

# **US-IRC GULF STREAM SERIES 2007**

The **Gulf Stream Series** is sailed exclusively under **IRC** www.us-irc.org

Open to all yachts that hold an endorsed IRC Certificate and are eligible to race in the events that comprise the Gulf Stream Series.

All yachts will race as individual entries, but are encouraged to form two-boat teams representing nations, yacht clubs, or other yachting associations to compete for the "Gulf Stream Series Trophy" and the "Gulf Stream Series TEAM Trophy"

## The **Gulf Stream Series** includes these events:

Ft. Lauderdale to Key West Race January 10 2007.

Acura Key West 2007 January 15-19 2007

Pineapple Cup Montego Bay Race February 16 2007

St Maarten Heineken Regatta March 2-4 2007

Acura Miami Grand Prix 2007 March 8-11 2007

International Rolex Regatta, St Thomas March 23-25 2007

The BVI Spring Regatta and Sailing Festival March 26 - April 1 2007

Charleston Race Week April 12-15 2007

American Yacht Club Spring Series April 28-29 & May 5-6 2007

Stanford Antigua Sailing Week April 29-May 4 2007

Storm Trysail Club Block Island Race May 25 2007

Annapolis to Newport Race June 1 2007

New York Yacht Club's 153rd Annual Regatta presented by Rolex, June 8-10 2007

Storm Trysail Club Block Island Race Week XXII presented by Rolex, June 17-22 2007

Marblehead to Halifax Ocean Race July 8th 2007

Stamford Yacht Club Vineyard Race August 31 2007

Storm Trysail Club IRC East Coast Championship, Annapolis November 2-4 2007

## AMENDED and REVISED NOTICE OF SERIES April 5 2007

#### 1. ELIGIBILITY

The series is open to individual yachts holding an IRC ENDORSED certificate that qualify for entry in the individual events that comprise the Gulf Stream Series.

#### 2. TEAMS

**Gulf Stream Series** – Teams may compete for the Gulf Stream Team Trophy. Teams representing nations, yacht clubs or other yachting associations shall consist of any two eligible yachts. Team members shall participate as individual entries; each member does not have to participate in the same events as their team member.

## 3. RULES

3.1 Valid endorsed 2006 certificates may be used for the following races:

The Lauderdale to Key West Race All IRC races of Acura Key West 2007

All other events require 2007 endorsed certificates to qualify for this series.

## 4. ENTRIES, CONDITIONS

- 4.1 Individual yacht entries for the Gulf Stream Series shall be made on line at <a href="www.us-irc.org">www.us-irc.org</a> select the link to "Gulf Stream Series".
- 4.2 Gulf Stream Series TEAM entries shall be made on line at <a href="www.us-irc.org">www.us-irc.org</a> select the link to "Gulf Stream Series".
- 4.3 The entry fee for each participating yacht is free.

## 5. SCORING

5.1 The series will be scored based upon the results of completed events as follows: each yacht must race in, and comply with requirements for, all GROUPS.

## **GROUP (1) Medium Distance Races**

Each competitor shall complete **one** race of the following races,
Ft. Lauderdale to Key West Race **OR** the Storm Trysail Club Block Island Race **OR**Stamford Yacht Club's Vineyard Race.

## **GROUP (2) Long Distance Races**

Each competitor shall complete **one** race of the following races:

Pineapple Cup Montego Bay Race **OR** The Annapolis to Newport Race **OR** The Marblehead to Halifax Ocean Race

## **GROUP (3) Other Events**

Each competitor shall complete **three** of the following series:

Acura Key West 2007 **OR** 

Acura Miami Grand Prix 2007 OR

International Rolex Regatta, St Thomas OR

The BVI Spring Regatta and Sailing Festival **OR** 

St Maarten Heineken Regatta OR

Stanford Antigua Sailing Week

Charleston Race Week **OR** 

American Yacht Club's Spring Series **OR** 

New York Yacht Club's 153rd Annual Regatta presented by Rolex OR

Storm Trysail Club Block Island Race Week presented by Rolex OR

Storm Trysail Club IRC East Coast Championship

- 5.2 Yachts finishing more than the minimum number of events in any group may discard their worst score(s) in that group.
- 5.3 Each yacht's individual score in the **distance races**, **Groups 1 & 2**, will be determined by her finish position in the endorsed certificate IRC fleet divided by the number of starters in that fleet.
- 5.4 Each yacht's individual score in regattas in Group 3 will be her overall finish position within the IRC Endorsed yachts within her class divided by the number of IRC Endorsed yacht starters in that class.
- 5.5 Each yacht's score for the Gulf Stream Series will be the sum of its points of its qualifying events. The lowest score wins.
- 5.6 Each team's scores will be the sum of each yacht's individual qualifying scores as described in paragraphs 5.3 and 5.4.
- 5.7 **Organizing Authorities** shall ensure that each **FLEET in Groups 1 & 2** events shall start with a minimum of 5 yachts with IRC endorsed certificates, if the event is to qualify for the series.
- 5.8 **Organizing Authorities** will endeavor to ensure that each **CLASS in Group 3** shall start with 5 or more yachts with IRC endorsed certificates, if there are less than five yachts in their class those yachts cannot count that event in their series.

#### 6. PRIZES

The *Gulf Stream Trophy* will be awarded to the yacht with the best score in the **Gulf Stream Series**.

The *Gulf Stream Team Trophy* will be awarded to the team having the best combined score in the **Gulf Stream Series**. Prizes will be awarded to each yacht on the winning team.

## 7. PRIZE AWARDS

Prizes will be awarded at the New York Yacht Club annual awards dinner at their 44<sup>th</sup> St Clubhouse in New York City on November 8, 2007. All winners will be invited to attend.

## 8. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For further information on individual events please visit the following websites:

#### Fort Lauderdale Yacht Club

www.keywestrace.org

New York Yacht Club International Rolex Regatta www.nyyc.org www.rolexcupregatta.com

Acura Key West 2008 and 2008 Acura Miami Grand Prix Premiere Racing Events www.premiere-racing.com

> BVI Spring Regatta and Sailing Festival 2008 www.bvispringregatta.org

Storm Trysail Club St Maarten Heineken Regatta www.stormtrysail.org www.heinekenregatta.com

The Fort Lauderdale to Charleston Race www.fortlauderdaletocharlestonrace.org

American Yacht Club Spring Series www.americanyc.com

Stanford Antigua Sailing Week
<a href="https://www.sailingweek.com">www.sailingweek.com</a>
Stamford Yacht Club Vineyard Race
<a href="https://www.stamfordyc.com">www.stamfordyc.com</a>

Charleston Race Week Regatta Presidente Cup
www.charlestonraceweek.com www.casadecamporegatta.com/copapresidente2008