

# Melges<sup>24</sup> Midwinter Tune-Up

January 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> 2018

The Organizing Authority is the US Melges 24 Event Championships Inc & Regatta Management LLC

## NOTICE OF RACE

### 1 RULES

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

### 2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

2.1 The Regatta is open to all boats that conform to the Rules of the International Melges 24 Class Association.

2.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form and paying the required fees.

### 3 Regatta's Intent

This regatta's intent is combine training and well as competitive racing. Coaching will be allowed during and between racing. There will be video and drone coverage focused on boat handling, maneuvers and mark roundings. There will be post racing debriefs and morning debriefs to teams properly set up for the day. You are required by the class rules to not exceed class crew weight. There will be no pre-event weigh-in but you can be protested if you are suspected of sailing over weight.

### 4 FEES

4.1 The entry fee is \$450.00.

4.2 The entry fee includes state and local taxes.

### 5 SCHEDULE

Dates	Activity
January 18 <sup>th</sup> 1500 -1900	Registration check-in (no crew weigh in)
January 18 <sup>th</sup> 2000	All boats must be in the water
January 19 <sup>th</sup> 0900-0930	Pre-race day set up briefing
January 19 <sup>th</sup> 1100	First warning signal, subsequent races to follow
January 19 <sup>th</sup> 1700	Daily debrief with snacks and refreshments
January 20 <sup>th</sup> 0900-0930	Pre-race set up with reviews of previous days sailing
January 20 <sup>th</sup> 1100	First warning signal, subsequent races to follow
January 20 <sup>th</sup> 1500	Daily debrief with snacks and refreshments
January 21 <sup>st</sup> 0900-0930	Pre-race set up with reviews of previous days sailing
January 21 <sup>st</sup> 1100	First warning signal subsequent races to follow (no start after 1400)
January 21 <sup>st</sup> 16:00	Final debrief and awards

## **6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The sailing instructions will be available at registration and will be posted on the Yacht Scoring website. Communication for the racing will utilize VHF radios with the working channel to be determined.

## **7 LAUNCHING AND MOORAGE**

- 7.1 All boats must be in the water by January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2000 hours. Arrangements for launching, hauling and dockage is being made available by Shake A Leg Sailing Center. Please support their great cause. Dockage will be available on the Shake A Leg docks and is included in your entry fee. You will need to pre-register with Shake A Leg to organize your launch, haul, trailer storage and if you need additional storage for the Miami race week event. A link to the Shake A Leg registration can be found on the Yacht Scoring event page.

## **8 COURSES**

- 8.1 Courses will be windward leeward. Minimum breeze to start a race will be 6 knots and a maximum sustained winds of 30 knots.
- 8.2 Racing will be on Biscayne Bay

## **9 SCORING**

- 9.1 If five or fewer races are completed a boat's Regatta score will be the total of her race scores. If six or more races are completed a boat's Regatta score will be the total of her scores excluding her worst score One completed race is necessary to constitute a Regatta.

## **10 PRIZES**

- 10.1 For each Regatta, trophies will be awarded to the top three boats and the top Corinthian team.
- 10.2 For the overall Title of Event, a trophy will be awarded to the Series winner and the top Corinthian team.
- 10.3 Additional prizes may be awarded.

## **11 INSURANCE**

- 11.1 All boats are required to hold adequate third-party insurance (\$300,000.00) and it is the owner or owner representative's sole and inescapable responsibility to ensure that the insurance is in place and is adequate prior to competing in the event.
- 11.2 Proof of Insurance shall be provided at the time of online registration. Proof of insurance will be required before boat storage is allowed.

## **12 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Sailing is an activity that carries with it an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors participate in these Regattas entirely at their own risk and are reminded to pay special attention to RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers, including the Organizing Authority, Regatta Management, Race Committee, Protest Committee, sponsors, volunteers, or any other affiliated organization or official, will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained because 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.

**13 FURTHER INFORMATION**

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