

# ***INVITATION TO RACE***

The Key West Winter Series powered by Sailing Inc.

Jan 16 - 18, 2021 & Mar 5 - 7 2021

Key West, FL

## ***1. EVENT MANAGEMENT***

- 1.1. Sailing Inc. is the organizing authority of The Key West Winter Series powered by Sailing Inc.
- 1.2. Address all correspondence to the following:  
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## ***2. UPDATES***

- 2.1. Periodic updates and up-to-date information on the regatta can be found on the event website, [thekeywestwintereseries.com](http://thekeywestwintereseries.com); [yachtscoring.com](http://yachtscoring.com) and on [facebook.com](https://www.facebook.com).

## ***3. SLIPS/DOCKING***

- 3.1. Key West and Stock Island have multiple, viable options for dockage. Boat owners are responsible for arranging their own dock space. Slips are available at the Galleon on a first come, first served basis with space being limited.

## ***4. LAUNCHING, STORAGE & HAUL-OUT***

- 4.1. Launching has been arranged at Robbie's of Key West. Prior arrangements are required. Please reach out to Casey Taylor to schedule:  
Robbie's of Key West LLC Tel: 305-294-1124  
7281 Shrimp Road Email: [Casey@Robbies.com](mailto:Casey@Robbies.com)  
Key West, Florida 33040

## **5. BOAT TRANSPORT - FLORIDA KEYS**

- 5.1. The Florida Department of Transportation contact information and basic requirements regarding road transportation can be found on the FDOT website at: [www.dot.state.fl.us](http://www.dot.state.fl.us) or contact the Florida DOT Permit office at (850) 410-5777

## **6. EVENT NAME & LOGO**

- 6.1. Any commercial or editorial reference to this event must use the regatta's official name: **The Key West Winter Series powered by Sailing Inc.** Any commercial video of the event, including website productions, must be licensed by Sailing Inc. Except as agreed, any use of the event logo on merchandise or gear is prohibited.

## **7. TELEVISION & PHOTOGRAPHERS' RIGHTS**

- 7.1. Competitors and crew members give absolute right and permission to use their name, voice and likeness as well as representation of their boats in any media world-wide (being television, print, video footage and internet media) for purposes of press information, reporting, promoting, disseminating information or advertising.

## **8. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS**

- 8.1. The Official Notice Board will be located on [yachtscoring.com](http://yachtscoring.com).

## **9. RULES**

- 9.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 9.2. Specific class rules or amendments for this event will be posted on the official notice board.
- 9.3. All boats shall carry an operating VHF radio.

## **10. ADVERTISING**

- 10.1. Advertising is permitted, unless class rules do not permit, in accordance with World Sailing Regulations. Boats that intend to display advertising shall indicate on their entry form. Competitors are requested to respect the brand exclusivity of the official sponsors of the event.
- 10.2. All boats shall display the event bow and boom stickers, if provided, when racing.

## **11. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY**

- 11.1. The following boats are invited to enter in the following classes:

- 11.1.1. J/111
- 11.2. One design classes will sail under its class rules.
- 11.3. Other classes may be accepted at the discretion of the organizing authority.
- 11.4. A completed online entry, a signed waiver form and the entry fee must be received by December 31, 2020. No entries will be accepted after December 31, 2020 without permission from the organizing authority and an additional surcharge of \$250.
- 11.5. Each owner, skipper and crew member shall execute a waiver of liability and media release. This can be done electronically via [yachtscoring.com](http://yachtscoring.com)

## **12. FEES**

- 12.1. The entry application shall be accompanied by an entry fee. The entry fees are based upon class. Entry fees are:
  - 12.1.1. J/111: \$500 per boat for each event for entries paid before December 31, 2020.
  - 12.1.2. An administrative fee of \$150 will be applied to all cancellations

## **13. PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

- 13.1. Event 1
 

Fri Jan 15	10:00 AM 1:00 PM	Check-In & bow/boom Sticker pick up Practice starts followed by a practice race
Sat Jan 16	10:55 AM 6:00 PM	Warning for first race of the day Daily awards
Sun Jan 17	10:55 AM 6:00 PM	Warning for first race of the day Daily awards
Mon Jan 18	10:55 AM  3:00 PM	Warning for first race of the day No initial warning signal after 12:55 PM Awards
  
- 13.2. Event 2
 

Thu Mar 4	10:00 AM 1:00 PM	Check-In & bow/boom Sticker pick up Practice starts followed by a practice race
Fri Mar 5	10:55 AM 6:00 PM	Warning for first race of the day Daily awards
Sat Mar 6	10:55 AM 6:00 PM	Warning for first race of the day Daily awards
Sun Mar 7	10:55 AM  3:00 PM	Warning for first race of the day No initial warning signal after 12:55 PM Awards

## **14. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 14.1. The sailing instructions will be available on or before January 1st, 2021 on [yachtscoring.com](http://yachtscoring.com).

## **15. RACING AREAS & COURSES**

- 15.1. The racing area will be identified and posted on [yachtscoring.com](http://yachtscoring.com) on or before Jan. 1, 2021.
- 15.2. All one design classes will sail windward / leeward drop mark courses.

## **16. SCORING**

- 16.1. Unless class rules prescribe otherwise, a boat's series score will be the total of her races with no scores excluded.

## **17. RESPONSIBILITY**

- 17.1. The safety of a boat and its crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the skipper who must ensure the boat is fully sound, thoroughly seaworthy and manned by an experienced and physically capable crew. Neither the establishment of regulations or inspection of a boat in any way limits or reduces the complete and unlimited responsibility of the skipper.
- 17.2. It is the sole and inescapable responsibility of each boat to decide whether or not to start or continue in any race.
- 17.3. Sailing Inc., participating sponsors and event partners of The Key West Winter Series powered by Sailing Inc. do not accept responsibility for loss of life or injury to participants or others, or the loss or damage of any vessel or equipment in any way or from any cause during or related to this event.

## **18. PRIZES**

- 18.1. Class awards will be presented to first, second and third place boats each day.
- 18.2. Overall series awards based on the cumulative scores for each event will be presented to the first, second and third place boats of each class after the final race of the event.
- 18.3. The Key West Winter Series Trophy presented by Sailing Inc. will be awarded to the overall series winner, based upon cumulative scores of both events.