



2019 Melges 32 Winter Series At Davis Island Yacht Club

With **Regattas** on January 19-20, February 23-24, and March 16-17

The Organizing Authority is the Davis Island Yacht Club

NOTICE OF SERIES

1 RULES

- 1.1 The 2019 Melges 32 Winter Series at Davis Island Yacht Club will be governed by the *rules* as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the Melges 32 Class Rules.
 - i. Only one Group 3 competitor is allowed per Melges 32.
 - ii. Wire standard rigging is allowed.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The series is open to all boats of the Melges 32 class however membership in the class is not required
- 2.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online entry form and paying the required fees.
- 2.3 **All participants in the Regatta, including those who registered and made the required payments online, are required to report to the Regatta Registration Desk during the hours it is open to confirm and complete their registration for the Regatta.**

3 FEES

- 3.1 The entry fee is US\$420 for the Regatta plus \$29.40 for state and local taxes.
- 3.2 The entry fee includes the following:
 - i. Two (2) breakfast buffet tickets per day for all three events per boat
 - ii. Pizza for all participants after racing each Saturday
 - iii. Keg of beer after racing each Saturday and Sunday
 - iv. Two kegs of beer at the social event at 81 Bay Brewing Company on January 19th
 - v. Additional social packages will be available for purchase at registration
- 3.3 An entry will not be considered final nor storage confirmed until all fees are paid and all required forms are submitted.

4 ON-SITE REGISTRATION

- 4.1 All competitors must complete waivers online or during registration hours.
- 4.2 Boats and sails are subject to inspection for adherence to class rules.
 - i. No weigh ins are required, however adherence could be checked.
- 4.3 Changes or substitutions of crew during a Regatta will require written consent of the race committee.

5 SCHEDULE

Activity	Regatta Dates
Registration Friday, 1600-2000 hrs.	Jan 18
Competitors Meeting Friday, 2000 hrs.	Jan 18
Registration Saturday, 0800-0900 hrs.	Jan 19 Feb 23 Mar 16
Regatta Party at 81 Bay Brewing Company 1900-0000 4465 W Gandy Blvd #600 With two kegs provided, food trucks will be on site for dinner/snacks	Jan 19

First Scheduled Warning Saturday and Sunday, 1000	Jan 19-20, Feb 23-24, Mar 16-17
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5.1 There will be no Warning Signal after 1400 on Sunday of each Regatta.

5.2 Five races are scheduled for each Regatta, 15 total races for the 2019 Melges32 Winter Series at Davis Island Yacht Club.

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS - The sailing instructions will be available at registration and may be posted online.

7 VENUE

7.1 All races shall be sailed in that part of Hillsborough Bay that lies due south of Davis Island Yacht Club.

8 LAUNCHING AND MOORAGE

8.1 All boats must be in the water by 0800 on the first race day of a Regatta and shall remain in the water until the end of the Regatta, unless granted prior permission by the Race Committee.

8.2 Once launched, boats shall not use electricity without consent of the Race Committee.

9 COURSES - The course will be a windward / leeward configuration.

10 PENALTY SYSTEM

10.1 RRS 44.1(a) and 44.2 are changed as so the penalty shall be a one turn penalty including one tack and one gybe, except within three boats lengths of a mark the penalty shall be a two-turn penalty each turn including one tack and one gybe.

11 SCORING

11.1 Five races are scheduled for each regatta, 15 total for the series

11.2 For each Regatta:

- i. A boat's score will be the total of all her race scores
- ii. One completed race is necessary to constitute a regatta.

11.3 To be scored for the Melges 32 Winter Series:

- i. Competitors must register, pay and compete in all three regattas.
- ii. The skipper must be the same in all three regattas unless approved in writing by the Race Committee.
- iii. The same boat must be used in all three regattas unless approved in writing by the Race Committee.
- iv. Appendix A9 of the RRS will be used to score the Melges 32 Winter Series.
- v. A boat's Melges 32 Winter Series score will be the total of all her race scores.

12 PRIZES

12.1 For the Series, trophies will be awarded to the top three boats and the top Corinthian team.

- i. Corinthian for this series will be the boat with only Category 1 sailors.

12.2 Additional prizes may be awarded.

13 INSURANCE

13.1 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.

13.2 Proof of Insurance shall be provided at the time of online registration. Proof of insurance will be required before boat storage is allowed.

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 or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

15 ONSITE BOAT STORAGE

There will be space for 10 out of town boats to be stored on the Davis Island Yacht Club property commencing on January 14th. All stored boats must be off DIYC property by April 5th. The storage fee will be \$250 plus \$17.50 for state and local taxes per month. A separate Storage Agreement, Release and Waiver must be completed and storage fees paid on the Yacht Scoring registration site.

16 FURTHER INFORMATION

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