



COCONUT GROVE SAILING CLUB
49TH ANNUAL
OPEN ORANGE BOWL REGATTA
Co-Sponsored by The Orange Bowl Committee

Lasers, Laser Masters, Laser Radials,
29ers, and

The International 420 Class North
American Championships

Biscayne Bay, Coconut Grove (Miami), FL USA
Tuesday, December 27 – Friday, December 30, 2011

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1 The 2011 CGSC Open Orange Bowl Regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing for 2009-2012 (*RRS*), rules of the participating Class Associations, the Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 The following Prescriptions of USSailing will apply: *RRS* 61.4, 68, 76.1, 76.3 and Appendix F only.
- 1.3 If there is a conflict between a rule in the NOR and these Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions will take precedence. (This changes *RRS* 63.7.) If there is a conflict between a Class Rule and these Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions will take precedence to the extent allowed by the Class Rules.
- 1.4 In particular, the attention of participating 29ers, I-420's and Lasers is drawn to 29er CR C1.1 (b) and I-420 CR C.1.2.1 which waive *RRS* 42 under certain conditions. In this regard, The Race Committee will display Race Signals as provided in *RRS P5*. Such signals apply to the 29er and/or I-420 fleets only.
- 1.5 All hails to Laser competitors will use the last four digits of the sail number being hailed.
- 1.6 Boats shall not put trash in the water.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the first floor of the Coconut Grove Sailing Club (CGSC).

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Written changes will be posted by 1230 on Tuesday, December 27, and thereafter by 0830 on the day they will take effect. However, any changes in the Schedule of Races will be posted by the protest time limit on the day before they take effect (Sailing Instruction 15.2).

- 3.2 Oral changes to the Sailing Instructions may be given on the water in accordance with RRS 90.2(c). The Race Committee Signal Boat shall display Code Flag "L," and Competitors shall approach the Signal Boat to receive the change.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the main flagpole at the Coconut Grove Sailing Club.
- 4.2 Code Flag "L", when displayed ashore signifies that a change in Sailing Instructions or other notice to competitors has been posted on the Official Bulletin Board.
- 4.3 Code Flag "AP" when displayed ashore means that the start has been postponed. The Warning Signal will be made not less than 60 minutes after the lowering of this signal.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 The scheduled time for the Warning Signal for the first race each day is as follows:
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| Tuesday, December 27, 2011 | 1400 |
| Wednesday and Thursday, December 28 and 29 | 1100 |
| Friday, December 30 | 1030 |
- 5.2 Ten races are scheduled for the Laser and I-420 Classes. Twelve races are scheduled for the 29er Class.
- 5.3 The Race Committee Finishing Boat will signal the intent to run another race that day by displaying the Second Substitute while boats are finishing. If the Second Substitute is displayed over a Class Flag, the signal pertains to that Class, only. The Second Substitute will be lowered with one sound one minute before the next signal is made.
- 5.4 On the final day of the regatta, no Initial Warning Signal for a Class will be made after 1330 hours. The Warning Signal for a start following one or more General Recalls of that Class may be after 1330.

6. CLASS FLAGS

- 6.1 The Class Flags will contain the Laser, Laser Radial, 29er and International 420 Insignias. They will be displayed at the Skippers' Meeting.

7. RACING AREAS

- 7.1 All racing will be on Biscayne Bay in an area approximately 1 to 3 miles SSE of Brennan Channel Marker "1" (Fl.G 5sec 8ft).

8. THE COURSES

- 8.1 Courses will be as described below, and more specifically in "ADDENDUM No. 1-COURSE ILLUSTRATIONS".
- 8.2 Course Designations:

COURSE WX –

Lasers: Start – WX - OS – 4S/4p – WX - OS – 4S/4P – Finish W
 I-420s & 29ers: Start – WX - OS – 4S/4P – WX -OS – Finish W

COURSE WY –

Lasers: Start – WY - OS – 4S/4p – WY - OS – 4S/4P – Finish W

I-420s & 29ers: Start – WY- OS – 4S/4P – WY - OS – Finish W

COURSE TX –

Start – WX – 2 – 3S/3P – 2 – 3S/3P – Finish T

COURSE TY –

Start – WY – 2 – 3S/3P – 2 -3S/3P – Finish T

- 8.3 The interior angle between the first and second legs of Course TX will be approximately 70 degrees.
- 8.4 If a windward Offset Mark is present, it will not be a mark of the course for classes sailing Course TX or TY.
- 8.5 If Marks 4S/4P are present, they will not be marks of the course for I-420s or 29ers on their last leg to the finish of Course WX or WY.
- 8.6 Courses will be posted on the Race Committee Signal Boat course board prior to the Warning Signal of each race. For each Class, the designation of the course to be sailed, the approximate magnetic compass bearing of the first leg, windward mark designation and distance from the starting line to the designated windward mark will be displayed. (See Addendum No. 1.)

9. MARKS

- 9.1 Course Marks, except for the offset marks, will be 5 ft. inflatable tetrahedron marks.
- 9.2 The original Windward marks, and Gates will be orange tetrahedron marks.
- 9.3 The offset mark(s) will be 3 ft. round inflatable marks.
- 9.4 All marks shall be left to port, except that:
- i) the gates shall be left as per *RRS 28.1(c)*, and
 - ii) the yellow mark of Finish line T shall be left to starboard.
- 9.5 If the Windward mark or the offset mark is missing, and no Code Flag "M" is displayed in its place by a Race Committee boat, the only remaining mark shall be left to port.
- 9.6 If one gate mark is missing, and no Code Flag "M" is displayed in its place by a Race Committee boat, the only remaining gate mark shall be left to port.

10. THE START

- 10.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Signal Boat and a staff displaying an orange flag on a port end Line Boat or the course side of a yellow starting mark.
- 10.2 A boat starting later than five (5) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS). (This changes *RRS A4.1*)

11. RECALLS

11.1 In the event of an individual recall, the Race Committee may attempt to hail the sail numbers (see SI 1.4), or identification of any boat or boats that are identified as OCS. Failure of a boat to see or hear her recall notification, and the timing and order of such hails, or the length of time it takes to make such hails, will not be considered an act or omission of the Race Committee under RRS 62.1 (a).)

12. CHANGING THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the Race Committee will lay a new mark (or gate, or move the Finish line), and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. The new mark(s) will be yellow.

12.2 When, in a subsequent change, the new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an orange mark.

13. FINISH

13.1 The Finish line(s) will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee boat and the course side of a nearby inflatable mark. Finish lines "W" and "T" are described in Addendum No. 1.

14. TIME LIMITS

14.1 The time limit and target time for each class (in minutes) are as follows:

----Time Limits----

<u>Class</u>	<u>First Mark</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>Target Time</u>
Laser	30	90	45
I-420	30	90	45
29er	20	45	30

14.2 Any race in which no boat in a Class rounds the first mark within the above First Mark Time Limit following the start or finishes within the Race Time Limit following the start shall be abandoned.

14.3 Any boats not finishing within 15 minutes of the finish time of the first boat in her Class will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

14.3 Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

15. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

15.1 A boat intending to protest is requested to notify a Race Committee Finish Boat of its intention and the identity of the protested boat(s) as soon as possible after finishing.

15.2 Protest forms will be available at the Regatta Desk at CGSC. Protests and requests for redress shall be delivered to the Regatta Desk within the protest time limit. The time limit is one (1) hour after the Race Committee Finish Boat docks or when a race is abandoned ashore. Protest hearings will be conducted at CGSC or at Coral Reef yacht Club as soon as possible and in the approximate order in which they were filed.

16. SCORING

16.1 A minimum of three races must be completed to constitute a regatta.

- 16.2 If six (6) or more races are completed, a boat may exclude her worst score. If 11 races are completed, each competitor's two worst scores will be excluded.
- 16.3 All Laser entrants will start together. Laser Radials will be scored separately. Lasers and Laser Masters will be scored together for the overall Laser full rig standings. In addition, Laser Masters will be scored against one another for the Laser Masters standings according to the Masters Handicap System. For each race, based on their finish places among only the Laser Masters Class: Apprentice Masters – add three points; Masters – add two points; Grand Masters – add one point; and Great Grand Masters – add zero points. Ties will be broken in order of the oldest sailor(s) involved in the tie.

17. PRIZES

- 17.1 The top five boats in the Laser, I-420 and 29er Classes shall receive prizes. The top three boats in the Laser Masters and Laser Radial Classes shall receive prizes. In addition, for the I-420 and 29er Classes, the top junior team (skipper and crew not yet age 19 on December 31, 2011) and the top female team will receive prizes.

18. SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

- 18.1 All boats must check in with the Race Committee prior to the Warning Signal of the first race each day by sailing past the stern of the Signal Boat on starboard tack and hailing her sail number until acknowledged by the Race Committee.
- 18.2 A boat that retires from a race or does not intend to start a scheduled race shall promptly report this to the Race Committee via hailing. If this is not possible, she shall promptly report her actions to the Regatta Desk on shore at CGSC.

19. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 19.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See *RRS 4, Decision to Race*. The Organizing Authorities, Host Club, and their officers, employees, Race Committee, agents, and volunteers 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.

ADDENDUM No. 1
COURSE ILLUSTRATIONS

EXAMPLE COURSE BOARD – R/C SIGNAL BOAT

<u>BEARING</u>	<u>CLASS</u>	<u>COURSE</u>	<u>Wx MARK</u>	<u>DISTANCE</u>
120°	Laser	TY	1Y	1.0 nm
	I-420	TY	1Y	1.0 nm
	29er	WX	1X	0.8 nm

Wind



OS -----> ● ● <-----Mark 1Y

OS -----> ● ● <----- Mark 1X

● <----- Mark 2

Marks 4S/4P -----> ● ●

Start ● ----- R/C ----- ● (Finish W)

● ● <--Marks 3S/3P

R/C



● (Finish T)