



LAUDERDALE YACHT CLUB

QUALIFYING REGATTA FOR THE UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE TO THE 2023 PAN AMERICAN GAMES (PAG) FOR THE INTERNATIONAL SNIPE CLASS and THE RON PAYNE MEMORIAL REGATTA

Racing May 19, 20, 21

The Entry Deadline is 1600 hrs. May 17, 2023 (Subject to Paragraphs 3(a)(iv), 3(a)(v) and 5)

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

SNIPE CLASS INTERNATIONAL RACING ASSOCIATION

Notation [NP]

The notation [NP] in a rule in the SI means that a breach of this rule shall not be grounds for a protest by a boat.

Notation [SP]

The notation [SP] in a rule in the SI means that for a breach of this rule a standard penalty will be applied.

Notation [DP]

The notation [DP] in a rule in the SI means that for a breach of this rule a discretionary penalty will be applied.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 National prescriptions of US Sailing will apply.
- 1.3 The Rules of Conduct (ROC) for Conducting National and International Championships and the trophy restrictions of the Deed of Gift for the Ron Payne Memorial Regatta will apply. Any conflict arising between the Deed of Gift and the SCIRA Rules of Conduct shall be solved by the application of the Rules of Conduct.
- 1.4 In case of conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instruction the Sailing Instructions shall prevail. This changes RRS 63.7.
- 1.5 The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Lauderdale Yacht Club.
- 1.6 Any competitor causing serious damage to an anchored race committee vessel may not be exonerated by RRS 44.1 (Taking a Penalty). The Jury may impose a penalty of up to DNE for a violation of RRS 31 (Touching a Mark) that causes such damage. This changes RRS 44.1 and 64.2.
- 1.7 This event is part of US Sailing's athlete selection procedures for the following events: the 2023 Pan Am Games. Competitors who wish to represent the US in this event must meet the requirements described in the selection documents here: <https://www.ussailing.org/olympics/selection/>.

2 COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board(s) located at the LYC Sailing Center until after the Competitors' Meeting on Friday, May 19. As per the First Supplemental NOR, the Regatta Headquarters will move after the Competitors' Meeting. The Notice Board(s) also will move with the Regatta Headquarters. The new Regatta Headquarters housing the Official Notice Board(s) will be in the Atlantic Ballroom at the NE corner of the first floor of the Main Clubhouse and will be accessible from the outside patio on the East side of the Atlantic Ballroom.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 on the day before it will take effect.
- 3.2 Any change or amendment to the Sailing Instructions shall be approved by the SCIRA Representative.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the LYC Sailing Center
- 4.2 When AP is lowered with one accompanying sound signal, the estimated time of the warning signal for the next race will be posted on the Official Notice Board. This changes Race Signals.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 Dates of racing are May 19, 20, 21
- 5.2 The Race Committee shall attempt to complete eight races.
- 5.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for all days is 1100 hrs.
- 5.5 On the last day of scheduled racing no warning signal will be made after 1500.

6 CLASS FLAGS

The official Class Flag shall be the Snipe Class flag, a Snipe on a white background.

7 RACING AREAS

The racing area shall be in the Atlantic Ocean approximately one mile south or north of the Port Everglades Channel Entrance.

8 WEATHER LIMITATION (Course and Starting)

The wind speed ranges shall be in accordance with the Rules of Conduct for Conducting National and International Regattas and the applicable Deed of Gift.

9 THE COURSES

- 9.1 The diagrams attached show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs and the order in which marks are to be passed. All course marks shall be left to port, unless there is a leeward gate present. If a leeward gate mark is missing, round the leeward mark "3" to port. For course 2, the gate marks (3p 3s) may be left to port or starboard on the final leeward leg. For course 4, mark 3 may be left to port or starboard on the final run. This changes the courses outlined in the official courses from the Snipe Class Rules of Conduct.
- 9.2 The course signal ("1", "2", "3", "4", "5" or "6") shall be displayed on a white board located on the signal boat not less than two minutes before the warning signal. It shall remain displayed for ten minutes after the start.
- 9.3 No later than two minutes before the warning signal, the Race Committee Signal Boat will display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.
- 9.4 If during a race the wind and/or wave action changes to the point where the selected course would be inadvisable (See Course Selection Diagram), the Race Committee may change the course at any mark. A change of a course during the race shall be signalled displaying the new appropriate course flag accompanied by repetitive sounds before the leading boat has passed or rounded the mark.
- 9.5 A sustained wind variation of 20 degrees or more from the posted bearing during the first leg of a race shall result in the race to be abandoned and re-sailed, or abandoned. This changes the RRS 32.1.
- 9.6 A sustained wind variation of 40 degrees or more from the posted bearing during the first lap shall result in the race being abandoned and re-sailed, or abandoned. For the purpose of this rule a lap means the rounding of mark 3 (or passing the gate 3s-3p) for the first time. This changes the RRS 32.1.
- 9.7 The number of legs in a race may be reduced (RRS code flag S) but at least 2 (two) windward legs of the race shall be completed. This changes the RRS 32.2. [*The SCIRA Representative shall be consulted.*]
- 9.8 Notwithstanding any provision, rule or RRS to the contrary, to accommodate minor windshifts and minor changes in velocity, a mark of the course may be moved up to 5 degrees and up to .1 nm in length in order to maintain the configuration without using the provisions of section 12.

10 **MARKS**

- 10.1 Marks “1”, “2” and “3” will be orange marks.
- 10.2 Intentionally left blank
- 10.3 An offset mark (1bis) will be a red ball.
- 10.4 The starting mark “S” will be yellow, or an orange flag on an anchored R/C boat at the pin end of the starting line.
- 10.5 The finishing mark will be as indicated in the course selection diagram and depending on the course chosen will either be a yellow mark, an orange flag on an anchored R/C boat in the vicinity of the port end of the starting line, or a round ball deployed at a 90 degree axis from the reaching mark “2” to leeward of the main R/C boat (for reaching finish courses).

11 **THE START**

- 11.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26.
- 11.2 The starting line will be between the mast of an orange flag on the Race Committee Signal Boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port end starting mark “S,” as defined in 10.4.
- 11.3 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.
- 11.4 RRS 30.4 (‘Black Flag Rule’) shall not be used.
- 11.5 8.4 Z, U flag rule is modified so that Race Committee may display at the first mark, or on the Race Committee boat in case of a general recall, the sail number(s) or bow number(s) of those boats that have infringed the rule.
- 11.6 The Race Committee, after the finish of a race and before the warning signal of a subsequent one, will do its best to post on the Race Committee boat a list of OCS and/or ZPF boats. The failure of posting or an incomplete or wrong list will not be grounds for redress.
- 11.7 There may be multiple attention sounds before the warning signal.

12 **CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

- 12.1 Subject to SI 9.8, to change the next leg of the course, the Race Committee will move the original mark (or move the finish line) (subject to the provisions of 9.5 and 9.6) before the first boat rounds the previous mark and begins the leg to be changed. Signals in accordance with the racing rules of sailing (code flag Charlie) and the new range and bearing will be displayed on an R/C boat in the vicinity of the previous mark.
- 12.2 (Intentionally left blank.)
- 12.3 After the completion of first windward leg of the race the remaining legs may be increased or decreased by not more than 30% of the original length. This changes the RRS 33). [*The SCIRA Representative shall be consulted on any change of course which affects its length.*]
- 12.4 If Mark 1 will be changed in courses “1” or “2”, Mark 1bis (offset) will no longer be a course mark.

13 **THE FINISH**

- 13.1 The finish line will be between the mast of an orange flag on a Race Committee boat and the course side of the finishing mark, as per 10.5, or between an orange flag on an anchored Race Committee boat and the course side of Mark 1. (for courses with a windward finish).
- 13.2 The Alpha flag displayed on the Race Committee boat at the finish means that there will be no more races for the day.

14 **PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 14.1 Appendix P will apply.
- 14.2 A competitor taking a one/two turn(s) penalty during a race shall report the penalty to the R/C Signal Boat promptly after finishing.

15 **TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES**

- 15.1 The races will be managed to last 60-75 minutes for the first boat to finish. A different time (shorter or longer) used to complete the race will not be ground for requesting redress.
- 15.2 The time limit for the first boat to complete the first lap is 40 minutes from the start. If the first boat fails to complete the first lap within 40 minutes the Race Committee shall abandon the race. For the purpose of this rule a lap means the rounding of Mark 3 (or passing the Gate 3s/3p) for the first time.

- 15.3 The time limit for the first boat to finish the race shall be 1 hour, 30 minutes. Any boat finishing more than 30 minutes after the first boat finishes or failing to finish within 2 hours from the start, whichever is shorter shall be scored Did Not Finish (DNF). This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

16 **PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 16.1 Protest forms are available at the Regatta Headquarters, located in the Atlantic Room at the LYC Main Clubhouse. Protests and requests for redress or reopening a hearing shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 16.2 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the Signal Boat docks.
- 16.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, the location of which will be available at Regatta Headquarters, and will begin at the time posted.
- 16.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or Jury will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 16.5 Within the protest time limit, a list of boats that have been penalized for breaking rules 29, 30 or 42 will be posted.
- 16.6 Within the protest time limit, a list of boats that have been penalized for breaking RRS 29.1(OCS) or 30.1(OCS) or 30.2(ZPF) 30.3(UFD) will be posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 16.7 Breaches of rules in the SI 12 and marked with [NP] will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a).
- 16.8 The penalty for breaking rules in the SI marked with [SP] may be applied at the discretion of the Race Committee, without a hearing, and shall be the 5% scoring penalty for nearest race completed by the infringing boat but not worse than the number of points corresponding to DSQ. This changes the RRS 63.1 and the App.A5.
- 16.9 The penalty for breaking rules in the SI marked as [DP] may be applied at the discretion of **the** Jury.
- 16.10 Penalties for breaking Class Rules may be less than disqualification.
- 16.11 A list of boats that have been penalized as per SI 16.8 and 16.9 will be posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 16.12 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered
- (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
 - (b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.
- This changes rule 66.
- 16.13 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a Jury decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 66.2.
- 16.14 The Jury shall abandon the race if, during a redress hearing, they conclude that the Race Committee did not follow Sailing Instructions 8, 9.5, 9.6, 9.7 and 12.3. This changes rule 64.2.

17 **SCORING**

- 17.1 The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply.
- 17.2 Eight races are scheduled, of which three races shall be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 17.3
- (a) When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - (b) When from five to eight races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

18 **[NP][SP][DP] SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 18.1 Before the warning signal of the first race of the day each boat is required to sail past the stern of the Race Committee Signal Boat on starboard tack and verbally check in. The Race Committee Signal Boat will display a Race Committee Flag when on station and prepared to accept competitors' check-in prior to the first warning signal. When the Race Committee verbally acknowledges a boat's sail number, the check-in has been officially noted.
- 18.2 Boats choosing to remain ashore and not leave the harbor for the day's racing shall inform the Race Headquarters prior to the harbor start.
- 18.3 A skipper requesting assistance will attempt to signal by waving one arm over the skipper's head.
- 18.4 A boat that decides not to compete in the race or retires after starting a race shall notify the Race Committee or report to a safety boat as soon as practical. No boat shall leave the vicinity of the racing area without obtaining specific permission from a safety boat.

18.5 Except while briefly changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment, each competitor shall wear a personal flotation device at all times while afloat (RRS 40). Code Flag “Y” will not be displayed.

19 **REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

19.1 The same crew shall race in all races, except for reasons satisfactory to the Race Committee. Requests for a change of crew shall be submitted in writing to the Chairman. Once a crew has been excused, he/she may not return for the balance of the series.

19.2 The same skipper shall sail all races and can be replaced after the first race only, and then only if he/she is obviously incapacitated. If a skipper is replaced the first race shall be the race dropped, or scored DNC.

19.3 **[DP]** Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the Race Committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

20 **[SP][DP] EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a Race Committee or the SCIRA Representative to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

21 **[NP] EVENT ADVERTISING**

Boats shall display event advertising supplied by the organizing authority, if any.

22 **OFFICIAL BOATS**

Race Committee boats will display a blue R/C Flag. Safety boats will display a flag distinguishing them from R/C boats and Support Boats.

23 **[NP][DP] SUPPORT BOATS**

23.1 At the preparatory signal, coaches must be positioned at least 50 meters below the starting line. After the starting signal coaches may follow the fleet, but they must remain outside the lay lines to the weather mark “1” on both the windward and leeward legs.

23.2 Coaches shall not communicate with competitors after the warning signal for any race until after the competitors have finished the race.

23.3 Coaches shall register at the Regatta Office and all support boats shall be identified with a flag provided at all times while afloat, including at dock.

23.4 Coach boats must dock in the designated area specified by the Race Committee or LYC Marina Director.

23.5 All coach and support boats are required to monitor the race committee communication channel at all times while afloat during scheduled racing days and be available to assist with safety when requested. See Safety Addendum. Code flag V will not be displayed. This changes RRS 37.

24 **[DP] RADIO COMMUNICATIONS**

A boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not specified in writing as available to all boats, except in an emergency or when using equipment provided by the Race Committee.

25 **[DP] DRONES**

No drones are allowed closer than 500 m from racing areas from the Warning Signal for a race and after the last boat has finished the race. As a penalty for breaching this rule the Jury may impose a discretionary penalty [DP] to all boats associated with the owner / operator of the drone. This does not apply to OA drones.

26 **[NP][DP] TRASH DISPOSAL, GEAR AND EQUIPMENT**

Trash can be deposited on an R/C, support, coach, or safety boat. No gear or equipment may be placed on an R/C or safety boat.

27 **PRIZES**

Overall prizes shall be awarded at the conclusion of the event. Individual race prizes may be awarded daily.

28 **[NP][SP][DP] SAFETY ADDENDUM**

The Safety Addendum is posted on the Regatta Website and is incorporated herein.

28 **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.

Signatures:

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Principal Race Officer - Tom Lihan

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SCIRA Representative - Daryl Waskow