



60th ANNUAL DON Q SNIPE EVENT
APRIL 10 - APRIL 12, 2026
COCONUT GROVE SAILING CLUB AND MIAMI SNIPE FLEET # 7



NOTICE OF RACE

Posted February 05 2026, **Amended Feb 23 2026**, **March 14 2026**

1 RULES:

- 1.1 The Organizing Authority is Coconut Grove Sailing Club and Miami Snipe Fleet #7.
- 1.2 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing ("RRS") and by the SCIRA [2026 Non-Championship Rules of Conduct](#) ("ROC")
- 1.3 The following Prescriptions of US Sailing are the only Prescriptions that will apply: Appendix R, the prescription to the preamble to Part 5, and the prescriptions to rules 65.1, 70.3(b), 76.1 and 88.2, **posted as a separate document on the Official Notice Board**
- 1.4 Each Snipe racing in this event must have aboard life-saving equipment conforming to government regulations in either the USA or the home country of each of the sailors aboard.
- 1.5 The following Rules may be amended in the Sailing Instructions: RRS 27.1; RRS 30.4; RRS 32; RRS 33; RRS 35; RRS 44.3(c), RRS 61.2(b); RRS Appendix A2; RRS Appendix A4; RRS Appendix A5; RRS Appendix A10; and RRS Race Signals.
- 1.6 There may be judges afloat calling modified Appendix P. More details will be included in the sailing instructions.

2 VAKAROS:

- 2.1 The Vakaros RaceSense system will be utilized by the Race Committee (RC). *This changes RRS 41(c).*
- 2.2 Each sailor must be using either an Atlas Edge unit or an Atlas 2 unit with only the following three functions enabled: start timer, magnetic heading, OCS notification.
- 2.3 If you own your own Vakaros unit, you must bring it to registration and make sure it is configured in Snipe Class compliant mode (see NOR 2.2 above).
- 2.4 If entries do not have an Atlas 2 or Atlas Edge, one can be rented from Vakaros at a cost of \$35 per day (\$105 for the event). These will be handed out at registration Friday 1630-1800. Renters must complete the rental process at the following link: <https://www.vakaros.com/products/racesense-atlas-2-rental?variant=47871819514070>
Please be sure to select the "Snipe Don Q" option when booking.
- 2.5 Instructions for mounting of the units on the boats will be posted in a separate document on the Official Notice Board.

2.6. Instructions for use (Addendum F) will be posted as a separate document on the Official Notice Board AND be included as an addendum to the Sailing Instructions.

2.7 RaceSense information is available to all boats.

2.8 Failure of an Atlas 2 or Edge or the RaceSense system shall not be grounds for opening a hearing considering redress. This changes RRS 61.1.

3. ADVERTISING: Advertising is permitted as per Snipe Class Rules. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY:

4.1 The regatta is open to SCIRA registered boats and Class Member skippers **and crews** who are in good standing with SCIRA for the current year.

4.2 Boats shall enter the Regatta by completing the on-line registration and paying the entry fee on the event website,
https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/30884#_registration
Full payment must be received for registration to be complete.

5. SCHEDULE:

No more than **three (3)** races are scheduled per day, with a maximum of eight (8) races for the event.

Thursday, April 9, 2026

Check-in **1630** to **1830**

Competitor's Meeting at 1830

Friday, April 10, 2026

Warning Signal 1100 (add'l Races to Follow)

Cuban appetizers after the race

Saturday, April 11, 2026

Warning Signal 1100 (add'l Races to Follow)

Lasagna Dinner at 1700

Sunday, April 12, 2026

Warning Signal 1100 (add'l Races to Follow)

No warning signal after 1430

6. FEES:

\$195.00 if payment received by 6pm on Friday, March 20, 2026.

\$225.00 if payment received after 6pm on March 20, 2026

No entries will be accepted after 1800 hours on April 8, 2026

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

The Sailing Instructions will be posted on the event website by April 8rd.

All Regatta documents are at

https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/30884#_docs

8. VENUE Coconut Grove Sailing Club, 2990 South Bayshore Drive,
Miami, Florida, 33133 - Phone: (305) 444-4571
Vehicle parking on Club property available only for Club members.
Trailers must be stored off property.

9. COURSES: As per the Sailing Instructions.

10. SCORING:

Low Point System in RRS Appendix "A" shall be used, as amended in the SI's.

11. AWARDS:

Skipper and crew for first through fifth places, top Under 30 skipper and crew and top Women skipper and crew.

Also, the District 4 Guy Roberts - Francis Seavy Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the top placing skipper/crew who are both District 4 SCIRA members.

12. QUALIFICATION FOR SUBSEQUENT EVENT:

The top (1) eligible US skipper will qualify for the 2027 SCIRA Western Hemisphere & Asia Championship in Porto Alegre, Brazil, October 11–17, 2027.

13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY:

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 3, 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.

14. FURTHER INFORMATION:

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