



Finn Gold Cup 2023
Coconut Grove Sailing Club
24 January 2023 to 31 January 2023
(Amended January 12, 2023)

NOTICE OF RACE

1. Organizing Authority and Venue

- 1.1 The 2023 Finn Gold Cup will be held from 24 January to 31 January 2023 in Miami, USA.
- 1.2 The Organizing Authority is the Coconut Grove Sailing Club in conjunction with the International Finn Association and the USA Finn Class Association.
- 1.3 **All boats will be stored and launched at Coconut Grove Sailing Club.**

2. Rules

- 2.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 2.2 The International Finn Class Event Manual will apply, unless changed by this Notice of Race, or by the Sailing Instructions, with the approval of the IFA.
- 2.3 RRS 90.3(e) will apply.
- 2.4 No national authority prescriptions will apply.
- 2.5 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.
- 2.6 [DP] All participants (competitors, support persons and officials) are expected to follow current government COVID-19 guidelines and legislation. Breaches of these and any event Covid protocols may be misconduct and subject to RRS 69. These will not be subject to protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1.
- 2.7 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Failure to comply may be misconduct.
- 2.8 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority. Such advertising, if any, shall be displayed in accordance with the Sailing Instructions.
- 2.9 RRS 40.1 shall apply at all times while afloat.
- 2.10 Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, will apply.
- 2.11 Support person vessel restrictions may be applied. These will be published in or with the Sailing Instructions.
- 2.12 Class Rule C6.2 [Equipment Limitation] shall apply.

3. Communications

- 3.1 The event official notice board will be online at https://www.yachtscoring.com/administration/edit_news_list.cfm.
- 3.2 [DP] From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4. Eligibility and Entry

- 4.1 Eligible competitors shall be current members of an IFA recognised National Finn Association. They shall complete on-site registration at the venue prior to 24, January 2023, unless the Organizing Authority extends this date.
- 4.2 The entry quota of Part C "Entry System for IFA Official Championships" of the IFA Constitution will not apply.
- 4.3 Entries shall be submitted online prior to 22, January, 2023, unless extended by the Organizing Authority. The entry form is available at [2023.finngoldcup.org](https://www.finngoldcup.org) and https://yachtscoring.com/event_registration_email.cfm?eid=15268.



4.4 A valid measurement certificate for the boat entered shall be uploaded to <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=15268> or sent by email at CGSCrace@gmail.com prior to 22 January 2023.

5. Entry Fee

- 5.1 The Entry Fee is USD \$375 and shall be paid in full by 24, December 2022.
- 5.2 Cancellation policy: For registration annulation before the 24 December the 90% of the entry fee paid will be refunded. For notifications on or after the 24 December and before the 19 January 2023 50% of the entry fee paid will be refunded. After the 19 January no entry fee will be refunded.
- 5.3 An entry is not complete until any entry fees have been paid, the entry has been accepted by the Organizing Authority and the International Finn Association, registration and any required equipment inspection before the first race, has been completed.
- 5.4 A valid measurement certificate for the boat entered shall be presented or its existence verified at on-site registration in accordance with RRS 78.2.
- 5.5 Support boats will be required to register and pay a fee of USD \$80, be insured and comply with local regulations to be permitted to use launching and berthing at the venue. Registration may be completed on line through the event website. Payment is required by 23 January 2023.

6. Competition Format

- 6.1 Ten races are scheduled.
- 6.2 This format may be changed with the approval of the IFA and will be specified in the Sailing Instructions.
- 6.3 The Race Committee in conjunction with the IFA may decide to divide the fleet series into groups. The method of division will ensure groups of approximately equal size and ability and will be detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

7. Event Schedule

- 7.1 The event schedule may be changed with the approval of the IFA and will be specified in the Sailing Instructions, however, the days allocated for racing will not be changed.

Date	Event	Time	Location
24 January 2023	Equipment Inspection/Registration	1000 -1700	FBD Coconut Grove Sailing Club
25 January 2023	Equipment Inspection /Registration	1000 -1700	FBD Coconut Grove Sailing Club
26 January 2023	Equipment Inspection /Registration Practice Race Competitor's Meeting	1000-1400 1400 1700	Coconut Grove Sailing Club Biscayne Bay - Race Area Coconut Grove Sailing Club
26 January 2023	Opening Ceremony	1830	Coconut Grove Sailing Club
27 January 2023	Racing (2 races scheduled) First Warning Signal	1200	Biscayne Bay - Race Area
28 January 2023	Racing (2 races scheduled) First Warning Signal	1200	Biscayne Bay - Race Area
29 January 2023	Racing (2 races scheduled) First Warning Signal	1200	Biscayne Bay - Race Area
30 January 2023	Racing (2 races scheduled) First Warning Signal	1200	Biscayne Bay - Race Area
31 January 2023	Racing (2 races scheduled)	1200	



	First Warning Signal Closing Ceremony & Prize Giving	After racing	Biscayne Bay - Race Area Coconut Grove Sailing Club
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8. Schedule of Races and Attendance at Ceremonies

- 8.1 Two races are scheduled for each day of racing.
- 8.2 An additional race may be scheduled on any day to enable the full number of scheduled races to be sailed. A maximum of three races per day will be sailed. This schedule may be changed to fit with any changes to NOR 5 and 6 permitted by the IFA.
- 8.3 Succeeding races will be started as soon as practicable after the finish of the previous races.
- 8.4 No warning signal will be made after 1500 hours on Tuesday 31 January.
- 8.5 All participants are requested by the International Finn Class and the Organizing Authority to attend the Opening and Closing Ceremonies.

9. Advertising

- 9.1. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority. Such advertising, if any, shall be displayed in accordance with the Sailing Instructions.

10. Sailing Instructions

- 10.1 The Sailing Instructions (SI) will be available on the event website at the time for registration. A hard copy will be available on request. A preliminary version may be posted on the event website prior to this date.
- 10.2 In line with the IFA's environmental policy, IFA and the OA would appreciate it if the documents, including the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions, could be read from electronic devices.
- 10.3 Copies of Sailing Instructions will be available on the official notice board before 23, January 2023.

11. Equipment Inspection

- 11.1 All boats shall undergo inspection of hulls, spars and sails as well as equipment checks according to the Finn Class Rules (including Part F of "Finn Class Event Manual") unless otherwise decided by the IFA Chief Measurer. All inspected equipment will be identified for the Championship. Only identified equipment may be used during the Championship.
- 11.2 Equipment checks may be made throughout the Regatta at the discretion of the Technical Committee, Race Committee or the International Jury.

12. Racing Area

- 12.1 **Attachment A** shows the Club Area.
- 12.2. The intended race-course area will be on Biscayne Bay in an area approximately 1 to 3 miles SSE of Brennan Channel Marker "1" (FIG. 5 sec. 8ft). See Attachment B.

13. Courses

- 13.1 Courses will be as per the current IFA Event Manual, **2023 Edition**, unless varied by the Sailing Instructions.

14. Scoring

- 14.1 Four races shall be completed to constitute a valid Championship.

15. International Jury



- 15.1 An International Jury will be appointed in accordance with RRS Appendix N.
- 15.2 Decisions of the Jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.
- 16. Prizes**
- 16.1 The Finn Gold Cup will be awarded to the overall winner.
- 16.2 The Organizing Authority will provide prizes for the top 10 boats overall and top Under 23.
- 17. Insurance**
- 17.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$5000,000 or the equivalent thereof in any other currency for any one incident. By entering the event each competitor declares that they hold such insurance.
- 17.2 By entering the event each competitor declares that they hold such insurance and a proof of it shall be uploaded to https://yachtscoring.com/event_registration_email.cfm?eid=15268 or sent by email at CGSCrace@gmail.com prior to 22 January 2023.
- 18. Support person vessels and personnel**
- 18.1 All support vessels (boats with support persons on board as defined by the RRS) shall be registered (see 5.5) with the Organizing Authority and will be required to comply with local legislation and event support vessel regulations or sailing instructions. The Organizing Authority may refuse registrations and accept late registrations at their sole discretion.
- 18.2 All support vessels shall clearly display the 3 letter national code of their World Sailing Member National Authority in contrasting color to the background at all times while afloat. The minimum height for the letters shall be 200 mm and visible from both sides of the boat.
- 18.3 Registered support vessels shall act as rescue boats in case of need. If the Race Committee displays flag V (see RRS 37) all support vessels shall monitor VHF channel 73 and comply with requests from the Race Committee and any published Safety Procedures.
- 18.4 Support vessels may be required to clearly display a flag or stickers provided by the OA with unique identification for that boat.
- 19. Media Consent: Rights to use Names & Likenesses**
- 19.1 Competitors and / or their Parents or Guardians automatically grant the Organizing Authority, the International Finn Association and any party to which they may delegate this right, without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show (including via the internet), any motion pictures, still pictures, live, taped or filmed television, or any other form of media, of or relating to the event.
- 19.2. Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment and positioning equipment as specified by the Organizing Authority.
- 19.3. The top three competitors as well as the individual race winners may be required to attend a media press conference each day.
- 19.4. Competitors may be required for interviews at the regatta.



20. Risk Statement

- 20.1 Rule 3 of the RRS states: “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.” Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor and support person agrees and acknowledges that:
- (a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
 - (b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
 - (c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
 - (d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
 - (e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the race organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
 - (f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
 - (g) The fact that the Race Committee conducts inspections, or not, of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this Notice of Race.

Information

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ATTACHMENT A





ATTACHMENT B

