



# **INVITATIONAL WINTER SERIES**

# Event #2 1/21-24/2021 MIAMI, FLORIDA, U.S.A

# **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The organizing authority is Twelve USA, INC. The host facility, regatta office and berthing site is Shake a Leg Miami (SALM), 2620 S Bayshore Drive, Miami, Florida, USA. The invited classes are Melges 24 and J/70.

#### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 Rules and US Sailing prescriptions which are applicable are: rule 61.4, Appendix R, and prescriptions to rules 40, 60.3, 67, 70.5(a), 76.1 and Appendix V. No other prescriptions are applicable. The penalty specified in Appendix V2 is changed to 20 % for fleets of over 20 boats.
- 1.3 Except for the rules of RRS PARTS 2 and 3, the protest committee may impose an alternate penalty less than DSQ for breaking a rule. This changes RRS 64.1.
- 1.4 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.
- 1.5 All boats shall carry a functioning VHF radio for emergencies and monitoring the race committee. The VHF channel is **72**. If the channel is changed notice will be posted on the signal vessel.
- 1.6 The Class Rules of the classes will be in effect, except where changed in the notice of race (NOR) and/or these sailing instructions (SI).
- 1.7 If there is a conflict between the NOR and SI, the sailing instructions will take precedence. This changes RRS **63.7.**

#### 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board on Yacht Scoring.

#### 3. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Any change to the SI 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 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

# 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole at SALM. When flag **AP** is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in RACE SIGNAL **AP**.

# 5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

# Thursday, January 21

1600 - 1900 Registration packets pick up at SALM for Melges 24

1830 - Melges 24 Virtual Skipper's Meeting

# Friday, January 22

1000 - Lunches pick up SALM

1100 - Melges 24 First Warning Signal

after racing - Bacardi Cocktail bags pick up

1600 – 1900 Registration packets pick up at SALM for J/70

1830 – J / 70 Virtual Skipper's Meeting

# Saturday, January 23

900 - 1000 - Lunches pick up SALM

1000 - J/70 First Warning Signal

1100 - Melges 24 First Warning signal

after racing – Bacardi Cocktail bags pick up

# Sunday, January 24

900 - 1000 - Lunches pick up SALM

1000 - Melges 24 First Warning Signal

1100 – J / 70 First Warning signal

after racing - Bacardi Cocktail bags pick up

# 6. CLASS FLAGS

6.1 Class flags will be the Melges 24 and the J/70 class insignia on a white background.

# 7. RACING AREA

7.1 The racing area will be on Biscayne Bay approximately 2 - 3 nm south of Dinner Key Channel Mark number "1".

#### **ILLUSTRATION A - RACING AREA.**

#### 8. THE COURSES

- 8.1 No later than the warning signal for the class, the race committee signal vessel will display the course designation, the approximate compass bearing, and the length of the first leg.
- 8.2 The courses will be windward/leeward with an optional windward offset and a gate.

#### **ILLUSTRATION B - COURSES.**

#### 9. MARKS

- 9.1 Melges 24 windward mark <u>1A</u> will be an orange mark (MarkSetBot). The offset mark for Mark 1A will be a red ball positioned at approximately 90 degrees to port of mark 1A. Both marks shall be left to port.
- 9.2 J/70 windward mark **1B** will be a green tetrahedron. The offset mark for Mark 1B will be a red ball positioned at approximately 90 degrees to port of mark 1B. Both marks shall be left to port.
- 9.3 Leeward marks **4s** and **4p** will be a gate between orange marks (MSB). Boats will sail between the gate marks from the previous mark and may round either mark.
- 9.4 If only a single mark is present at the location for mark  $\underline{1A}$ ,  $\underline{1B}$  or  $\underline{2(p)(s)}$ , boats shall leave the mark to port.
- 9.5 Routine movement of the autonomous marks will not be grounds for redress. This includes marks returning to station after having been pushed away by a competitor, and collisions with marks that do not cause damage. Rule 31 applies. This changes rule 62.1(a)

#### 10. THE START

- 10.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.
- 10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee vessel at the starboard end and an automated orange mark or orange inflatable mark at the port end.
- 10.3 A boat that does not start within 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This change RRS A4. When applicable, flag **X** will be displayed for up to 5 minutes. This changes RRS 29.1.
- 10.4 If a boat is identified on the course side of the starting line at the starting signal the race committee will attempt to broadcast the bow number. Failure to make a broadcast or to time it accurately will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

# 11. CHANGE OF THE COURSE

11.1 The race committee may only shorten the course for a class when the first boat in the class completes three legs of the course.

# 12. THE FINISH

- 12.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on a race committee vessel at the port end and an inflatable yellow mark at the starboard end.
- 12.2 Marks **4s** and **4p** are not marks of the course when on a downwind leg to the finish.

# 13. TIME LIMITS

13.1 A race shall be abandoned in which no boat after the start of her class passes the windward mark within 30 minutes or no boat sails the course and finishes within 90 minutes. Boats not finishing within 15 minutes of the

first boat in her class to sail the course and finish will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35 and A5.1.

#### 14. PENALTY SYSTEM

14.1 See SI 1.2 and 1.3.

#### 15. SUPPORT PERSONS AND VESSELS

- 15.1 Support persons vessels shall remain 100 m outside of the areas where boats are racing and starting, including extensions of the starting line, as well as outside race committee and jury vessels from the time of the warning signal for the class until all boats have finished or retired, or the race committee signals an abandonment, or to provide assistance in an emergency.
- 15.2 Support persons will monitor the race committee VHF frequency. The race committee or protest committee may warn by VHF radio a Support Person/Vessel who in their opinion is about to infringe the race area before acting under RRS 3, 60.3(d) or 64.4.

# 16. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 16.1 As soon as practicable after a boat's finish of the race, a boat intending to protest, request redress or retire from that race will notify the race committee signal vessel of their intent, or if impracticable by contact the race office by cell phone.
- 16.2 Actions of the Race Committee including intent to protest, requests for redress and reported penalty turns will be posted on the official notice board prior to the protest time limit. The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat to finish in her class, **AP** over **A** is displayed on the water, or 60 minutes after **AP** over **A** is displayed ashore.
- 16.3 Protests and request for redress shall be submitted on Yacht Scoring. The competitor must log in and make the submission in the owner's corner. Protests will be scheduled to be heard approximately in the order of submission of completed protest. The notices of protests and the schedule of hearings will be posted on the protest section of the official notice board no later than 10 minutes after the protest time limit. Parties and witnesses for protests should report to the lobby area of SALM at the scheduled time of the hearing for that protest and wait in the vicinity until called.
- 16.4 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a jury decision or race committee action shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision or action is posted or the protest time limit, which is later. This changes RRS 62.2.

# 17. SCORING

- 17.1 See NOR 11. SCORING for details.
- 17.2 RRS A2.2 shall not apply.
- 17.3 In RRS A5.2, the "number of boats registered in the series" is deleted and replaced with "the number of boats that came to the starting area during the regatta"
- 17.4 Melges 24 and J/70 Corinthian Divisions will be established. For a boat to be eligible, at check-in the person in charge (RRS 46) and crew must sign an affidavit that they are eligible as World Sailing Category 1. The Corinthian Divisions shall be scored using competitor's fleet scores.
- 17.3 Scoring inquiries will be submitted to the main page of the regatta's Yacht Scoring page.

#### 18. BACARDI INVITATIONAL WINTER SERIES SCORING

- 18.1 There will be class first, second and third place overall prizes for the BACARDI INVITATIONAL WINTER SERIES.
- 18.2 A boat's score for the SERIES will be her score from Event 3 added to the score of either Event 1 or 2, whichever is lower.

#### 19. SAFETY REGULATIONS

19.1 Before the first start of the day, boat crews will check-in when entering the gated docks where their boats are berthed. There will be no check-in on the water. Boats failing to check-in may be scored DNC without a hearing.

# 20. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 20.1 During a regatta, the number of crew must remain the same. Substitution of crew or equipment is not permitted without written approval of the regatta chairman or jury.
- 20.2 To qualify for the Overall Winter Series, the same person must be at the helm in accordance with the class rules for major championships. The crew may change between regattas.

#### 21. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 21.1 There will be NO crew weigh-in. The number of crew will be in compliance with class rules.
- 21.2 If requested by the jury, the person in charge shall promptly submit a valid measurement certificate. Boats may be subject to equipment inspection and measurement at any time, if ordered by the jury following a valid protest.

#### 22. EVENT ADVERTISING

22.1 Boats will display the event sponsor's advertising on the hull in compliance with World Sailing REGULATION 20, ADVERTISING CODE. Materials will be supplied at check in.

#### 23. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

23.1 Boats will not be hauled out during the regatta without the written permission of the race officer or the jury.

#### 24. BOW NUMBERS

24.1 J/70 Class boats at check in will be provided with bow numbers and instructions for their application.

#### 25. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

25.1 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions nor receive voice or data communications that is not available to all boats.

#### **26. PRIZES**

26.1 There will be first, second and third place prizes given for the J/70 and the Melges 24 Classes. For the Corinthian Divisions, first through third place prizes will be given.

# 27. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

27.1 In addition to RRS 3 DECISION TO RACE, the safety of a boat and her entire management shall be the responsibility of the owner(s) and the owner's representative. Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. The regatta organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other participating organizing authority or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in these events.

27.2 By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the regatta organizers from any and all liability associated with participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

# 28. INSURANCE

28.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 USD per incident or the equivalent.

# 29. INFORMATION CONTACTS

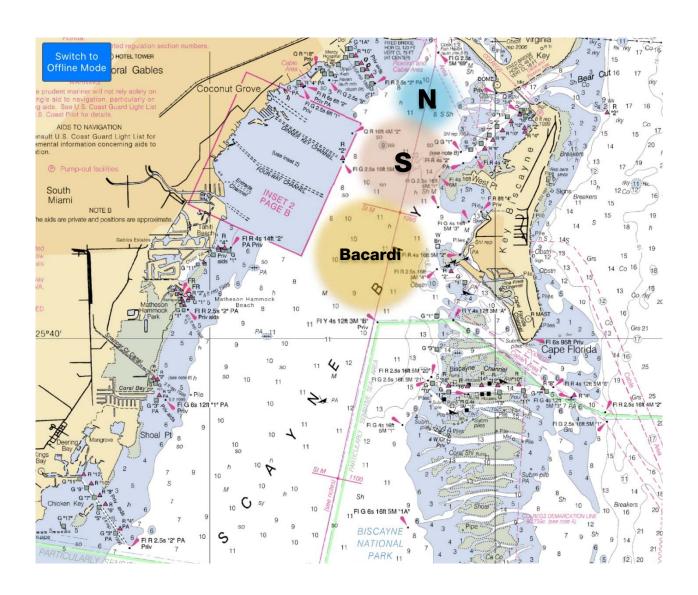
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# 2021 BACARDI INVITATIONAL WINTER SERIES 2 - Race Circle



Circle	VHF	Diameter (nm)
OCR North Circle	73	1.25
OCR South Circle	74	1.5
Bacardi WS #2	72	1.5

MELGES 24 & J70 Course 2 - One Lap Course 4 - Two Laps

