2023 Finn North American Masters Championship Regatta

March 30 – April 2, 2023

Buccaneer Yacht Club 4381 Park Rd. Mobile, Alabama 36605



Notice of Race

Amended 12/18/2022

1. Rules

- 1.1 Races will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the US Prescriptions thereto, the International Finn association Class Rules and the Regatta Sailing Instructions. Buccaneer Yacht Club is the Organizing Authority and will administer the race. Sailing Instructions will be available on line (www.bucyc.com) and at Buccaneer Yacht Club on March 30, 2023.
- 1.2 RRS 40.1 applies. "Each competitor shall wear a personal flotation device except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment." The "Y" flag will not be displayed.
- 1.3 Finn Class Rule C.1.1 will be in effect. It is the intent of the OA to apply Finn Class Rule C.1.1 when the wind is consistently 10 knots or above. This changes RRS 42.2(a), 42.2(b) and 42.2(c).
- 1.4 Measurement will not be performed at Buccaneer Yacht Club but all boats may be weighed. Boats must comply with current Finn Class measurement rules. Skippers may be asked to show compliance with all safety gear as required by US Coast Guard and Finn Class rules.
- 1.5 Advertising shall be permitted in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20.

2. Eligibility, Registration and Fees

The regatta is open to all boats of the Finn Class whose skipper is a member of a National Finn Class Association and has reached the age of 40 by the end of 2023. Entry will be through Regatta Network. An entry will be considered complete only when the online entry form is submitted and the regatta entry fees are paid. The entry fee is \$175. Entries received after March, 17th 2023 will be charged an additional \$25. Entries will close at 1800 on Thursday March 30th, 2023.

3. Schedule of Events (Eight races are scheduled)

Thursday, March 30

1400 Practice Race(s)

Friday, March 31

1000	Competitors briefing
1155	First Warning Signal; Three (3) races are scheduled.

Saturday, April 1

1025	First Warning Signal; Three (3) races are scheduled.
1700-until	After Race food and drink.

Sunday, April 2

1025 First Warning Signal; Two (2) races are scheduled but three (3) races could be run if less than three were completed on a previous day.
1500 No race to start after. Awards ASAP after racing.

4. Scoring

Each boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score, except that no scores will be excluded if fewer than six (6) races are completed. This changes RRS A2.1. One (1) race shall constitute a series.

5. Awards

The Finn North American Masters Championship perpetual trophy will be awarded to the winner of the regatta. Trophies will also be awarded to the top five (5) finishers overall, and Top "Master" (40-49), Top "Grand Master" (50-59), Top "Grand Grand Master" (60-69), Top "Legend" (70-79), and Top "Vintage Finn" (mfr. before 2003).

6. Photography Consent

By entering the regatta, a competitor grants the OA and/or Host Club in perpetuity to make, use and/or show, from time to time at their discretion, any photographs, motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him taken during the period of competition without compensation.

7. Coach and Support Boats

All support and coach boats must be capable of communication with the Race Committee on VHF channels 16, 68, 69, 71 and 73, and shall respond to any Race Committee requests for help providing rescue and safety of competitors.

8. Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. Neither the Organizing Authority nor the Host Club will accept any liability for property damage or personal injury or death in conjunction with, prior to, during or after the regatta. See RRS 3.

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