



2020 Melges 32 Winter Series At Davis Island Yacht Club

With **Regattas** on January 4-5, February 22-23, and March 21-22
The Organizing Authority is the Davis Island Yacht Club

NOTICE OF SERIES

1 RULES

- 1.1 The 2020 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 standing 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\$600.00 for the Regatta plus state and local taxes.
- 3.2 The entry fee includes the following:
- i. (8) 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. (8) Dinner tickets per boat for a Cuban themed dinner Saturday February 22nd after racing
 - v. Extra dinner tickets will be available for purchase for \$30 each for February 22nd.
- 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.
- 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 and please copy the regatta chair on any crew changes.

5 SCHEDULE

Activity	Regatta Dates
Registration Saturday, 0700-0800	Jan 4
Competitors Meeting Saturday, 0815	Jan 4
First Scheduled Warning Saturday and Sunday, 1000	Jan 4-5, Feb 22-23, Mar 21-22
Regatta Dinner 1900	February 22
After racing pizza and beer	After racing each Saturday with a keg and pizza
Blender party with Flat Stanley ***Bring a bottle of cheap rum to the trailer***	Saturday March 21 after racing

- 5.1 There will be no Warning Signal after 1400 on Sunday of each Regatta.
- 5.2 Seven races are scheduled for each Regatta, 21 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 Seven races are scheduled for each regatta, 21 total for the series
- 11.2 For each Regatta:
 - i. One completed race is necessary to constitute a regatta.
 - ii. There will be no throw outs for individual regattas, only the cumulative series if five races are completed.
- 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. One throw out of a boats' races will be given after 5 races in the series.

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 out of town boats to be stored on the Davis Island Yacht Club property commencing on January 1st. All stored boats must be off DIYC property by March 22nd. The storage fee will be \$275 plus state and local taxes per month. All storage boats will have an assigned spot on the point. A separate Storage Agreement, Release and Waiver must be completed and storage fees paid prior to the boats arrival. Please contact the regatta chair about setting this up and being invoiced. If earlier or later storage dates are required, please contact the regatta chair.

16 FURTHER INFORMATION

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