



NOTICE OF RACE

Star Sailors League Final

Nassau Bahamas

November 28th to December 3rd 2016

1. Rules

The Regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) and the rules of the International Star Class Yacht Racing Association (STCR). The Organizing Authority is The Nassau Yacht Club.

- 1.1 No national prescriptions shall apply.
- 1.2 Decisions of the International Jury will be final in accordance with RRS 70.5.
- 1.3 As recommended by the Star Sailors League (SSL), pumping, rocking and ooching will be permitted when the wind speed exceeds 6 knots measured at deck level on a race committee boat. This changes STCR rule 35, under RRS 87.
- 1.4 RRS Addendum Q, Umpired Fleet Racing will apply. RSS Q 1.2 (e) will be changed such that rules 62.1 (b) & (d) will be deleted only for the quarter-final, semi-final and final. The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions.
- 1.5 RRS A4.1 will be changed to provide that a boat failing to check in prior to the warning signal will be scored the same as a boat not starting in that race without a hearing.

2. Advertising

- 2.1 Boats may be required to display Event Advertising on the forward part of the hull.
- 2.2 Boats will be required to display flags and name of the crew on the hull or on the sails

3. Eligibility and Entry

- 3.1 Entries eligible in accordance with the rules of the Star Sailors League (SSL) may compete.

4. Fees

- 4.1 There is no entry fee.



5. Schedule

- 5.1 Boats will be available in Nassau from Saturday November 26, 2016
- 5.2 *Monday November 28th*
 - 5.2.1 Weighing and picking up of the sailing instructions from 0900 to 1100
 - 5.2.2 Sail measurement and affixing of stickers from 0800 to 1800
 - 5.2.3 Opening ceremony
- 5.3 *Tuesday November 29th*
 - 5.3.1 Weighing from 0900 to 1100
 - 5.3.2 Qualifying round. First warning signal at 1300. Maximum 2 races back-to-back
- 5.4 *Wednesday November 30th*
 - 5.4.1 Qualifying round. First warning signal at 1100. Maximum of 4 races back-to-back
- 5.5 *Thursday December 1st*
 - 5.5.1 Qualifying round. First warning signal at 1100. Maximum of 4 races back-to-back
- 5.6 *Friday December 2nd*
 - 5.6.1 Qualifying round. First warning signal at 1100. Maximum of 4 races back-to-back
 - 5.6.2 Announcement of the qualified teams
- 5.7 *Saturday December 3rd*
 - 5.7.1 Final races. First warning signal at 1100
 - 5.7.2 Medals ceremony following the return of all boats and competitors to the Yacht Club
 - 5.7.3 Prize giving ceremony and regatta dinner at 1900

6. Measurement

- 6.1 Each participating boat shall have a valid Measurement Certificate in the current owner's name, and Weight Certificate.
- 6.2 Crews shall demonstrate compliance with crew weight limits in accordance with STCR 31.1.3 prior to Tuesday November 29 at 1100. Crews may be re-weighed during the event at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.
- 6.3 Bow numbers corresponding to the skipper's SSL ranking will be given to each participating boat. They shall be affixed to the hull according to the Sailing Instructions.

7. Sailing Instructions

- 7.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available on Monday November 28.

8. Venue

- 8.1 Racing will be conducted east of New Providence. A map of the racing area will be available at registration



9. Courses

- 9.1 Courses will be according to STCR 34 and to the modifications mentioned in the Sailing Instructions

10. Regatta Format

- 10.1 The regatta will consist of a qualifying round and a final round.
- 10.2 Qualifying round: maximum eleven (11) races ending on Friday December 2nd. The winner of the qualifying round qualifies directly for the final. The crew finishing 2nd in the qualifying round qualifies directly for the semi-final. The crews finishing the qualifying round from 3rd to 10th place qualify for the quarter-final.
- 10.3 Quarter-final: One (1) race. The crews ranked 3rd to 10th in the qualifying round compete in the quarter-final. The top five (5) crews qualify for the semi-final.
- 10.4 Semi-final: One (1) race. The runner-up of the qualifying round and the top 5 crews of the quarter-final compete in the semi-final. The top three (3) crews qualify for the final.
- 10.5 Final: One (1) race. The winner of the qualifying round and the top 3 crews of the semi-final compete in the final. First crew to finish will be the winner of the event.

11. Scoring

- 11.1 For the qualifying round, the Low Point Scoring System, RRS A, will apply, modified so that each series score will be the total of her races scores with her worst score excluded if more than three (3) races are completed.

12. Berthing

- 12.1 Boats shall be at The Nassau Yacht Club commencing at 0900 hours on November 28th, 2016 until the conclusion of racing.

13. Haul-out Restrictions

- 13.1 Boats will be hauled each day at the Nassau Yacht Club and kept on their trailers.

14. Prizes

- 14.1 The "Sir Roland Symonette Trophy" will be awarded to the winner of the final round.
- 14.2 Prize money will be given to all crews in accordance with SSL rules.



15. Disclaimer

- 15.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority shall require each competitor to sign a waiver for loss, damage or injury to persons or property occurring in conjunction with the regatta or on the property of The Nassau Yacht Club. The Organizing Authority, their members, employees, officers and/or agents shall not be responsible for any loss, damage or injury that may occur to person or property whether ashore or at sea as a consequence of the participation of any boat.

16. Insurance

- 16.1 Boats sailing in this regatta must be adequately insured against third party liability for racing risks. Proof of same may be requested.

Information for Competitors (Not part of Notice of Race)

1. General Information

For more information please contact:

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2. Accommodation for Competitors

Competitors will be provided with hotel accommodation (one double room per team) in Nassau from November 26th through December 4th at the expense of the SSL.

3. Entry Requirements for The Bahamas

Before travelling, competitors are advised to make themselves aware of the most up to date visa, health and other requirements for entry to The Bahamas, which differ based upon citizenship and/or country of residence. The Ministry of Tourism provides helpful information at:

<http://www.bahamas.com/entry-requirements>