



**NOTICE OF RACE**  
**2.4 Meter**  
**Western Hemisphere**  
**Championship**  
**Port Charlotte,**  
**Florida USA**  
**February 20 - 23, 2018**



**1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY**

The US 2.4mR Class Association, US Sailing and with host Charlotte Harbor Yacht Club.

**2. RULES**

- 2.1 The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 2.2 Where the Notice of Race conflicts with the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing instructions shall apply.
- 2.3 This is an "Open Event" boats sailed (2.4mR design rule) and open for AB & Para sailors.

**3. ADVERTISING**

- 3.1 There are no advertising restrictions.

**4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 4.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the International 2.4mR Class. All participants shall be current members of their National Class Association. All US competitors must be current members of US Sailing. Entrants can also be a member of the ICA if their country has no NCA.
- 4.2 Competitors with Physical Impairments with current Classification as documented on the US Para Sailing and/or World Sailing Functional Classification Master List shall be scored for both Overall and Para Sailing standings. The Host Organization shall cross eligibility through primary source verification.
- 4.3 Participants that may have physical impairments but not listed on the above referenced Master Lists, may be eligible for inclusion in the Para Sailing Standings by applying for "Classification Minimally Para / Status Provisional" to the Host Organization subject to documentation review and functional assessment by a US Sailing National Classifier prior to the event. See the Registration website for details and the application form.
- 4.4 Eligible boats may register on line at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=4552> or by contacting Martin Holland at [martinh@LDreeves.com](mailto:martinh@LDreeves.com) or 941-286-0722 by Feb. 19, 2018.

- 4.5 A boat is not registered until its regatta fee is paid and proof of insurance is confirmed.
- 4.6 All participants registered in this regatta are welcome to register and participate in the 2.4mR CanAm Series regatta on February 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> for an additional fee. Eligible boats may register on line at: <http://www.regattatech.com/events/CHYC/24MCanAmSeries18> or by contacting Martin Holland at [martinh@LDreeves.com](mailto:martinh@LDreeves.com) or 941-286-0722.

## 5. REQUIRED FEES

- 5.1 Entry Fees: Entry: \$175.00 USD
- 5.2 Late entry fee an additional \$ 50.00 USD (after Jan. 26, 2018)  
Payment may also be made in U.S. Dollars, or Checks drawn on a U.S. bank. Make checks payable to Charlotte Harbor Yacht Club.
- 5.3 Entry fee for the CanAm Regatta #4 is \$110.00 if registered in the Western Hemisphere Championship.  
Payment may also be made in U.S. Dollars, or Checks drawn on a U.S. bank. Make checks payable to Charlotte Harbor Yacht Club.
- 5.4 US Para Sailing "Provisional Status" Functional Classification – No Fee.
- 5.5 Western Hemisphere Championship Clinic – No Fee.

## 6. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 6.1 Registration check in and Para Classification Status validation will be open on:  
Monday from 1400 – 1700 hrs February 19, 2018  
Tuesday from 0800 – 0900 hrs February 20, 2018  
Tuesday Clinic w/ Dee Smith Start 0915 February 20, 2018.  
Late entries will be accepted after Jan. 26, 2018
- 6.2 Launching will be available starting on Monday February 19, 2018 at 0830 – 1700 hours each day thru Friday February 23, 2018
- 6.3 Competitors meeting: 0915 hours 02/21/2018
- 6.4 Scheduled time of warning signal and planned number of races

| Date                 | Time of First Warning | # of Races Planned |
|----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Tuesday 02/20/19/18  | Clinic Start 0915     | CHYC Deck          |
| Wednesday 02/21/2018 | 1030 hrs              | 4 races            |
| Thursday 02/22/2018  | 1030 hrs              | 4 races            |
| Friday 02/23/2018    | 1100 hours            | 3 races            |

No warning signal after 1530 hours on Friday 02/23/2018

- 6.5 Social schedule (Competitors meal on Thursday evening & Continental Breakfast are included in the registration fee)
- Wednesday: Continental Breakfast 0800, after Clinic 1430 Cash Bar,
  - Thursday Continental Breakfast 0800, after racing 1430 Cash Bar,
  - Friday Continental Breakfast 0800, after racing 1430 Cash Bar Dinner 1800 (estimated) Awards Ceremony at Dinner
- Additional dinners will be available for \$25.00 (includes Continental breakfast)

## **7. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

7.1 Measurement checks and inspections may be made at any time at the discretion and direction of the Race Committee.

## **8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Preliminary sailing instructions will be available at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenue.cfm?eID=4552> and at [www.us24meter.org](http://www.us24meter.org) by Feb 1, 2018. Final sailing instructions will be available at registration.

## **9. VENUE**

The racing area will be Charlotte Harbor, south of Charlotte Harbor Yacht Club.

## **10. The Courses**

The courses will be windward-leeward windward or a double windward-leeward with a race duration of approximately 45 minutes.

## **11. SCORING**

11.1 The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A will apply.

11.2 Two leader boards shall be posted:

11.2.1 Overall Standings.

11.2.2 Para Sailing Standings.

11.3 There will be up to 11 races sailed, of which 3 are required to be completed to constitute the series.

11.4 When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores. When 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score

## **12. COMMUNICATION AND SUPPORT BOATS**

12.1 VHF radios are recommended as the Race Committee may broadcast information on courses, premature starters, or safety instructions on Channel 68.

## **13. BERTHING AND HAULOUT RESTRICTIONS**

There will be no haul out restrictions.

## **14. PRIZES**

Prizes will be given to the top 3 overall finishers and the 3 top Para Sailors.

## **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 or during, or after the regatta.

## **16. INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of US\$300,000 per occurrence or the equivalent.

## 17. FURTHER INFORMATION

17.1 For regatta information contact Martin Holland at [martinh@LDreeves.com](mailto:martinh@LDreeves.com) or 941-286-0722

17.2 Hotel Information:

Microtel Inn & Suites – 1.1 miles  
4056 Tamiami Trail  
Port Charlotte, FL 33952  
(941) 624-6339  
<http://www.microtelinn.com>

PG Waterfront Hotel & Suite - 3.2 miles  
300 Retta Esplanade  
Punta Gorda, Florida 33950  
(941) 639-1165  
pgwaterfront.com

Four Points by Sheraton - 3.7 miles  
33 Tamiami Trail  
Punta Gorda, FL 33950  
(941) 637-6700  
<http://www.starwoodhotels.com/fourpoints/index.html>