



**COCONUT GROVE SAILING CLUB**  
**47<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL**  
**OPEN ORANGE BOWL**  
**REGATTA**  
**Co-Sponsored by The Orange Bowl**  
**Committee**

**Biscayne Bay, Coconut Grove (Miami), FL USA**  
**Sunday, December 27 – Wednesday, December 30, 2009**

## **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

### **1. RULES**

- 1.1 The 2009 CGSC Open Orange Bowl Regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing for 2009-2012 (*RRS*).
- 1.2 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.)
- 1.3 Boats shall not put trash in the water.
- 1.4 All hails to competitors will use the last four digits of the sail number being hailed.

### **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 Any changes will be posted by 1230 on Sunday, 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 16.2).
- 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:

Sunday, December 27, 2009	1400
Monday and Tuesday, December 28 and 29	1100
Wednesday, December 30	1030

5.2 Ten races are scheduled.

5.3 The Race Committee Finishing Boat will signal its intent to run another race that day by displaying Code Flag "R" at the finish of a race. Code Flag "R" will be lowered with one sound one minute before the next Warning Signal is made.

5.4 On the final day of the regatta, no Warning Signal will be made after 1330 hours.

## **6. CLASS FLAGS**

6.1 The class flags will contain the Laser and Laser Radial Insignias, and 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 in "ADDENDUM #1-COURSE ILLUSTRATIONS".

8.2 Course Designations:

**COURSE #3** - Windward, Leeward, Windward (Finish).

**COURSE #4** - Windward, Leeward, Windward, Leeward, Reach (Finish).

**COURSE #5** - Windward, Leeward, Windward, Leeward, Windward (Finish).

**COURSE #T** - Windward, Reach, Reach, Windward, Leeward, Reach (Finish).

8.3 Courses will be posted on the Race Committee Signal Boat course board prior to the Warning Signal of each race. The number of the course to be sailed, the approximate magnetic compass bearing, and distance from the starting line to the first mark will be displayed.

## **9. MARKS**

9.1 Course Marks, except for the offset mark, will be 5 ft. inflatable tetrahedron marks.

9.2 The original Windward mark and the Leeward marks will be orange tetrahedron marks.

9.3 The offset mark will be a 3 ft. round inflatable mark.

9.4 The Windward mark and the accompanying offset mark shall be left to port. 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.

9.5 A single leeward 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 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 will 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 marks shall be yellow.

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

## **13. FINISH**

13.1 The Finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee boat and the course side of a nearby inflatable mark.

## **14. TIME LIMITS**

14.1 Any race in which no boat rounds the first windward mark within 30 minutes, or finishes within 90 minutes of the start shall be abandoned. Any boats not finishing within 30 minutes of the finish time of the first boat will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired). The TLE score for such boats shall be one point more than the number of boats that finished within 30 minutes of the first boat. (This changes *RRS* 35, A4.1 & A4.2.)

## **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 Jury desk at CGSC. Protests and requests for redress shall be delivered to the Jury 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 as soon as possible and in the approximate order in which they were filed.

## **16. SCORING**

16.1 A minimum of one race must be completed to constitute a regatta.

16.2 If six (6) or more races are completed, a boat may exclude her worst score.

16.3 All 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 overall scores among the full rig Laser fleet, Apprentice Masters – add three points; Masters – add two points; Grand Masters – add one point; and Great Grand Masters – add zero points.

## **18. PRIZES**

18.1 The top three boats in the Laser, Laser Masters and Laser Radial classes shall receive prizes. The fourth and fifth place boats in the Laser class may also receive prizes.

## **19. SAFETY REQUIREMENTS**

19.1 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.

19.2 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 Jury desk on shore at CGSC.

## **20. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

20.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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 regattas in this Series.

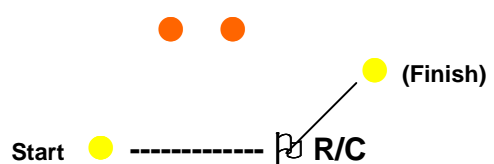
**ADDENDUM #1**  
**COURSE ILLUSTRATIONS**

<b>EXAMPLE: COURSE BOARD DISPLAYED ON R/C SIGNAL BOAT</b>	
<b>Sail Course #4</b> - windward, leeward, windward, leeward (Finish)	<b>4</b>
With <b>Offset</b> at the weather mark, and a <b>Gate</b> at leeward mark.	<u>1.0 nm. 120°</u>
The Weather mark is <b>1.0 miles</b> from start at <b>120°</b> magnetic.	

**COURSE # 3**



**COURSE # 4**



**COURSE # 5**



**COURSE # T**

