

60th Annual Lightning Miami Midwinter Regatta
28, 29, 30 March 2018



Coral Reef Yacht Club, Coconut Grove, Florida, USA

NOTICE OF RACE

1. **RULES:**

- 1.1 The Organizing Authority is Coral Reef Yacht Club (CRYC).
- 1.2 The regatta is governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing (2017 to 2020).
- 1.3 ILCA Constitution, By Laws, and Document Governing all Lightning Class Sanctioned Regattas apply.

2. **ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY:**

- 2.1 Eligibility is defined by the International Lightning Class Association.
- 2.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing online registration on Yacht Scoring or Tuesday, 27 March, 1300-1600, and Wednesday, 28 March, 0800-0900 hours at CRYC.

3. **FEES:** The entry fee is \$285 USD. \$15 of the registration fee is contributed to the International Lightning Class.

4. **SCHEDULE:**

- 4.1 **Arrivals: March 27 and 28. If you plan to arrive before March 27, you will need to notify Bill Mauk (contact info below).**
- 4.2 **Registration: At Yacht Scoring (or access through ILCA Racing Calendar) or Tuesday, 27 March, 1300-1600, Wednesday, 28 March, 0800-0900 hours. Racing Packet pick up at Registration table at Coral Reef Yacht Club.**
- 4.3 **Competitors Meeting: Wednesday, 28 March, 0930 hours at CRYC.**
- 4.4 **Dates of racing and number of races scheduled: 10 Races Scheduled**
 - a. **Wednesday, 28 March: up to 3 races—Warning 1130 hours**
 - b. **Thursday, 29 March: up to 4 races—Warning 1030 hour**
 - c. **Friday, 30 March: up to 3 races--Warning 1030 hours, no warning after 14:00**
- 4.5 **Meals: Included in entry fee: Thursday, Steak Dinner (other options available)/cash bar; Friday, after racing—nachos/tacos CRYC poolside.**
- 4.6 **Breakfast: (CRYC charge card only): Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 0730 – 0900 hours, at the CRYC poolside Anglers Reef.**
- 4.7 **Departure: If you plan to take your boat from CRYC after March 30 you will need to notify Bill Mauk (contact info below).**

5. **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:** Midwinter Regatta Sailing Instructions will be available online and at registration.
6. **BERTHING BOATS:** There will be two venues for dry sailing your boats— CRYC and right next door at the US Sailing Center.
7. **PARKING:** Parking available at the U.S. Sailing Center with security from 8 AM to 8 P
8. **VENUE:** The regatta will be on Biscayne Bay near the entrance to Dinner Key Channel.
8. **THE COURSES:** The courses to be sailed may be windward-leeward, Gold Cup or Olympic.
9. **SCORING:**
 - 9.1 The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A of The Racing Rules of Sailing will be used
 - 9.2 Ten (10) races are scheduled. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
 - 9.3 A boat's worst score will be discarded if six or more races have been completed.
 - 9.4 Should conditions make it impossible to complete the scheduled number of races, the regatta will be terminated and the results based on the races completed and scored.
10. **SCORNG PENALTY:**
 10. 1 RRS/US prescription Appendix T will apply.
 10. 2 Per Appendix T1, RRS 44.1 and Lightning Documents Governing Article VIII-9 are changed to say: "A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while racing. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than the starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two Turns Penalty."
11. **RRS 41 Outside Help is modified with the addition of "(e) an ILCA and OA approved and designated coach boat is allowed on the course and to primarily coach boats that are identified by a backstay streamer. No boat breaks a rule if they receive unsolicited input from the ILCA coach. The ILCA coach is designated by this rule to coach all boats and individual team coaches are not authorized by this change. This change also modifies Document Governing Article VIII - Racing Conditions, Section Support Boats."**
12. **RRS 62.1 Redress is modified with the addition of "(e) A competitor may not base a request for redress on a claim that an action by an official boat was improper. The protest committee may decide to consider giving redress in such circumstances but only if it believes that an official boat, including a coach boat, may have seriously interfered with a competing boat."**
13. **RADIO COMMUNICATION:** Use of hand held VHF radios will be required for communication from the Race Committee to competitors on a predetermined channel to be identified in the Sailing Instructions. The Race Committee intends to use VHF radio to identify OCS (On Course Side of the line) boats after starts and otherwise communicate with the fleet on the water. Failure to receive a hail, for a hail to be made, the order of hails made, or receive other communications to the fleet shall not be cause for redress.
14. **PRIZES:** Prizes will be given to skipper and crew for first through fifth places.

15. **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.
16. **FURTHER INFORMATION:** Bill Mauk, ILCA VP---Telephone: 305-741-6285, Email: billmauk@gmail.com; Coral Reef Yacht Club---Fax: 305-854-5911, Address: 2484 South Bayshore, Miami 33133, Website: www.coralreefyachtclub.org