



## **2011 AUDI MELGES 20 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP**

Miami, FL. USA (Biscayne Bay)

Hosted by Coconut Grove Sailing Club  
Supported by Shake-A-Leg Miami  
and  
Melges Performance Sailboats

November 10 -13, 2011

### **NOTICE OF RACE**

#### **1.0 VENUE | AUTHORITY**

- 1.1 The Coconut Grove Sailing Club, in conjunction with the International Audi Melges 20 Class Association (IAM20CA), invites all members and associates of the IAM20CA to participate in the 2011 Audi Melges 20 National Championship. The IAM20CA is the Organizing Authority and the Coconut Grove Sailing Club is the host.
- 1.2 On-shore functions (except for the trophy presentation, trailer storage and launching), will be at the Coconut Grove Sailing Club (CGSC) located at 2990 S. Bayshore Dr., Coconut Grove, FL. 33133. Phone: 305) 444-4571.
- 1.3 All boats must be in the water by 1700 on the day before racing begins.
- 1.4 In the water dockage and moorage during the three regattas will be at Coconut Grove Sailing Club with any overflow at Shake-A-Leg. An advance CGSC Mooring Reservation notice is posted on the Audi Melges 20 Class website. Advance mooring reservations are recommended.  
  
The Coconut Grove Sailing Club launch service to its moorings operates 24 hours per day. Dock Office monitors VHF 78.  
  
Once the dock and mooring space is full at CGSC, all other boats will dock at Shake-A-Leg.
- 1.5 Trailer storage and boat launch & haulout facilities shall be at the Shake-A-Leg Miami facility located at 2620 S. Bayshore Dr., Coconut Grove, FL. 33133 Phone: (305) 858-5550. (Shake-A-Leg Miami is 1/2 mile from the Coconut Grove Sailing Club.)

Each boat owner shall complete a Shake-A-Leg Miami Storage application and send it to Shake-A-Leg Miami along with the required fee as directed on the application. The Shake-A-Leg Miami storage application will be posted on the Audi Melges 20 Website.

1.6 The National Championship Trophy Presentation will be at Shake-A-Leg.

1.7 **Websites:**

<b>International Audi Melges 20 Class Association:</b>	<a href="http://www.melges20.com">www.melges20.com</a>
<b>Coconut Grove Sailing Club:</b>	<a href="http://www.cgsc.org">www.cgsc.org</a>
<b>Shake-A-Leg Miami:</b>	<a href="http://www.shakealegmiami.org">www.shakealegmiami.org</a>

**2.0 RULES**

2.1 The Regattas will be governed by the “rules” as defined in the Current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

2.2 The following Prescriptions of US Sailing will apply: Rules 61.4, 68, 76.1, 76.3 and Appendix F only.

2.3 Advertising is permitted according to IAM20CA Rules. The Organizing Authority may require all participating boats to display sponsor flags and/or stickers.

2.5 All competing boats shall carry a hand held VHF radio for safety purposes and Race Committee communication. The Race Committee VHF communication channel shall be posted on the Official Notice Board and announced at the Skipper’s Meeting.

2.6 Where there is a conflict between this NOR and the Sailing Instructions (SI’s), the SI’s shall prevail. This changes RRS 63.7.

**3.0 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

3.1 The 2011 Audi Melges 20 National Championship is open to all boats of the Audi Melges 20 Class Association that meet the obligations of the Class Rules.

3.2 All boat owners and alternate helmsmen must be in compliance with Class Rule C.2.4.

3.3 All competitors shall be in compliance with the ISAF Eligibility Rules, ISAF Sailor Classification Code and Melges 20 Class Rules. As per Class Rule C.2.5., IM20CA delegates to a Classification Code Committee, the authority in determining a helmsman's approval within the spirit of the Class Rules.

3.4 All boats that were entered in the abandoned August Nationals in Newport, RI are automatically entered in this event. Boats entered in the August Nationals that will not be competing in the CGSC Nationals are requested to so advise Joy Dunigan (see NOR 18.3 for contact information). Additional boats may enter the by going to the Audi Melges 20 website and completing the 2011 Audi Melges 20 National Championship Entry Form, including the fees section.

3.5 Entries and fees must be received from these additional boats no later than November 1, 2011. Late entries will only be accepted with the approval of the Regatta Chairman.

3.6 On Site Registration: Registration, including presenting Proof of Insurance and the required Class Forms to the registration staff and receiving event materials, must be completed by 1730 on the day prior to the start of racing.

The required IAM20CA forms are:

- Approved Helmsman Application Form, per Audi Melges 20 Class Rules (Appendix 8)

- Sail Declaration Form, per Melges 20 Class Rules (Appendix 2)

#### **4.0 ENTRY FEES**

- 4.1 The Entry Fee for boats not entered in the abandoned Newport Nationals is \$300. No additional entry fee is required for boats that were entered in the Newport Nationals.
- 4.2 The Entry Fee includes moorage or dockage at CGSC, appetizers for skippers and crews served in conjunction with the Skippers' Meeting on Thursday, and for appetizers for skippers and crews after racing on Friday and Saturday and at the awards presentation on Sunday. In addition, there will be a free keg, soft drinks and water at the awards presentation.

#### **5.0 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

- 5.1 Thursday, November 10:
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| Launching:          | 0900 to 1700, Shake-A-Leg Miami (S-A-L)            |
| Registration:       | 1500 to 1730 (CGSC)                                |
| Skippers Meeting:   | 1800 (CGSC)  |
| Opening Night Party | 1830 (CGSC) with appetizers for Skippers and Crews |
- Friday & Saturday, November 11 and 12:
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| Racing:       | 1100 - First Warning                    |
| After Racing: | Social gathering with appetizers (CGSC) |
- Sunday, November 13:
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| Racing: | 1100 - First Warning   |
| Awards: | ASAP after racing concludes, with appetizers (Shake-A-Leg Miami) |
- 5.2 On the final day, the Initial Warning Signal for the final race will not be made after 1400 hours. The Warning Signal for a start following one or more General Recalls may be after 1400. It is the intention of the Race Committee to run as many races as practicable on each day.

#### **6.0 MEASUREMENTS**

- 6.1 All competitors shall conform to Class measurement rules. The OA and/or a Class Association representative may measure or inspect any boat and/or her equipment and sails before, between, or after the races, for compliance to Class Rules.

#### **7.0 HAUL-OUT AND MOORAGE RESTRICTIONS**

- 7.1 All boats must be launched by 1700 on the day prior to the start of racing.
- 7.2 All boats shall remain in the water until the end of racing, unless granted prior written permission by the Principle Race Officer or the Regatta Chairman.

#### **8.0 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 8.1 The Sailing instructions will be distributed at registration, and may also be available in advance on the Class Website.

#### **9.0 COURSES**

- 9.1 The race courses will be a Windward–Leeward configuration.

**10.0 RACES / SCORING**

- 10.1 In accordance with IAM20CA Rule 1.3.1(c), the Low Point Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 10.2 Up to eight (8) races are scheduled. Three (3) races must be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 10.3 When fewer than six (6) races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores. When six or more races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. This changes RRS A2.

**11.0 PRIZES**

- 11.1 Prizes will be awarded to the top five finishers overall. The winner will be named the 2011 Audi Melges 20 U.S. National Champion, and receive the National Championship trophy.

**12.0 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 12.1 The safety of a boat and her entire management shall be the sole and inescapable responsibility of the owner/owners' representative. Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. The race organizers (Organizing Authority, Race Committee, Protest Committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

**13.0 MANDATORY INSURANCE**

- 13.1 Each boat is required to hold adequate insurance including third-party liability insurance, and it is the owner or owners' representative's sole and inescapable responsibility to ensure that the insurance is in place and is adequate prior to participating in this event. Proof of insurance shall be provided as part of the on-site registration.

**14.0 SUPPORT BOATS**

- 14.1 Support boats shall register with the Registration staff prior to the Skippers Meeting. All support boats are required to monitor the prescribed VHF channel during the regatta. Additional support boat Instructions will be stated in the Sailing Instructions.

**15.0 LUNCHES**

- 15.1 Lunches for race days may be purchased from CGSC on the Entry Form or at Registration for each regatta. For further information, contact Richard Etkin, CGSC at: [richard.etkin@gmail.com](mailto:richard.etkin@gmail.com).

**16.0 SERIES CLOTHING**

See [www.melges20.com](http://www.melges20.com) for details.

**17.0 AMENDMENTS TO THIS NOTICE**

- 17.1 The Organizing Authority reserves the right to amend this Notice. Amendments will be posted on the official notice board at CGSC and may be posted on the Melges 20 website prior to the event.

## 18.0 WEBSITE / INFORMATION

- 18.1 The Audi Melges 20 Class website ([www.melges20.com](http://www.melges20.com)) will have information, the Notice of Race, Entry Forms, Sailing Instructions, local housing information for Miami, visiting boat and trailer storage details (Shake-A-Leg Miami), Coconut Grove Sailing Club information, and more.
- 18.2 Additional information concerning the venue can be obtained on the Coconut Grove Sailing Club website ([www.cgsc.org](http://www.cgsc.org)).
- 18.3 Further information regarding the 2011 Audi Melges 20 National Championship may also be obtained from:

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Phone: 262-275-1110  
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OR

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## 19.0 Hotel Information

- 19.1 There are a number of nearby hotels. Please check the Audi Melges 20 Class website ([www.melges20.com](http://www.melges20.com)) for hotel information.