

2024 Flying Dutchman World Championship

Notice of Race

March 22 - April 1, 2024

St. Petersburg, Florida, USA



BASIC INFORMATION

The Organizing Authority is the St. Petersburg Yacht Club in conjunction with the International Flying Dutchman Class Organization (IFDCO) and the International Flying Dutchman Class Association of the United States (IFDCAUS).

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1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 (RRS).
- 1.2. RRS Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42 will apply.
- 1.3. (DP) The Equipment Rules of Sailing (ERS)
- 1.4. (DP) IFDCO Class Rules.
- 1.5. IFDCO Championship Rules.
- 1.6. Appendix T, Arbitration will apply.
- 1.7. In all rules governing this regatta:
 - 1.7.1. (SP) denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the race committee without a hearing, or a discretionary penalty (DP) less than a disqualification may be applied by the International Jury with a hearing.
 - 1.7.2. (NP) in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
 - 1.7.3. Decisions of the International Jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.
- 1.8. If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.

2. (NP) (DP) ADVERTISING

- 2.1. Boats may be required to display bow numbers and advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority. If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9 applies.
- 2.2. Advertising is permitted according to the World Sailing Regulation 20, as restricted by the IFDCO Class Rule 1.4.

3. NOTICES

- 3.1. The Official Notice Board will be ON-LINE at the following link: <https://yachtscoring.com>

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. The World Championship is open to all boats of the International Flying Dutchman Class with a valid Measurement Certificate and Measurement Form, all helms and crews who are fully paid members of the IFDCO for 2024.
- 4.2. Competitors shall enter by completing the on-line entry form on the event website page on <https://yachtscoring.com> and paying their required fees. Registration will open on November 15, 2023.
- 4.3. World Sailing Eligibility shall apply.
- 4.4. Competitors under the age of 18 shall present a signed and completed parent (or guardian) consent and declaration form at registration.
- 4.5. Each participating crew shall present the following documents at registration:
 - 4.5.1. entry fee payment confirmation
 - 4.5.2. a valid insurance certificate showing proof of third-party liability coverage of at least \$ 300.000 (or equivalent) per incident.

5. ENTRY FEE

- 5.1. The entry fee will be **\$600** in case of completing entry and payment before March 1, 2024, as per NOR 3.1. **Late entry fee will be \$700.**

6. FORMAT

- 6.1. The regatta will consist of a single series of races.

7. SCHEDULE

Friday, March 22	Container unloading	
Saturday, March 23	Measurement	09:00-18:00
Sunday, March 24	Measurement	09:00-18:00
Monday, March 25	Free day/practice race	TBA
Tuesday, March 26	Skipper's meeting Races, first warning Opening ceremony	09:00 10:30 18:00
Wednesday, March 27	Races, first warning	10:30
Thursday, March 28	Races, first warning	10:30
Friday, March 29	Reserve day	TBA
Saturday, March 30	Races, first warning Dinner at SPYC	10:30 18:00
Sunday, March 31	Races, first warning Prize Giving/Closing Ceremony	10:30 TBA, After racing
Monday, April 1	Container loading	

- 7.1. Registration for competitors is scheduled between 9:00 and 18:00 on Saturday, March 23 and Sunday, March 24 at the St Petersburg Yacht Club.

- 7.2. The first briefing for crews, coaches and team leaders is scheduled for 9.00 on Tuesday, March 26 at the St Petersburg Sailing Center.
- 7.3. On the last day of racing no warning signal will be given after 15.00.
- 7.4. Twelve (12) races are scheduled in the event.
- 7.5. No more than three races will be sailed per day.

8. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 8.1. All boats will be inspected in compliance with the class rules (see schedule above).
- 8.2. Any boat or equipment may be re-inspected at any time.

9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 9.1. Sailing Instructions and other documents governing the regatta will be available at registration and regatta website.

10. VENUE

- 10.1. The regatta will be at St Petersburg Sailing Center.
- 10.2. The race area will be due east of downtown St Petersburg on the waters of Tampa Bay.

11. THE COURSES

- 11.1. The course will be triangular except that any other courses adopted by International Flying Dutchman Class may also be used.

12. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 12.1. The Sailing Instructions may include a specification of discretionary penalties that may be applied by the protest committee for breaches of specified rules. The Sailing Instructions may include a specification of standard penalties that may be applied by the race committee without a hearing for breaches of specific rules; this will change RRS 63.1 and Appendix A.5. These will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions.
- 12.2. Rule 44.2 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

13. SCORING

- 13.1. The Low Points Scoring System of Appendix A will apply.
- 13.2. Four (4) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 13.3. A boat's score shall be calculated in accordance with RRS A2 except:
 - 13.3.1. When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores.
 - 13.3.2. When five to eight races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
 - 13.3.3. When nine or more races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

14.(NP) (DP) COACH BOATS AND SUPPORT PERSONNEL

- 14.1. All coach and support boats shall be registered with the Organizing Authority and will be required to comply with local legislation. The Organizing Authority may refuse registrations and accept late registrations at their sole discretion.
- 14.2. All support and coach boats shall only use the mooring or berthing places assigned by the Organizing Authority
- 14.3. All support boats with team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the racing sequence until all boats have finished, or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 14.4. All coaches and other support personnel shall prove third-party liability coverage of at least \$300,000 (or equivalent) per incident.
- 14.5. Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the boat park.

15.RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 15.1. Except in an emergency or using equipment provided by the Organizing Authority, a boat shall not make or receive radio transmissions including text messages or cellular phone calls while racing.

16.PRIZES

- 16.1. The following prizes will be awarded by the Organizer:
 - 16.1.1. Championship prizes to be awarded to the top 10 crews overall.
- 16.2. The following prizes will be awarded by the IFDCO:
 - 16.2.1. Dunhill Challenge Trophy (World Championship Overall Winner).
 - 16.2.2. FD Silver Sombrero Challenge Trophy (World Championship for the best result without discard).
 - 16.2.3. Tullio Pizzomo Memorial Trophy (Best helmsman under 26 years).
 - 16.2.4. 100+ Trophy (Best team combined age 100+).
 - 16.2.5. Best FD Lady (Ladies).
 - 16.2.6. 25+ Trophy (Highest placed boat 25 years of age or older).
 - 16.2.7. Silver Bowl (Best sailor under 19 years).

17.MEDIA RIGHTS

- 17.1. By participating in the regatta competitors automatically grant to the Organizing Authority and their sponsors the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of the athlete during the period of the competition without compensation.
- 17.2. Competitors may be required for interviews at the regatta.

18.DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 18.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule RSS 3, Decision to Race. Organizing Authority will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

19. SAFETY

- 19.1. By signing the entry form, competitors shall comply with the following:
 - 19.1.1. Put safety of yourself and competitors above race results.
 - 19.1.2. Keep the boat park and sailing area clean of any debris.
 - 19.1.3. Do not leave the boat park without the necessary safety precautions.
- 19.2. A boat that retires from a race shall inform the race committee as soon as possible and before leaving the race area and communicate the same to the Organizing office.

20. MORE INFORMATION (MAPS, ACCOMMODATION, PARKING, CAMPER VANS, etc.)

- 20.1. Regatta website: <https://yachtscoring.com>
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