

# **MELGES<sup>20</sup>**

## **2016 North American Championships**

Toronto, Ontario Canada



### **NOTICE OF RACE**

September 23-25, 2016

Hosted by The Royal Canadian Yacht Club

**1. Venue / Authority**

1.1 The Royal Canadian Yacht Club (RCYC) in coordination with the International Melges 20 Class Association (IAM20CA) is the Organizing Authority (OA).

1.2 RCYC is located at: 150 Cherry Street, Toronto, Ontario Canada. PH (905) 278-5578

1.3 Trailer storage and docking information will be posted at [www.rcyc.ca](http://www.rcyc.ca)

1.4 Websites:

International Melges 20 Class Association: [www.melges20.com](http://www.melges20.com)

RCYC: [www.rcyc.ca](http://www.rcyc.ca)

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

2.2 The International Melges 20 Class Rules (IAM20CR), including Part 3, Section 1 (EVENT RULES), will apply except as specifically changed in the Notice of Race (NoR) or in the Sailing Instructions (SIs).

2.4 The Equipment Rules of Sailing (ERS) will apply.

2.5 Competitor advertising shall conform to the current ISAF Regulation 20 and the Class Rules.

Boats may be required to display identification numbers and sponsor advertising for the duration of the event in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.4. These items will be supplied free of charge by the organizing authority (OA) at registration.

- 2.6 Each boat shall carry a radio capable of transmitting and receiving Canadian VHF channels. The Race Committee's VHF communication channel will be posted on the Official Notice Board on the patio of the Port Credit Yacht Club.
- 2.7 RRS 42.3(c) is modified to allow the spinnaker sheet to be pumped without restriction to promote surfing or planning.
- 2.8 For purposes of RRS 43.2, the anti hiking strap does not constitute a lifeline.
- 2.9 Where there is a conflict between this NOR and the Sailing Instructions (SIs), the SIs shall prevail. This changes RRS 63.7.

### **3. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY**

- 3.1 The International Melges 20 Canadian Championship is open to all boats of the International Melges 20 Class that meet the obligations of the IAM20CA.
- 3.2 All boat owners must be in compliance with Class Rule C.2.1 and C.2.2.
- 3.3 Boats will conform to IAM20 class rules regarding sailor classification in accordance with The ISAF Sailor Classification Code 22. Details of the ISAF Classification Code and information on how to apply can be found on ISAF's website at [www.sailing.org/classification](http://www.sailing.org/classification).
- 3.4 Eligible boats may enter by visiting <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=1615> and completing the regatta's online entry process and paying the required fees (online).
- 3.4 Entry Deadline: All entries must be received no later than September 15, 2016. Late entries may only be accepted with the approval of the Regatta Chairperson.
- 3.5 On Site Registration: Registration, including presenting Proof of Insurance and the required Class Forms to the registration staff and receiving event materials, must be completed by 1700 on the day prior to the start of racing.

The required IAM20CA forms are:

- \* Approved Helmsman Application Form, per Class Rule Appendix 8
- \* Sail Declaration Form per Class Rule Appendix 2

**4. FEES**

- 4.1 The entry fee is CAD \$ 450 if paid before August 31st, 2016. Entry after August 31st will be \$550.

**5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

**5.1 Thursday, September 22**

Participants are invited to a practice race as part of RCYC's Thursday Night mid week race. Warning scheduled for 18:24.

**Friday, September 23**

Skippers Meeting	10:00 in front of RCYC sailing office
First Warning Signal	11:55
Race Debrief	Following Racing @ RCYC
After Racing Social-RCYC	Following Racing

**Saturday, September 24**

First Warning Signal	11:55
Social	Following Racing @ RCYC
Dinner	18:00

**Sunday, September 25**

First Warning Signal	11:55
Awards Ceremony	Scheduled for 16:30

- 5.2 Nine (9) races are scheduled. The Race Committee (RC) may run fewer races at its discretion.
- 5.3 On the final day of the regatta, the Initial Warning Signal for the final race will not be made after 14:30 hours. However, after this Initial Warning, any Warning Signal that follows one or more General Recalls may occur after 14:30.

**6. MEASUREMENT**

- 6.1 All competitors shall conform to Class Measurement Rules.
- 6.2 The Organizing Authority may measure or inspect any boat and/or her equipment and sails before, during, or after the races, for compliance to class rules.

**7. LAUNCHING AND MOORAGE**

- 7.1 All boats must be in the water by 11:00 on Friday, September 18.
- 7.2 All boats shall remain in the water and moored at the RCYC until the end of racing, unless granted prior permission by the Principal Race Officer.

**8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 8.1 The SIs will be available at registration and may be posted on the [www.rcyc.ca](http://www.rcyc.ca) website prior to September 12<sup>th</sup>.

**9. COURSES**

- 9.1 The course to be sailed will be a windward / leeward configuration with a gate.

**10. SCORING**

- 10.1 The Low Point Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply, with the following modification:

When fewer than six races have been sailed, a boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores; when six or more races have been sailed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

- 10.2 Three completed races are necessary to constitute a series.

**11. PRIZES**

- 11.1 The winner will be named the 2016 North American Champion.
- 11.2 In addition, prizes for 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and top Corinthian boat.

**12. COACH AND SUPPORT BOATS**

- 12.1 All support boats are required to monitor the event's designated Race Committee VHF when in the race course area.
- 12.2 Additional support boat instructions will be stated in the SIs.

**13. INSURANCE**

- 13.1 All boats are required to hold adequate third-party insurance and it is the owner or owner's representative's sole and inescapable responsibility to ensure that the insurance is in place and is adequate prior to competing in the event.

Proof of Insurance shall be provided to the registration staff during the specified registration time.

**14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Sailing is an activity that carries with it an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk and are reminded to pay special attention to RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers include the Organizing Authority, The Royal Canadian Yacht Club, Race Committee, Protest Committee, sponsors, volunteers, or any other affiliated organization or official who will

not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of practice for or participation in this event during shore side or on-the-water activities. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

**15. AMENDMENTS TO THIS NOTICE**

The OA may amend this notice. Amendments will be posted on the Official Notice Board, and if practical, posted on [www.rcyc.ca](http://www.rcyc.ca)

**16. HOTEL NFORMATION**

Hotel information for the Canadian Championship will be posted on [www.rcyc.ca](http://www.rcyc.ca)

**17. FUTHER INFORMATION**

For further information, please contact:

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