

2011 Ding Schoonmaker Cup

Davis Island Yacht Club

Tampa, Florida

November 12, 2011

NOTICE OF RACE

1 Rules

The Regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) and the rules of the International Star Class Yacht Racing Association (STCR). The Organizing Authority is the Davis Island Yacht club in conjunction with the International Star Class Yacht Racing Association (ISCYRA). The host fleet is the Tampa Bay Star Fleet.

- 1.1 The prescriptions of the national authority, US Sailing, do not apply except as provided in the Prescription to RRS 88; the US Prescriptions to Rules 68, 76.1 and 76.3 apply and are stated fully in paragraph 13 below.
- 1.2 RRS 32 will be changed to provide that courses will not be shortened.
- 1.3 RRS 33b will not apply.
- 1.4 RRS 35 will be changed to provide that boats not finishing within 60 minutes after the first boat to finish will be scored "Did Not Finish" without a hearing.

2 Advertising

Boats may be required to display Event Advertising on the forward part of the hull. Advertising for tobacco products is strongly discouraged.

3 Eligibility and Entry

- 3.1 Entries eligible in accordance with STCR 21, 26, 29 and 30 may compete.
- 3.2 Entries may be made by registering with the Race Committee on November 11-12, 2011
- 3.3 Only skippers and crew eligible to compete under the ISAF Eligibility Code shall be eligible to compete in this regatta.

4 Fees

A fee of \$25.00 will be assessed for all contestants not registered for the 2011 North American Championships. The fee is included in the registration fee for the 2011 North American Championships.

5 Schedule

The first signal for the regatta will be at 1100, November 12, 2011. Three races are scheduled of which one race shall constitute a regatta

6 Sailing Instructions

The Sailing Instructions will be available during registration and may be posted on the event website.

7 Venue

Racing will be conducted on Hillsborough Bay south of Davis Island Yacht Club.

8 Courses

Courses will be according to STCR 34.

9 Scoring

The Low Point Scoring System, RRS Appendix A, will apply, modified so that each series score will be the total of her races scores.

10 Team and Private Support Boats

A yacht shall receive no outside assistance from support boats or otherwise once she has left the dock until all boats have finished the last race. except in the case of emergency and/or towing supplied by the organizer and available to all participants.

11 Prizes

- 11.1 Series prizes will be awarded to the skipper and crew finishing first through third.
- 11.2 Grand Master's trophies will be awarded to the skipper and crew finishing first in the Series for skippers aged 60 or over before the start of the first race. Competitors in the Grand Master's Division will also compete for Series prizes.

12 Disclaimer

The Organizing Authority shall require each competitor to sign a waiver for loss, damage or injury to persons or property occurring in conjunction with the regatta or on the property of Davis Island Yacht Club. The Organizing Authority, their members, employees, officers and/or agents shall not be responsible for any loss, damage or injury that may occur to person or property whether ashore or at sea as a consequence of the participation of any boat.

13 Applicable US Sailing Prescriptions

13.1 After RRS 68 add: "US SAILING prescribes that:

(a) A boat that retires from a race or accepts a penalty does not, by that action alone, admit liability for damages.

(b) A protest committee shall find facts and make decisions only in compliance with the rules. No protest committee or US SAILING appeal authority shall adjudicate any claim for damages. Such a claim is subject to the jurisdiction of the courts.

(c) A basic purpose of the rules is to prevent contact between boats. By participating in an event governed by the rules, a boat agrees that responsibility for damages arising from any breach of the rules shall be based on fault as determined by application of the rules, and that she shall not be governed by the legal doctrine of 'assumption of risk' for monetary damages resulting from contact with other boats."

13.2 After RRS 76.1 add: "US SAILING prescribes that an organizing authority or race committee shall not reject or cancel the entry of a boat or exclude a competitor eligible under the notice of race and sailing instructions for an arbitrary or capricious reason or for reason of race, color, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, or age."

13.3 Add RRS 76.3: "US SAILING prescribes that a boat whose entry is rejected or cancelled or a competitor who is excluded from a race or series shall be, upon written request, entitled to a hearing conducted by the protest committee under rules 63.2, 63.3, 63.4 and 63.6."

14 Information

See the regatta website at www.henrymoore.org/2011starNA.

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