INVITATIONAL WINTER SERIES

2022 BACARDI WINTER SERIES - EVENT #2

Melges 24 and J/70

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The organizing authority is Twelve USA, Inc. The regatta office and host facility location is: Shake-A-Leg Miami (SALM), 2620 South Bayshore Drive, Miami, Florida 33133

1. RULES

1.1 The event is governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of sailing*.

1.2 The following US Sailing Prescriptions **do not** apply RRS 63.1 and RRS 63.2. US prescription Appendix V, as amended by these sailing instructions applies.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETIORS

Changes to the sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board (ONB) at yachtscoring before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect. https://yachtscoring.com/notice_board_summary.cfm

3. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

3.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole at SALM.

3.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced by 'not less than 60 minutes' in RACE SIGNALS.

4. SCHEDULE OF RACES

4.1 Three (3) races are scheduled per day, with a maximum of nine (9) completed races.

4.2 **Thursday, January 27, 2022**

 1600-1900 Melges 24 & J70 Check-in @ SALM
 1600-1900 Bacardi Happy Hour @ SALM
 1730 Skippers Meeting

Friday, January 28, 2022

 0800-0900 Late Check-in @ SALM
 0900 Competitor's Briefing @SALM
 1055 Melges 24 First Warning Signal
 1100 J/70 First Warning Signal
 Post Racing Bacardi   Happy Hour @ SALM

Saturday, January 29 , 2022

 0900 Competitor's Briefing @ SALM
 1055 Melges 24 First Warning Signal
 1100 J/70 First Warning Signal
 Post Racing Bacardi Happy Hour @ SALM
 1700 Bacardi Complementary Dinner @ SALM

Sunday, January 30, 2022

 0900 Competitor's Briefing @ SALM
 1055 Melges 24 First Warning Signal
 1100 J/70 First Warning Signal
 1400 No warning signal will be made after this time.
 Post Racing Bacardi Happy Hour @ SALM
 1730 Prize Giving @ SALM
NOTE: A schedule with locations for check-in and additional information will
be available at: https://bacardiinvitational.com/

5. CLASS FLAGS

Class flags will be the class insignia on a white background.

6. RACING AREA

The racing area will be approximately 1 nm south/southwest of Biscayne
Channel Mark G'1' (Fl G 2.5s 5m "1").

7. COURSES

7.1 The courses will be windward-leeward with weather offsets and leeward gates. See Appendix, Courses.

7.2 No later than the warning signal the race committee will announce on VHF Channel 72 the approximate bearing and distance to the first mark.

8. MARKS

Mark 1 will be a green Quantum mark. Mark 1a will be a white Bacardi mark. Marks 2S/2P will be orange mark set bots. Finishing Mark will be a yellow mark set bot.

9. THE START

9.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee vessel at the starboard end and a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee vessel at the port end, or the course side of an inflatable mark.

9.2 A boat that does not start within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

9.3 If a boat's hull is identified on the course side of the starting line at the starting signal the race committee will attempt to broadcast her bow number or when preceded by "Sail #" her sail number. Failure to make a broadcast, the time or sequence, or for a boat to hear a broadcast will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

10. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

10.1 To change the next leg of the course the race committee will move the original mark or the finishing line to the new position, although it may not be in position before the leading boat begins the leg. The remainder of the course will be reconfigured.

10.2 Marks may be moved up to 10 degrees and 0.1 nm without accompanying RACE SIGNALS. The change will be announced on Channel 72 before the first boat reaches the mark although the changed mark may not yet be in place. This changes RRS 33 and RACE SIGNALS

10.3 No course will be shortened (Flag S) to less than 3 legs. This changes RRS 32.

11. THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on a race committee vessel at the starboard end and the course side of an inflatable mark at the port end. See Appendix Courses

12. TIME LIMITS

12.1 If no boat in a class has passed the first mark by 30 minutes, or no boat in a class sails the course and finishes by 90 minutes, the race shall be abandoned.

12.2 The finishing window is 15 minutes after the first boat in class sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the finishing window, and not subsequently penalized or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired without a hearing, one point more than the last boat to finish within the time limit. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.

13. PENALTY SYSTEM

13.1 RRS 44.1 is replaced by US Sailing prescription V1, PENALTY AT THE TIME OF AN INCIDENT.

13.2 US Sailing Prescription V2, POST RACE PENALTIES will be in affect with the penalty reduced to 25% for a fleet greater than twenty (20) boats or 20% for a fleet of thirty (30) boats or larger. Such penalties must be approved by the Protest Committee.

13.3 After a hearing, except for rules of part 2 and RRS 31, for rules that do not specify a penalty, the penalty will be at the discretion of the protest committee.

14. HEARING REQUESTS

14.1 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the signal boat docks, or 60 minutes after no more racing is signaled ashore, whichever is later. The protest time limit will be posted on the ONB at yachtscoring.

14.2 Hearing requests for protest and redress, reopening of hearings shall be submitted by logging into the 'Owner's Corner' at yachtscoring.

14.3 Scoring inquiries should be submitted on the main page of the event website at yachtscoring. Boats requesting to take a scoring penalty may fill out a form at the protest desk, located near the hanger at SALM.

14.4 Actions of the race committee, including intent to protest, requests for redress, retirements and boats reported taking a Scoring Penalty will be posted on the ONB prior to the protest time limit.

14.5 Notices will be posted no later than 10 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses, providing the time of the hearing. Parties, with their witnesses, should report to the protest desk located near the front of the hanger as SALM by that time.

15. SAFETY REGULATIONS

15.1 Boats will **CHECK-IN** prior to their first race of the day by sailing on starboard past the stern of the race committee vessel until the boat receives an acknowledging hail of the bow number.

15.2 A boat that withdraws or retires from a race for any reason shall notify the race committee by VHF or direct hail before departing the racing area., or if nor practicable by notifying the race committee by cell phone as soon as possible.

16. SCORING

16.1 If six or more races are successfully completed, there will be one race excluded in accordance with RRS A2.1.

16.2 RRS A2.1, the word 'series' is deleted and replaced by 'event'.

16.3 RRS A2.2 shall not apply.

16.4 RRS A5.2 is changed to: 'A boat that did not start, sail the course or finish, retired or was disqualified shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats that came to the starting area for that race.'

16.5 Points for Corinthian boats will be based on fleet scores.

16.6 A boat's overall score for the 2022 BACARDI INVITATIONAL WINTER SERIES will be the score for Event 3 added to her lowest score from Event 1 or 2

17. RACE COMMITTEE COMMUNICATION

17.1 The race committee will use VHF radio channel **72.**

17.2 The race committee cell phone number is: 361-816-9801.

Appendix – Courses

Course W4: Start-1-1a-2s/2p-1-1a-Finish

Not to scale

1a   **1**

2s/p

Start

Finish

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