

Notice of Race (Series)



2023-24 Sarasota Viper Winter Series

1. Rules

1.1 Regattas in the Series will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing.

1.2 The Organizing Authority for the Series will be the Sarasota Sailing Squadron

2. Entry

2.1 Entry in the Series is open to all current members of the Viper 640 Class Association. Entry may be made online at:

www.regattanetwork.com

2.2 Registration for each individual event will have a **cap of 20 boats**. The definition of "registered of an event" is having all required registration forms complete and full payment made.

3. Fees

3.1 The entry fee is \$225 per individual event 2-Day Event (Dec, Jan, Feb). Entry includes (for 3 or 4 crew) continental breakfast each day, post sailing beverages/snacks, class debriefs and event crew merchandise (TBD).

3.2 On site, storage is available at Sarasota Sailing Squadron at a rate of \$325 per month (\$75/week for addition weeks) per single trailer, for active and fully registered participants in the series events between Dec and Feb. Storage arrangements must be made and paid for in advance via www.regattanetwork.com. 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. Rates for box trailers and/or larger boat storage systems will have to be arranged with the Sailing Squadron Manager directly.

4. Schedule

4.1 Three regattas are scheduled/available for the series.

4.2 Event #1 - Dec. 9-10th, 2023 **(2-days)**

Event #2- Jan. 13-14th, 2024 **(2-days)**

Event #3- Feb. 10-11th, 2024 **(2-days)**

4.3 The racing schedule for each regatta will be as follows.

Event Day 1:

Registration 0900-1000

Competitors Briefing 1030

Warning Signal 1200

Event Day 2 :

Warning Signal 1000

No Warning Signal After 1500

Awards As soon as practical after racing

4.4 Multiple races are scheduled for each day of racing.

5. Sailing Instructions

5.1 The SIs **will not** be available in printed format at the Competitors Briefing, they will only be available online at www.regattanetwork.com

6. Venue

6.1 The shore side venue will be the Sarasota Sailing Squadron.

6.2 The racing area will be Sarasota Bay

7. Courses

7.1 The courses will windward/leeward and will be further described in the Sailing Instructions. It is anticipated that MarkSet Bots will be utilized.

8. Penalty System

8.1 Appendix T1 will apply. App T1 reads as follows: *The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: 'A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while racing. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.'*

9. Individual Event Scoring

9.1 One race constitutes a regatta.

9.2 The low point scoring system of appendix A will apply, as amended in 9.3 below.

9.3 When six or more races are sailed, a boats' score for that regatta will be the total of her race scores minus her worst finish.

10. Series Scoring

10.1 For the series scoring purposes, any boat that competes in at least one of the series events will also be scored in the entire series. A boats series score will be her total score, including all races not sailed in the series, excluding her worst 30% (rounded to the next higher whole number) of race scores.

11. Haul-Out Restrictions

11.1 There are no haul-out restrictions.

12. Radio Communication

12.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

13. Prizes

13.1 Prizes will be awarded to the top 3 finishers in each regatta, as well as the top 3 overall finishers in the series. The Viper Winter Series Perpetual Trophy will also be awarded to the series winner.

14. Disclaimer of Liability

14.1 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.

15. Further Information

15.1 For Regatta, Series, Storage related questions, contact Travis Yates at: (941) 350-0908 or travis.y@gxg.org

15.2 No onsite camping is allowed.