



Finn Midwinters 2023
Coconut Grove Sailing Club
20 January 2023 to 22 January 2023

NOTICE OF RACE

1. Organizing Authority and Venue

- 1.1 The 2023 Finn Midwinters will be held from 20 January to 22 January 2023 in Miami, USA.
- 1.2 The Organizing Authority is the Coconut Grove Sailing Club in conjunction with the USA Finn Class Association.

2. Rules

- 2.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 2.2 The International Finn Class Event Manual will apply, unless changed by this Notice of Race, or by the Sailing Instructions, with the approval of the IFA.
- 2.3 RRS 90.3(e) will apply.
- 2.4 No national authority prescriptions will apply.
- 2.5 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.
- 2.6 [DP] All participants (competitors, support persons and officials) are expected to follow current government COVID-19 guidelines and legislation. Breaches of these and any event Covid protocols may be misconduct and subject to RRS 69. These will not be subject to protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1.
- 2.7 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Failure to comply may be misconduct.
- 2.8 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority. Such advertising, if any, shall be displayed in accordance with the Sailing Instructions.
- 2.9 RRS 40.1 shall apply at all times while afloat.
- 2.10 Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, will apply.
- 2.11 Support person vessel restrictions may be applied. These will be published in or with the Sailing Instructions.

3. Communications

- 3.1 The event official notice board will be online at https://yachtscoring.com/notice_board.cfm?eid=15269.
- 3.2 [DP] From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4. Eligibility and Entry

- 4.1 Eligible competitors shall be current members of an IFA recognised National Finn Association.
- 4.2 Entries shall be submitted online prior to 19, January, 2023, unless extended by the Organizing Authority. The entry form is available at https://yachtscoring.com/event_registration_email.cfm?eid=15269.

5. Entry Fee

- 5.1 The Entry Fee is USD \$175 and shall be paid in full by 29, December 2022. Late entries will be charged an additional USD \$50.
- 5.2 Cancellation policy: For registration annulation before the 29th December the 90% of the entry fee paid will be refunded. For notifications on or after the 29th December and before the 5th January 2023, 50% of the entry fee paid will be refunded. After the 16th January no entry fee will be refunded.
- 5.3 Support boats will be required to register and pay a fee of USD \$80, be insured and comply with local regulations to be permitted to use launching and berthing at the venue. Registration may be completed on line through the event website. Payment is required by 19 January 2023.

6. Competition Format

- 6.1 Six races are scheduled.



7. Event Schedule

7.1

| Date | Event | Time | Location |
|-----------------|---|----------------------|--|
| 19 January 2023 | Registration Competitor's Meeting | 1000 -1700 1800 | Coconut Grove Sailing Club Coconut Grove Sailing Club |
| 20 January 2023 | Racing (2 races scheduled) First Warning Signal | 1200 | Biscayne Bay |
| 21 January 2023 | Racing (2 races scheduled) First Warning Signal | 1200 | Biscayne Bay |
| 22 January 2023 | Racing (2 races scheduled) First Warning Signal Closing Ceremony & Prize Giving | 1200 After racing | Biscayne Bay Coconut Grove Sailing Club |

7.2 An additional race may be scheduled on any day to enable the full number of scheduled races to be sailed. A maximum of three races per day will be sailed.

7.3 Succeeding races will be started as soon as practicable after the finish of the previous races.

7.4 No warning signal will be made after 1400 hours on Sunday, 22nd January.

8. Advertising

8.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority. Such advertising, if any, shall be displayed in accordance with the Sailing Instructions.

9. Sailing Instructions

9.1 The Sailing Instructions (SI) will be available on the official notice board before 19, January 2023.

10. Racing Area

10.1 Attachment A shows the Club Area.

10.2 The intended race-course area will be on Biscayne Bay in an area approximately 1 to 3 miles SSE of Brennan Channel Marker "1" (FIG. 5 sec. 8ft). See Attachment B.

11. Courses

11.1 Courses will be as per the current IFA Event Manual, unless varied by the Sailing Instructions.

12. Scoring

12.1 One race shall be completed to constitute a Regatta.

13. Insurance

13.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$1,000,000 or the equivalent thereof in any other currency for any one incident. By entering the event each competitor declares that they hold such insurance.

14. Prizes

14.1 Trophies will be awarded for the top three Finishers overall.

14.2 Other categories will also be recognized:

Top U23

Top Master

Top Grand Master

40>

50>

Top Great Grand Master 60>

Top Legend 70>

15. Support person vessels and personnel

15.1 All support vessels (boats with support persons on board as defined by the RRS) shall be registered (see 5.3) with the Organizing Authority and will be required to comply with local legislation and event support vessel regulations or



sailing instructions. The Organizing Authority may refuse registrations and accept late registrations at their sole discretion.

- 15.2 Registered support vessels shall act as rescue boats in case of need. If the Race Committee displays flag V (see RRS 37) all support vessels shall monitor VHF channel 73 and comply with requests from the Race Committee and any published Safety Procedures.
- 15.3 Support vessels may be required to clearly display a flag or stickers provided by the OA with unique identification for that boat.

16. Media Consent: Rights to use Names & Likenesses

- 16.1 Competitors and / or their Parents or Guardians automatically grant the Organizing Authority, the International Finn Association and any party to which they may delegate this right, without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show (including via the internet), any motion pictures, still pictures, live, taped or filmed television, or any other form of media, of or relating to the event.
- 16.2. Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment and positioning equipment as specified by the Organizing Authority.

17. Risk Statement

- 17.1 Rule 3 of the RRS states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone." Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor and support person agrees and acknowledges that:
- (a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
 - (b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
 - (c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
 - (d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
 - (e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the race organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
 - (f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
 - (g) The fact that the Race Committee conducts inspections, or not, of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this Notice of Race.

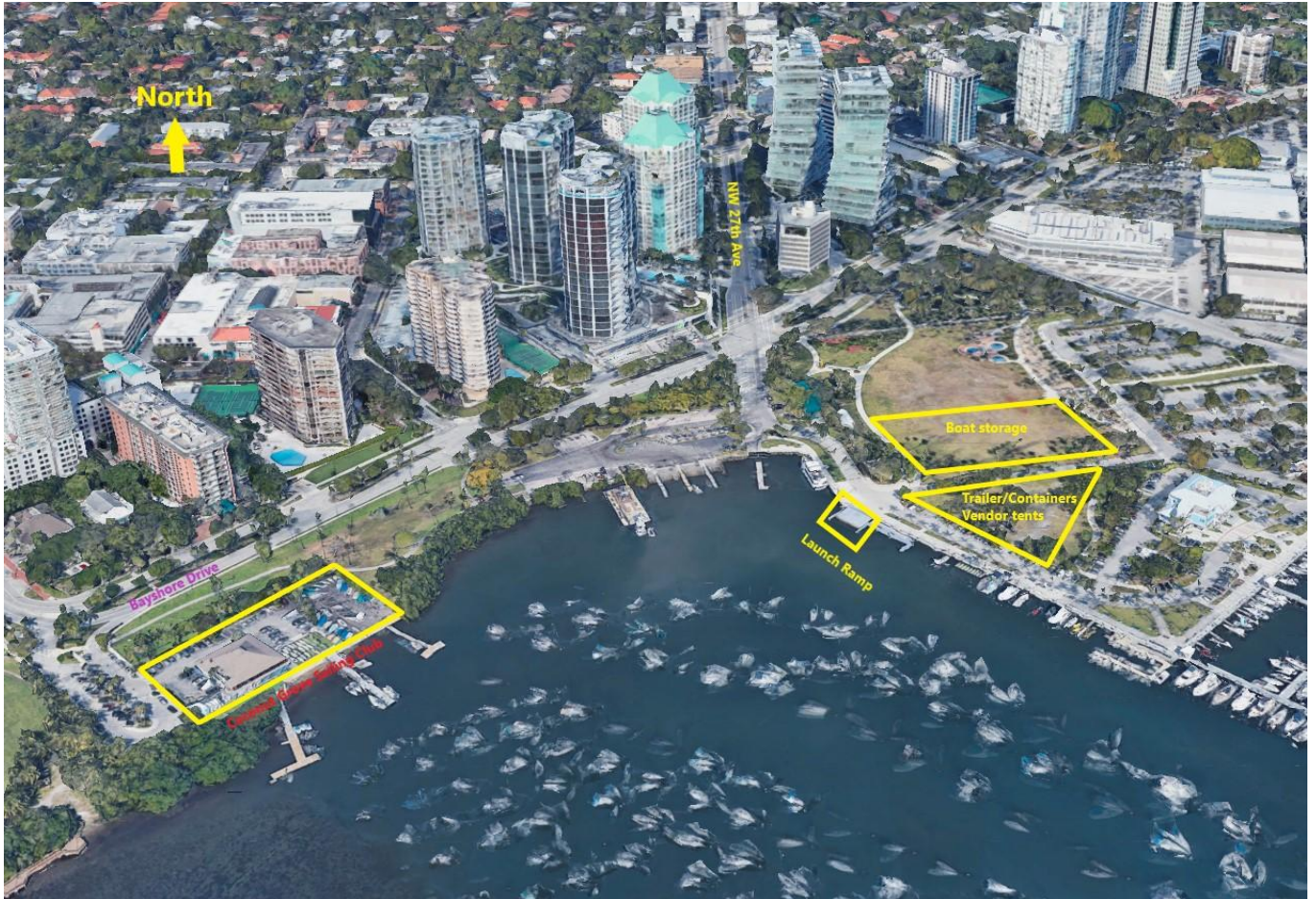
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ATTACHMENT A





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