



## **AMENDED NOTICE OF RACE (Harmonizing Paragraphs 1.5 and 10.4)**

### **2013 SCIRA USA Women's National Championship**

**November 22-24, 2013**

Clinic and practice race – November 22  
Racing - November 23-24

#### **ORGANIZING AUTHORITY:**

**Lauderdale Yacht Club, Fort Lauderdale, Florida**

#### **1. RULES:**

The regatta will be governed by:

- 1.1 The rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing. (RRS)
- 1.2 The SCIRA Rules of Conduct for Conducting National and International Championship Regattas (ROC)
- 1.3 The Deed of Gift.
- 1.4 No national prescriptions will apply, with the exception of 40, 67, 70.5, and 76.1.
- 1.5 RRS 35 will be changed to provide that boats not finishing within 30 minutes after the first boat to finish will be scored TLE and scored as one (1) more place than the last boat to finish, without a hearing.
- 1.6 RRS 62.2 and 66 will be changed to shorten the time for requesting redress and for requesting that a hearing be re-opened on the last day of racing.
- 1.7 RRS 30.3 will not be used.
- 1.8 RRS 32.2 and 33 will be changed to limit course changes
- 1.9 RRS 60.1(a) will be changed to restrict protest from boats for specific items on the NOR and SI.
- 1.10 RSS 64.2 will be changed to compel the Jury/PC to abandon a race as required by ROC 18.

#### **2. ADVERTISING:**

- 2.1 Advertising is permitted in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20 and SCIRA rules
- 2.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority

#### **3. ENTRY AND ELIGIBILITY:**

3.1 The event is open to any female skipper and female crew, who are both current SCIRA class members, from any Country that is in good standing with SCIRA. However, the US Women's Champion shall be the highest placing team in which both the skipper and crew are either Citizens or Residents of the United States for at least one (1) year.

3.2 Boats shall be deemed eligible to sail in the USA Women's National Championship when they have been registered with the class and display a valid SCIRA decal on the hull. This shall supersede the SCIRA Rules for Running Championship Regattas

#### **4. REGISTRATION and FEES: ONLINE REGISTRATION REQUIRED**

4.1 The Official Registration and Entry form are available at the Lauderdale Yacht Club Website, [www.lyc.org/web/guest/regattas](http://www.lyc.org/web/guest/regattas)

**Competitors are not considered registered until all registration information, fees, SCIRA membership, and waivers are signed and submitted. If you require assistance, online registration may be completed at LYC check-in using our computer.**

**Early Registration Deadline is midnight Friday November 8, 2013.**

4.2 Registration FEES for this event are as follows:

Prior to November 8th, 2013 Regular - \$150.00 USD, Junior - \$110.00 USD  
After November 8, 2013 Regular - \$170.00 USD, Junior - \$130 USD

A Junior is defined as a skipper not reaching the age of 22 or older in 2013.

***Any competitor under the age of eighteen (18) years old must have a waiver signed by a parent or guardian. This waiver is available during online registration.***

4.3 Registration fees are refundable until Friday November 8, 2013.

4.4 Coach and support boats shall register at the check-in desk during the scheduled check in times

4.5 Fees include two (2) Dinner Buffet wristbands for Saturday night. Additional wristbands can be purchased during online registration process.

4.6 Fees do NOT include Regatta Shirts, as they will pre-ordered and sent to LYC. They can be ordered during online registration process.

#### **5. SCHEDULE (all times given are Eastern Time)**

5.1 On Site Check-In Friday 11/22 and Saturday 11/23 0730-0900h

Teams must check in on site during the times indicated. Failure to do so may result in ineligibility to sail in the event.

##### **5.2 Racing & Social**

###### **Friday 11/22**

0730-0900 Competitor's Check in desk is open.

LYC Parking lot open to receive boats. Notify the Sailing Director Philip Muller at the Sailing Office, in the Sailing Center upon arrival.

LYC Guest Cards available at Front Desk as cash is not accepted for food and beverages.

0900 -1300 Clinic (Includes Rigging & Tuning your boat), break for lunch and rigging, 1430 Practice Races in Intracoastal Waterway, 1800 meet up at local restaurant for Dinner (TBA)

###### **Saturday 11/23**

0730-0900 Competitor's Check in desk is open

0930 Competitor's Meeting

1100 First Warning

1800 Dinner at LYC

**Sunday 11/24**

1100 First Warning. No race may be started after 1430

Awards at the conclusion of racing

**It is the intention to run as many races as possible during this regatta. Three (3) races completed will constitute a regatta.**

**6. MEASUREMENT**

6.1 All boats shall produce a valid measurement certificate, or have one on file with SCIRA, and are subject to measurement at any time at the reasonable discretion of the Class or Race Committee.

6.2 All boats are required to have a current Class decal properly displayed.

6.3 It is the responsibility of every competitor to make sure her boat, sail, and sailing and safety equipment meet the current Snipe Class Technical regulations.

**7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:**

7.1 The regatta Sailing Instructions will be available at onsite check-in and online at the Lauderdale Yacht Club website three (3) days prior to the event.

**8. VENUE:**

8.1 Lauderdale Yacht Club, 1725 SE 12th St., Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316 (954) 524-5500. The event dates are Friday, November 22, 2013 through Sunday, November 24, 2013. Racing will take place on the Atlantic Ocean or Intracoastal Waterway or nearby waters.

**9. COURSES:**

9.1 The courses to be sailed are the Class approved courses for the US Women's National Championship regattas as published in the current SCIRA Official Rulebook and SCIRA web site, or as modified with approval from the US National Secretary.

9.2 In the event that more than five (5) total races are to be sailed, more than three (3) races are permitted to be sailed in a single day. This provision shall supersede the SCIRA Rules of Conduct.

9.3 Racing will take place on the Atlantic Ocean (½ mile south of inlet) or Intracoastal Waterway. The Port Everglades entrance is a shipping channel with restricted maneuvering room for a large number of ships. It is the responsibility of competitors to keep well clear of all shipping traffic.

**10. SCORING:**

10.1 The ISAF scoring system, Appendix A will apply with the following modifications.

10.2 If five (5) or fewer races are completed, all scores shall be counted. If six (6) to eight (8) races are completed, a boat's worst score shall be dropped. If nine (9) to eleven (11) races are completed a boat's two (2) worst scores shall be dropped. Three completed races shall constitute a regatta.

10.3 The first leg of each race shall not have a defined minimum length. This shall modify the SCIRA Rules for Running Championship Regattas, clause 5.

10.4 Any boat that has sailed the course and not finished within thirty (30) minutes of the first boat to sail the course shall be scored TLE and scored as one (1) more place than the last boat to finish, without a hearing.

**11. SUPPORT BOATS:**

Support boats shall register, within the limits specified in 4.4 above, with the Organizing Committee that will assign an identification to be shown visible on the boat throughout the event.

**12. INSURANCE:**

12.1 Anyone chartering or borrowing a boat must purchase the forty dollar (\$40.00) SCIRA charter insurance for the regatta, available at <http://www.snipeus.org/downloads/forms/CharterBoatInsuranceProgram.pdf>.

**13 RADIO COMMUNICATION:**

13.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats.

13.2 This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

**14 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY:**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the regatta.

**15 PRIZES:**

Trophies will be awarded to the top three finishers. Additional trophies will be awarded to the top placing Junior Team. A Junior is defined as a skipper not reaching the age of 22 or older in 2013. A Sportsmanship Award will also be given to recognize a person who demonstrates Snipe spirit.

**16 QUALIFICATIONS FOR SUBSEQUENT EVENT:**

This event does not qualify for a subsequent event

**PRACTICAL INFORMATION (Not part of the Notice of Race)**

**REGATTA WEBSITE:** [www.lyc.org](http://www.lyc.org)

**REGATTA CONTACTS:** Sharon Seymour-Johnson, [Sharon\\_johnson@att.net](mailto:Sharon_johnson@att.net)  
and Connie Commette, [cecommette@aol.com](mailto:cecommette@aol.com)

**SCIRA REPRESENTATIVE:** Martin Bebb, [martinrb@swbell.net](mailto:martinrb@swbell.net)

**PRINCIPAL RACE OFFICER and CLINIC LEADER:** Peter Commette, [pmcommette@aol.com](mailto:pmcommette@aol.com)

**CHARTERS:** A limited number of charters will be made available on a first come, first served basis. All requests for charters must be made no later than Nov.1, 2013.

Contact: Kathleen Tocke, [ktocke@hotmail.com](mailto:ktocke@hotmail.com)

**HOUSING:** Limited housing will be made available on a first come, first served basis. All requests must be made no later than Nov.1, 2013.

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