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INVITATIONAL WINTER SERIES

BACARDI INVITATIONAL WINTER SERIES REGATTA

Event #2

MIAMI, FLORIDA, U.S.A

January 18-20, 2019

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The organizing authority is Twelve USA, INC. The host club is Biscayne Bay Yacht Club (BBYC), 2540 South Bayshore Drive, which will provide the regatta committee. The venues are BBYC and Shake A Leg Miami. The invited classes are J70 and Melges 24.

1. RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).

1.2 US Sailing prescriptions which shall be applicable are: rules 40, 60.3(b), 61.4, 67, 70.5(a), 76, and Appendices R and V. These will be posted on the official notice board. No other prescriptions are applicable.

1.3 Except for the rules of RRS PARTS 2 and 3, the jury may impose alternate penalties less than DSQ for breaking a rule in accordance with 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 monitoring the race committee and emergencies. The BBYC VHF channel is **72** which can be changed by posting a notice on the signal vessel.

1.6 The rules of the classes will be in effect except where changed in the notice of race and these sailing instructions.

1.7 If there is a conflict between the notice of race, the sailing instructions, and any other rules of the regatta, the sailing instructions 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 the first floor lobby at BBYC.

3. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions 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 flag pole at BBYC. When flag **AP** is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal **AP**.

5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, January 18

1600-1900 Check-in (Final Registration), Second floor, BBYC
Mandatory submission of complete crew list.

1600-1900 Bacardi Happy Hour, Second Floor, BBYC

Saturday, January 19

0800-0900 Late check-in, First Floor, BBYC

0930 J70 and Melges 24 Competitor's Meeting, BBYC South Lawn

1055 First Warning Signal

1600-1900 Bacardi Happy Hour at Shake a Leg Miami

1700 Competitor's Dinner at Shake a Leg Miami

Sunday, January 20

1025 First Warning Signal

1300 No Warning Signal Made After 1300

1600 -1800 Bacardi Happy Hour, BBYC

1700 Prize Giving, BBYC

6. CLASS FLAGS

6.1 Class flags will be the J70 or Melges 24 class insignia on a white background.

7. RACING AREA

7.1 The racing area will be on Biscayne Bay approximately 1- 4 nm southeast of Dinner Key Channel marker number "1". **ILLUSTRATION - RACING AREA** will be posted on the official notice board.

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 Courses will be windward/leeward with optional offsets and gates, **ADDENDUM - COURSES**. With the exception of a leeward gate, marks of the course are to be left to port.

9. MARKS

9.1 Windward mark **1** will be a white cylinder. Offset mark **O** will be an orange cylinder positioned at approximately 90 degrees to port of mark 1. Both marks shall be left to port.

9.2 Leeward marks will be a gate consisting of white cylinders **2s** and **2p**. Boats shall sail between the gate marks from the previous mark and may round either mark.

9.3 If only a single mark is present at the location for windward mark **1** or leeward mark **2**, boats shall leave the mark to port.

9.4 In the absence of a signal vessel at the port end for a starting or finishing line, the mark will be a yellow cylinder.

10. THE START

10.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal. There will be a minimum interval of 5 minutes after a starting signal before the warning signal for the next class.

10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal vessel at the starboard-end and a staff displaying an orange flag on a port-end race committee vessel, or the course side of a port-end yellow mark.

10.3 When applicable, flag **X** will be displayed for up to 5 minutes. This changes RRS 29.1. A boat that does not start within 5 minutes after her warning signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This change RRS A4 an A5.

10.4 If a boat is identified on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal the race committee will attempt to broadcast her bow number, or if identified by sail number by broadcasting the word "sail" followed by her 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 NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

11.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee may deploy a new single white mark, or move the finish line. The original marks will be removed as soon as practicable.

12. THE FINISH

12.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on a race committee vessel at the starboard-end and a staff displaying a blue flag on a race committee vessel at port end, or the course side of a port-end yellow mark.

13. TIME LIMITS

13.1 A race shall be abandoned in which no boat passes the windward mark(s) within 30 minutes, or no boat finishes after sailing the course within 90 minutes after the start of her class. 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, A4.1 and A4.2.

14. PENALTY SYSTEM

14.1 As addressed in sailing instructions 1.2 and 1.3.

14.2 Appendix V2 is changed. In the scoring penalty “30%” is deleted and replaced by, “The penalty shall be a 5 points Scoring Penalty”.

15. SUPPORT PERSON AND VESSELS

15.1 Support persons will register and provide their cell phone number and vessels at the check-in desk in order to be eligible for entry to the regatta sites and to have access to event social functions.

15.2 Support person’s vessels shall remain well outside of the areas where boats are racing as well as race committee and jury vessels from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment, or to assist in an emergency.

15.3 Supporting vessels will monitor the race committee VHF frequency. The race committee or jury may warn by VHF a *Support Person/Vessel* who in their opinion is about to infringe a rule 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 boat’s intending to protest, request redress or retiring from the race will notify the race committee signal vessel of their intent by VHF or verbally, or if impracticable by notifying the race committee on the PRO’s cell phone.

16.2 Notices of intent to protest or requests for redress and actions of the race committee and jury 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 their fleet, or AP over A is displayed on the water or 60 minutes after AP over A is displayed ashore.

16.3 Protest forms will be available at the jury desk in the BBYC lobby. Protests will be scheduled to be heard approximately in the order of submission of completed protest forms. The schedule of hearings will be posted on the board adjacent to the jury desk no later than 10 minutes after the protest time limit.

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 Six races are scheduled. When five or more races have been completed, a boat’s score will be the total of her race scores less her worst score. If less than five races have been completed, a boat’s score will be the total of her race scores.

17.2 There will be J70 and Melges 24 Corinthian Divisions. To be eligible, at check-in the person in charge (RRS 46) and crew must all sign an affidavit that they are certified as World Sailing Category 1. The Corinthian Divisions shall be scored as sub-divisions of the fleet using the competitor's actual scores.

18. BACARDI INVITATIONAL WINTER SERIES

18.1 See BACARDI INVITATIONAL WINTER SERIES REGATTA notice of race, **APPENDIX FOR SERIES SCORE**. To qualify for the series the helm person shall be in accordance with class rules for major championships. Crew members may be changed between regattas.

19. SAFETY REGULATIONS

19.1 Before her first start of the day, boats will check-in by hailing the race committee on the signal vessel's stern until acknowledged by the race committee. There will be no check-in during a starting sequence.

19.2 Boats are required to carry life-saving devices in accordance with government regulations while in the racing area, except foreign competitors are exempt regarding personal flotation devices (PFD) provided the vessel carries equally acceptable PFDs of the sponsoring foreign country for each foreign competitor on board. In addition to the PFDs, one readily accessible throwable PFD is required.

20. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

20.1 Substitution of crew or equipment during a regatta is not permitted without written approval of the regatta chairman or jury.

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 be requested to 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 regatta chairman or the jury.

24. BOW NUMBERS

24.1 J70 class boats will be provided with bow numbers following completion of check-in, including a document showing the location where the numbers are to be affixed.

24.2 Melges 24 class assigned bow numbers will be submitted at check-in.

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 overall and Corinthian Division prizes for the J70 and Melges 24 classes. A boat is eligible to receive prizes for both fleet and Corinthian Divisions.

27. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

27.1 In addition to RRS 4 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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