSS), Sarasota, FL, USA

## Notice of Race (NoR)

**Amended February 19, 2022**

### 1. RULES

1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

### 2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 The sailing instructions will be available after 1700h on Friday, February 25, 2022 at Sarasota Sailing Squadron and on-line at <http://www.regattanetwork.com>.

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

### 3. COMMUNICATION

3.1 The official notice board is located beside the race office at SSS and posted on-line at <http://www.regattanetwork.com>.

3.2 [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channel 72.

3.3 Following the display of the Individual Recall Flag, the race committee (RC) will attempt to announce by VHF radio, the sail numbers of all boats identified as on course side (OCS). Such announcement is a courtesy and failure of the RC to make the announcement or of competitors to hear or understand the announcement shall not constitute a ground for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

3.4 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

### 4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1 The event is open to all boats of the Melges 15 class.

4.2 Boats may only enter the event by registering online at Regatta Network "calendar" at <http://www.regattanetwork.com>. Registration closes Monday, February 21, 2022. Registration is limited to ~~60~~ 64 boats only.

4.3 Boats shall carry identification bow numbers, corresponding to sail number. Bow numbers must be applied to the forward section of the hull on each side of the boat following the application instructions included with the numbers. Application to the class for approval must be made in cases of variation between bow numbers and sail numbers, and the registrar must be notified of any change.

4.4 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.

## 5 FEES

- 5.1. The registration fee is \$150, including lunches on race days for on-the-water consumption, M15 shirts for two (compliments of the regatta for those who have not yet received a shirt from prior events of the series), and post-race snacks and beverages. Registration for Event 3 is \$200.
- 5.2 Additional shirts will not be available beyond those included with registration.
- 5.3 Entry fee refunds may be granted at the discretion of the of the OA. An administrative fee may be applied.

## 6 SCHEDULE

### 6.1

Date	Time	
Thursday, February 24	1300-1700	Check-in/sign-in, receive materials, install bow numbers
Friday, February 25	1000-1200 1200-1800 1400 1500 1600-1900	<b>FIRST</b> Friday check-in/sign-in, receive materials, install bow numbers Flying Fox Taco Truck (cash, not included) Competitor meeting for practice races Practice races, with debrief and beverages to follow <b>SECOND</b> Friday check-in/sign-in, receive materials, install bow numbers <b>REGATTA CHECK-IN ENDS AT 1900.</b> <b>NO SATURDAY CHECK-IN/SIGN-IN</b>
Saturday, February 26	0900 1000 1130 TBD	<b>NO SATURDAY CHECK-IN/SIGN-IN</b> Lunch distribution Competitor's Meeting Warning for first race of the day (3 races scheduled, see 6.2) Post race beverages and snacks, Dinner on your own
Sunday, February 27	0830 1000 TBD 1500 or TBD	Lunch distribution Warning for first race of the day (3 races scheduled) Post race beverages and snacks Awards

6.2 The RC may run one extra race Saturday, but no more than one additional race.

6.3 On Sunday, no warning signal will be made after ~~1400~~ 1300 hrs.

## 7 VENUE

7.1 Racing will be in Sarasota Bay.

## 8 COURSES

8.1 Courses to be sailed will be windward/leeward ~~or triangle/windward/leeward~~.

## 9 SCORING

9.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

- 9.2 (a) When fewer than six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When six or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## **10 RISK STATEMENT**

**10.1** 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.

## **11 INSURANCE**

**11.1** Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance. The Organizing Authority does not accept any responsibility for verifying a boat is covered by third-party liability insurance.

## **12 PRIZES**

**12.1** Prizes will be awarded to the first five boats; Top Corinthian; Top Woman (provided 2 or more are registered); top Master (age 50 to 59 years); Top Grand Master (ages 60 to 69), and Top Mega Master (age 70 and above). Award age requirements are determined on the day of the first race of Event 1.

**12.2** Scoring for the top three all-inclusive Winter Series competitors will be by accumulation of points from all three events.

## **13 FURTHER INFORMATION**

**13.1** For further information, please contact:

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## **PRACTICAL INFORMATION** **(NOT PART OF THE NOTICE OF RACE)**

### **1. Parking**

#### **a. motor vehicles**

The Sarasota Sailing Squadron is a very active sailing club. Parking is available for trailers and cars outside of the main entrance. Any cars/trailers parked inside the club blocking a member's boat/trailer will be towed at the owner's expense.

#### **b. boats on trailers, boats on dollies**

**Boats on trailers** should be 1) kept in place as stored, or 2) placed on the hoist side/north side/bay side of the main clubhouse, a) on the Stone House shop concrete pad, or b) placed on the lawn by the BBQ house, or c) placed by the fish cleaning shack.

**Boat on dollies** should be 1) kept in place as stored, or 2) placed on the ramp side/south side/youth sailing side of the clubhouse a) by the Hobie Waves, or b) placed on the flag pole lawn.

### **2. Accommodations**

There is no tent, car or RV camping permitted at SSS this year. Camping may be available at Oscar Scherer State Park or Myakka State Park (quite a distance away), or Jiggs Landing Campground (closer). There are numerous convenient lodging and dining options in the vicinity of the Squadron. Check your favorite lodging web sites, such as [www.visitsarasota.com](http://www.visitsarasota.com).

### 3. Food

Friday afternoon from 1200 to 1800 Flying Fox Taco Truck will be available (cash, not included).

Morning coffee and light snacks will be available at the bar. Lunch consisting of a variety pre-prepared Subway-type ½ sandwiches and chips will be available prior to leaving the dock for consumption on the water ~~during a break between races~~. Dinner will not be provided. Post race snacks and beverages will be provided.

### 4. Water Bottles

Please bring refillable water bottles. Outdoor water refilling station is located by the main entrance to the Sarasota Sailing Squadron. One use water bottles will not be provided.

### 5. Boat Charters

Interested sailors may contact Melges Performance Sailboats to arrange CHARTER BOATS, while boats are still available. Email: [Eddie@Melges.com](mailto:Eddie@Melges.com) Telephone: 262-275-1110. Those interested in charter can appeal to the class on Facebook group "Melges 15 Class".

### 6. Boat Storage

~~Storage arrangements MAY be available on a LIMITED BASIS by arrangement through the SSS Manager's office at 941-388-2355 or [Manager@ssssailing.com](mailto:Manager@ssssailing.com). Storage of individual boats will be at the rate of \$100 per month for January, February and March (\$50 per week for additional weeks), paid in advance. Box trailers MAY be stored on the grounds on a space available basis through arrangement with the Manager at rates to be determined.~~

~~Based on registration and paid storage numbers/demand, there is the possibility that Sarasota Sailing Squadron may run out of onsite storage space for participants. Please make storage arrangements promptly when online registration becomes available.~~

~~Boats left outside of multi-boat trailers must be charged storage at the individual boat rate.~~

Boat and trailer storage is closed. There is no further storage on Squadron grounds. Sailors must find off-site storage on your own. If you have already arranged storage, please don't change your arrangement.

Off site storage is available for the period from March 1 through return of the boat to the Squadron 1 day before the start of Event 3, including round trip transportation. Owners using this option must pay \$250 by check payable to Barry White, left in the office. Have the boat and trailer road-ready by the end of the day Sunday February 27. Sailors must carry hazard insurance on boat, trailer, and equipment to cover losses on the road and in storage.

Boats and trailers must be removed from the grounds by the end of the day March 31. All vehicles stored on the grounds are subject to being moved as may be necessary to accommodate normal use of the grounds for sailing and parking activities.

### ~~7. Local Racing and Monthly Membership~~

~~Sailors are encouraged to obtain a short term Squadron membership to allows visits for local fleet sailing on Sundays. Monthly membership for a minimum of 3 months is available for \$241.50. See SSS calendar at <https://www.sailingsquadron.com> Let us know you're coming for a visit! We will need 24 hours notice to bring boats from storage.~~

### 8. Further Information

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~~Mail and shipments can be forwarded to this address.~~