



DAVIS ISLAND
Yacht Club
1315 SEVERN - TAMPA, FLORIDA 33606



2024 Sunfish US Team Race Championship

March 20, 2024

Notice of Race

Organizing Authority: Davis Island Yacht Club, Tampa, FL 33606
Endorsed by US Sunfish™ Class Association (USSCA)

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the rules of the International Sunfish Class Association (ISCA) and Appendix D.
- 1.2 Races will be umpired.
- 1.3 The Organizing Authority will NOT provide boats for this event.
- 1.4 US Sailing Prescriptions to 63.1 and 63.2 shall not apply.
- 1.5 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.
- 1.6 In accordance with RRS G3, a boat chartered or loaned for this regatta may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of her class rules.
- 1.7 In any rule governing the championship the notation [DP] means that the penalty for breach of the rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification. [NP] means that an infraction to the rule will not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 1.8 The Organizing Authority may change the format, terminate any stage of the event when, in its opinion, it is impractical to attempt to hold the remainder of matches under the existing conditions or in the remaining time scheduled. Early stages may be terminated in favor of later stages. Such a decision by the Organizing Authority shall not be subject to a request for redress. This changes RRS 62 and D4.2(a). In RRS 66 the third sentence is changed to "A party to a hearing may not ask for a re-opening."
- 1.9 RRS D1.2(c) and D2.2(a) are changed by replacing the phrase "a red flag" with "a raised open hand."
- 1.10 RRS D2.2(c) is replaced with "An umpire shall decide whether to penalize any boat that broke a rule, is not exonerated, and did not take an appropriate penalty." RRS D2.2(d) is deleted.
- 1.11 [DP] Each competitor is required to wear a lifejacket that is 100% dependent on foam for flotation and appropriate size for the sailor. Except while actively adding or removing clothing, competitors shall wear an appropriately sized U.S. Coast Guard Approved PFD. For International competitors only, an appropriately sized PFD/Buoyancy aid as approved for use in the competitor's country of origin. This changes the preamble to part 4 and RRS 40.

2 ADVERTISING

The Organizing Authority may require boats to display advertising in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 Each competitor's country shall be a 2024 member of ISCA.
- 3.2 Each competitor shall be a 2024 member of his/her respective country's Sunfish™ Class Association.
- 3.3 An entry is not complete until payment and online approval of the waiver have been made and the competitor has checked in at the registration desk.

4 FEES

- 4.1 Entry Fee per team: **\$45 plus 7.5% sales tax, total \$48.38.**
- 4.2 There will be no late fee.
- 4.3 Registration is open on Yacht Scoring. Early registration is encouraged to determine intent to race. Please note that initially your status will be "waitlist" until payment is made.
To register for the Team Race – [click here](#)
- 4.4 NOTE: A minimum of six teams of three boats each must be registered by March 18, 2024 or the event will be cancelled.
- 4.5 Payment will open on January 1, 2024 and must be received by 2400 on March 18, 2024.
- 4.6 Skipper's registration fee includes: breakfast power bars.
- 4.7 All fees are in US Dollars and shall be free of any transfer and/or banking costs or commissions. Any charge shall be reimbursed by competitors to complete their entries.

5 SCHEDULE

Wednesday, March 20, 2024

0900 – 0930	Check-in
0930	Competitors Meeting
1015	First scheduled Warning, multiple races to follow
After racing	Umpire debrief and awards

6 MEASUREMENT

Boats and equipment must be compliant with current International Sunfish Class Association Class Rules as approved by World Sailing. Boats may be selected for measurement at any time during the regatta by the ISCA Chief Measurer or an appointed representative.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available online at Yacht Scoring by March 18, 2024.

8 VENUE

The regatta will be sailed from Davis Island Yacht Club, 1315 Severn Ave., Tampa, FL 33606. Racing will be in the Upper Hillsborough Bay south of the clubhouse.

9 FORMAT

- 9.1 The format will be three boats against three boats team races with one or more round robins, to be determined by the number of teams entered.
- 9.2 If supplied by the Organizing Authority, teams will be required to wear identification hats and/or tee shirts outside of their PFDs.

10 THE COURSES

The course will be a digital "N".

11 SCORING

Scoring will be in accordance with RRS Appendix D.

12 SUPPORT BOATS

- 12.1 The organizing authority will not provide support boats.
- 12.2 Support boats must register with the Organizing Authority prior to the first competitor's meeting on the first day of racing and fly a flag with a number provided by the Organizing Authority (a \$20 cash deposit will be required) at all times while on the water. Support boats shall carry a working VHF radio and monitor VHF channel 72 during the race.
- 12.3 [DP] [NP] All support vessels shall be equipped with a functioning engine safety cut-out switch (kill switch) which shall remain attached to the support person (operator) at all times while the engine is on.
- 12.4 [DP] [NP] Support boats shall remain anchored 25 meters below the starting line during racing.
- 12.5 No communication from the support boats (including verbal and hand signals) will be permitted after the preparatory signal until after the competitor completes the race.
- 12.6 [DP] [NP] If a support boat does not comply with applicable rules, restrictions and/or instructions, a discretionary penalty may be applied to some or all associated competitors and may include restrictions on the movement of their support boat.
- 12.7 [DP] [NP] Support boats may be required to act as safety boats upon instruction from a race official.

13 BERTHING

Boats will be kept at the Davis Island Yacht Club and in areas assigned by the organizing authority.

14 PRIZES

Prizes will be given to the first and second place teams.

15 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 3, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

16 MEDIA RIGHTS

By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the OA and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use, and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recording, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.

17 INSURANCE

The organizing authority requires that each competitor shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.

18 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 18.1 Davis Island Yacht Club diyc.org
- 18.2 Event Organizer: Gail Heausler heauslerg@gmail.com

Additional Information

The following information is not a part of the Notice of Race but may be helpful in planning your visit to Tampa.

- Charter boats-Contact Dinghy Shop at (631) 264-0005 or www.dinghyshop.com.
Contact Tackle Shack at (727) 546-5080 or <https://www.tackleshack.com>.
- Overnight camping is available at the yacht club in designated areas. Limited RV parking is available in designated areas but there are no hook ups for electric or water. Check in with regatta coordinator or club manager upon arrival for more details.
- There is limited housing by host families. Contact Jennifer Holmberg at jenholmberg21@gmail.com.
Local Hotels: Hotel rooms are available in many price ranges.
- Other housing: There are many listings of rooms, apartments and homes at <https://www.airbnb.com>
<https://www.vrbo.com>

Distance from closest Airports:

- Tampa International: 12 Miles
- Clearwater/St. Pete Airport: 21 Miles
- Uber and Lyft services are available throughout the area.