



# ISAF Sailing World Cup Miami 2015

## Presented by US Sailing

### A 2013-2016 ISAF Sailing World Cup Regatta

#### NOTICE OF RACE

The ISAF Sailing World Cup Miami will be held in Miami, Florida from 25 to 31 January 2015.

The Organizing Authority is US Sailing.

#### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 RRS Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, will apply.
- 1.3 For medal races, ISAF Addendum Q, *Umpired Fleet Racing*, available on the ISAF website ([www.sailing.org](http://www.sailing.org)), will apply and changes a number of racing rules. The version that is current when the regatta begins will appear in full in the sailing instructions.
- 1.4 For Paralympic events,
  - 1.4.1 For the 2.4mR event, the 2.4 Norlin OD class rules will apply. However, Schedule K of the 2010 International 2.4 class rules will apply to boats that previously held measurement certification under Schedule K but do not yet hold certification under 2.4 Norlin OD class rules.
  - 1.4.2 SKUD 18 Class Rules Section J4 will apply.
  - 1.4.3 This will be a Sonar Class Association Appendix B - Alternative Rules event.
- 1.5 The ISAF Equipment Inspection Regulations (EIR) will apply.
- 1.6 The US Sailing Prescriptions that will apply are stated in full in Addendum B of this notice of race.
- 1.7 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

#### 2. ADVERTISING AND BOW NUMBERS

- 2.1 Boats may be required to display bow numbers and advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.
- 2.2 Competitors aboard the boats ranked first, second and third in the series at the beginning of that day, shall wear yellow, blue and red bibs respectively while racing. The bibs will be provided by the organizing authority.
- 2.3 Boats in Olympic events shall display national flags on mainsails as specified in their class rules. If the class rules do not include a specification for display of national flags, they shall be displayed in accordance with ISAF specifications available at <http://mocr.ussailing.org>.

#### 3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 Competitors and coaches shall enter by completing the on-line entry form on the event website <http://mocr.ussailing.org> and paying the required fees. On-line entry opens on 10 November 2014. Entries must be received no later than 5 January 2015 to qualify for the early entry fee and will not be accepted after 25 January 2015. Entry in the event is not final until registration is completed.
- 3.2 ISAF Eligibility shall apply. Each athlete shall be registered as an ISAF Sailor on the ISAF website: [www.sailing.org/isafsailor](http://www.sailing.org/isafsailor)
- 3.3 Unless otherwise approved by the IOC or the ISAF Executive, each competitor shall be a national of the country of the Member National Authority (MNA) which enters the boat or endorses the person in charge (as defined by RRS 46). This requirement does not apply to a crew member who receives approval to compete in

the regatta from the MNA of the person in charge. Each competitor shall present proof of their nationality or the approved waiver at registration.

- 3.4 Competitors shall produce evidence of membership of the appropriate class association at the time of registration as may be required by the organizing authority.
- 3.5 Olympic gender requirements will apply for each Olympic event.
- 3.6 Competitors under 18 years of age shall present a signed and completed parent (or guardian) consent and declaration form at registration. The forms are available for download on the event website <http://mocr.ussailing.org>.
- 3.7 For the Paralympic Two Person and Three Person Keelboat events, Paralympic Eligibility criteria apply. Other teams are eligible to compete in the Paralympic One Person Keelboat event (2.4 mR).
- 3.8 The regatta is open to boats competing in events chosen for the 2016 Olympic Sailing Competition and the 2016 Paralympic Sailing Competition.

<b>Event</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Event Quota</b>	<b>Minimum Entries</b>
Men's One Person Dinghy	Laser	100	20
Women's One Person Dinghy	Laser Radial	80	20
Men's One Person Dinghy Heavy	Finn	50	10
Men's Two Person Dinghy	470-M	60	10
Women's Two Person Dinghy	470-W	40	7
Men's Skiff	49er	40	10
Women's Skiff	49er FX	40	10
Men's Windsurfer	RS:X	40	7
Women's Windsurfer	RS:X	40	7
Mixed Multihull	Nacra 17	40	7
Paralympic One Person Keelboat	2.4mR	40	10
Paralympic Two Person Keelboat	SKUD18	20	5
Paralympic Three Person Keelboat	Sonar	20	5

- 3.9 The organizing authority may cancel an event if the minimum number of entries has not been received by midnight (local time), 6 January 2015. Competitors will be notified of cancelled events by email and posting on the event website. The entry fees for cancelled events will be refunded.
- 3.10 Where the quotas (fleet sizes) are exceeded by the number of applications on midnight (local time), Friday 5 December 2014, the following procedure will apply.
- 3.10.1 For each event, the MNAs of the applications received will be sorted in Priority Order, based on the order of each MNA's highest place in the ISAF World Sailing Rankings as of 5 December 2014.
- 3.10.2 Ties in the Priority Order will be resolved in favor of the MNA whose earliest entry application was received first. MNA's not appearing in the applicable ISAF World Sailing Rankings shall be sorted by application date and added at the end of the MNA Priority Order.
- 3.10.3 The Applications will be accepted, as follows, until the quota is filled:
- One place awarded to the host MNA.
  - One place, awarded in MNA Priority Order, for each MNA with a remaining entry application.
  - Repeat 3.10.3(b) above until the quota is filled.
- 3.11 The Event Quota will be increased until each MNA with a qualified application has at least one entry in the event. Each MNA with excess application(s) will decide which application(s) fill the available slots.
- 3.12 For any event in which NOR 3.10 does not apply, entries will be accepted in the order received until the Event Quota is reached.

#### 4. IFDS FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION

- 4.1 Disabled sailors shall have valid International Classification under the IFDS Functional Classification System.
- 4.2 Protests regarding classification may be filed with the on-site classifiers not later than "first appearance." However, protests will not be decided at the regatta.

#### 5. FEES

- 5.1 Fees are stated in US Dollars and include any local taxes. Entries received before 4 January 2015 24:00 EST will pay the Early Entry Fee.

Class	Early Entry Fee	Entry Fee
All One Person Events	US\$ 325.00	US\$ 425.00
All Two Person Events	US\$ 500.00	US\$ 625.00
All Three Person Events	US\$ 575.00	US\$ 725.00
Support Boats	US\$ 150.00	US\$ 150.00

- 5.2 If an entry is cancelled by the competitor, the entry fee will be refunded as follows:

Cancellation Date	Entry Fee Refund
5 December 2014	80%
5 January 2015	50%
19 January 2015	0%

#### 6. FORMAT

For Olympic events, the regatta will consist of an opening series and a medal stage. The opening series may be divided into a qualifying series and a final series. The top ten finishers in the opening series of each event will advance to the medal stage, provided a minimum of 3 races have been completed in the opening series. For Paralympic events, the regatta will consist of a single series. Other formats may be used as authorized by ISAF.

#### 7. SCHEDULE

- 7.1 Registration for competitors, coaches and team leaders is scheduled to begin at 1300 on Sunday 25 January 2015 at the US Sailing Center, Miami.
- 7.2 The first briefing for coaches and team leaders is scheduled for 0800 on Monday 26 January 2015 at the US Sailing Center, Miami.
- 7.3 The Opening Ceremony is scheduled to begin 1800 on Sunday 25 January 2015, at the Coral Reef Yacht Club.
- 7.4 The schedule of races including medal races, if any, and dates of racing are as follows:

Event	Racing Dates	Number of Races
Men's One Person Dinghy	26-31 January	10 + medal
Women's One Person Dinghy	26-31 January	10 + medal
Men's One Person Dinghy Heavy	26-31 January	10 + medal
Men's Two Person Dinghy	26-31 January	10 + medal
Women's Two Person Dinghy	26-31 January	10 + medal
Men's Skiff	26-31 January	15+ medal
Women's Skiff	26-31 January	15+ medal

Men's Windsurfer	26-31 January	15+ medal
Women's Windsurfer	26-31 January	15+ medal
Mixed Two Person Multihull	26-31 January	15+ medal
Paralympic One Person Keelboat	26-30 January	10
Paralympic Two Person Keelboat	26-30 January	10
Paralympic Three Person Keelboat	26-30 January	10

7.5 On the last day of racing, no warning signal will be made after 1700.

## 8. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 8.1 Competitors shall provide copies of any measurement certificates required by class rules at the time of registration. RRS 78.2 is changed by replacing 'event' with 'first series' in both sentences.
- 8.2 This event is an international event for the purposes of RRS G1.1.
- 8.3 Boats shall be available for inspection from 0900 on Sunday 25 January 2015 or as agreed in writing with the organizing authority. Details of pre-first race equipment inspection, location and schedules will be posted on the official notice board.
- 8.4 Boats may be subject to inspection at any time during the event. The procedures for inspections will be specified in the equipment inspection regulations (EIR).
- 8.5 The equipment limitations as specified in the class rules shall apply.

## 9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be available beginning 25 January 2015 at registration and on the event website. Other documents governing the event will be published with the sailing instructions.

## 10. VENUE

10.1 The regatta will be at the US Sailing Center, 2476 South Bayshore Drive, Miami, FL, 33133.

Events will be hosted at the following venues:

Paralympic Events	Shake A Leg Miami
Multihull, mixed	Miami Rowing Club, Rickenbacker Causeway
One Person Dinghy Men and Women	TBD; US Sailing Center or Myers Park
Two Person Dinghy Men and Women	US SAILING Center Miami
Heavyweight Dinghy	TBD; US Sailing Center or Myers Park
Skiff, Men & Women	Miami Rowing Club, Rickenbacker Causeway
Boards, Men & Women	Coconut Grove Sailing Club

10.2 The racing area will be on the waters of Biscayne Bay, Miami, FL, USA.

## 11. THE COURSES

The courses will be Windward/Leeward or Trapezoid except that any other courses adopted by ISAF may also be used.

## 12. PENALTY SYSTEM

For the Men's Skiff, Women's Skiff, Mixed Two Person Multihull and Paralympic Two Person Keelboat events, RRS 44.1 and RRS P2.1 are changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

## 13. INTERNATIONAL JURY

An International Jury will be appointed in accordance with RRS 91(b).

## **14. SORING**

- 14.1 The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A will apply except that RRS A4.1 is changed so that the points scored in the medal race are doubled. This changes RRS A4.1.
- 14.2 A boat's score shall be calculated in accordance with RRS A2, except that one score will be excluded after 3 races in the Opening Series for Olympic Classes or 3 races for the Paralympic Classes have been completed and the score for the medal race shall not be excluded.
- 14.3 At least 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 14.4 Ties in the series score between boats with different medal race point scores shall be broken in favour of the boat that scored better in the medal race. This changes RRS Appendix A8.
- 14.5 Other scoring systems, as approved by ISAF may be used and will be stated in full in the Sailing Instructions.

## **15. SUPPORT BOATS AND PERSONNEL**

- 15.1 All support boats shall be registered with the organizing authority and will be required to comply with local legislation and event support boat regulations. The organizing authority may refuse registrations and accept later registrations at their sole discretion.
- 15.2 All support boats shall clearly display the 3 letter national code of their ISAF Member National Authority at all times while afloat. The minimum height for the letters shall be 200 mm and visible from both sides of the boat.
- 15.3 Support boats with team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the starting sequence until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

## **16. BERTHING**

Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the boat park or harbour.

## **17. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

Boats assigned places in the harbour shall not be hauled out during the regatta, except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

## **18. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS**

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around keelboats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

## **19. RADIO COMMUNICATION**

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make nor receive radio transmissions, text messages or cellular phone calls while racing except in an emergency or when using equipment provided by the race committee.

## **20. PRIZES**

- 20.1 Medals will be awarded to the top 3 boats in each event. The organizing authority may alter prizes if less than 10 boats are entered in an event.

## **21. INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall present a valid insurance certificate showing proof of third-party liability coverage of at least US\$ 500,000.00 (or equivalent) per incident.

## **22. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. Neither the organizing authority nor ISAF will accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

## **23. MEDIA RIGHTS, CAMERAS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT**

- 23.1 By participating in an event of the ISAF Sailing World Cup competitors automatically grant to the organizing authority, ISAF 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.

- 23.2 [DP] Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment and positioning equipment as specified by the organizing authority.
- 23.3 The top three competitors as well as the individual race winners may be required to attend a media press conference each day.
- 23.4 Competitors may be required for interviews at the regatta.

## 24. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact [miamiocr@ussailing.org](mailto:miamiocr@ussailing.org)

===== ADDENDA =====

### NoR ADDENDUM A

#### ISAF Sailing World Cup Series

##### A1 Regattas

The 2015 ISAF Sailing World Cup series is comprised of the following regattas:

- ISAF Sailing World Cup Melbourne 7-14 December 2014
- ISAF Sailing World Cup Miami 25-31 January 2015
- ISAF Sailing World Cup Hyeres 20-26 April 2015
- ISAF Sailing World Cup Weymouth & Portland 8-14 June 2015
- ISAF Sailing World Cup Asia TBD
- ISAF Sailing World Cup 2015 Final TBD

ISAF may add additional regattas to the series in the future.

##### A2 Property

The ISAF Sailing World Cup is owned by ISAF.

##### A3 Eligibility, Entry and Quotas

- A3.1 For the purposes of determining the MNA Priority Order used in establishing eligibility and quotas, the order of each MNA's highest appearance in the ISAF World Rankings as of the Entry Quota deadline date.
- A3.2 MNA's not appearing in the ISAF World Rankings shall be sorted by application date and added at the end of the MNA Priority Order.

##### A4 Prizes and World Ranking Points

- A4.1 ISAF may award prizes for SWC competition, in a format and number to be determined.
- A4.2 The date, time and location of the of the SWC prize giving, if any, will be announced by ISAF.
- A4.3 A boat placing first, second or third in the regatta will forfeit the ISAF World Rankings points if they fail to attend the prize giving ceremony without prior written permission from the organizing authority.

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## **NoR ADDENDUM B**

### **US Sailing Prescriptions**

The US Sailing prescriptions that will apply at the regatta are stated below:

#### **B1 RRS 68 DAMAGES**

US SAILING prescribes that:

- (a) A boat that retires from a race or accepts a penalty does not, by that action alone, admit liability for damages.
- (b) A protest committee shall find facts and make decisions only in compliance with the rules. No protest committee or US SAILING appeals authority shall adjudicate any claim for damages. Such a claim is subject to the jurisdiction of the courts.
- (c) A basic purpose of the rules is to prevent contact between boats. By participating in an event governed by the rules a boat agrees that responsibility for damages arising from any breach of the rules shall be based on fault as determined by application of the rules, and that she shall not be governed by the legal doctrine of 'assumption of risk' for monetary damages resulting from contact with other boats.

#### **B2 RRS 76.1 EXCLUSION OF BOATS OR COMPETITORS**

US SAILING prescribes that an organizing authority or race committee shall not reject or cancel the entry of a boat or exclude a competitor eligible under the notice of race and sailing instructions for an arbitrary or capricious reason or for reason of race, color, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, or age.