



2009 Rolex Miami OCR
Miami FL USA
25-31 January, 2009



NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing. The rules for the Women's Match Racing event will include Appendix C.
- 1.2. The provisions of the ISAF Sailing World Cup Notice of Series will apply. If there is a conflict between the Notice of Series and this Notice of Race, this notice of race will take precedence over the Notice of Series.
- 1.3. The prescriptions of US SAILING do not apply, except the US SAILING prescriptions to rules 68, 76.1, and added rule 76.3 which are stated in full in paragraph NOR 23 below.
- 1.4. Appendix P, Immediate Penalties for Breaking Rule 42, will apply.
- 1.5. This will be a Sonar Class Appendix B event.
- 1.6. The 2.4 mRs will sail under Appendix K of the class rules.
- 1.7. SKUD class rules C.2.1(d) and C3.2 (e) do not apply .
- 1.8. Olympic crew weight regulations for the Men's Keelboat and Women's Match Racing events will be in effect, but modified so that there will be only one weigh-in, completed at registration.
- 1.9. Umpired fleet racing will be used for the Medal race of each series. The version of ISAF Addendum Q ([http://www.sailing.org/tools/documents/addendumq-\[520\].doc](http://www.sailing.org/tools/documents/addendumq-[520].doc)) current at the time of the event will apply to those races.
- 1.10. Addendum Q changes the definition Finish and rules 19.1, 31.2, 44.1, 44.2, 60, 61, 62, 63, 65, 66 and B2.1(c). Any change to Addendum Q by ISAF may affect this list of rules changed.

2. **ADVERTISING:** This is a category C event in accord with ISAF Regulation 20. Competitors may be required to carry advertising for ISAF, ISAF Sailing World Cup, and event sponsors.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1. This regatta is open to the following events chosen for the 2012 Olympic Sailing Competition and the 2012 Paralympic Sailing Competition:

EVENT	ENTRY QUOTA	EVENT	ENTRY QUOTA
Men's One Person Dinghy	150	Men's Keelboat	80
Women's One Person Dinghy	120	Women's Match Racing	24
Men's Two Person Dinghy	120	Men's Windsurfer	120
Women's Two Person Dinghy	80	Women's Windsurfer	80
Heavyweight Dinghy	80	Skiff	100
Single-Person Paralympic		Two-Person Paralympic	
Three-Person Paralympic			

- 3.2. If the number of entries exceeds the above entry quotas, entries will be limited by nation according to the 2009 ISAF Sailing World Cup Notice of Series, paragraph 4.5.
- 3.3. In the Women's Match Race event, 24 teams will be invited. There will be a limit of 2 teams per nation, except for the host nation, which will get 4 invitations.
- 3.4. The Organizing Authority may adopt any changes to events, equipment, or formats that are adopted by ISAF for the 2012 Olympic Games or Paralympic Games.

- 3.5. Olympic Gender requirements will apply for each Olympic Event. Men and mixed teams are not eligible to compete in Women's events. Women and mixed teams are not eligible to compete in Men's events.
- 3.6. Class eligibility rules apply.
- 3.7. In the Paralympic Single –Person and Two-Person events, only IFDS classified sailors will be eligible to compete.
- 3.8. In the Paralympic One-Person event, both IFDS and able bodied sailors will be eligible.
- 3.9. Online registration is required for both competitors and coaches, and will be available on the US SAILING web site by 1 December 2008. (www.rolexmiamiocr.org) No other form of entry will be accepted. Entries must be received and payment accepted by 19 January 2009. **No entries** will be accepted after 19 January 2009. **Entries will not be accepted at the regatta venue.** Confirmed entries will be posted on the event web site.

4. CLASSIFICATION: Disabled sailors shall present proof of their classification status at on-site registration on Sunday, 25 January 2009. There will be no on-site classification.

5. FEES

5.1. Payment shall be in US Dollars in the form of cash, traveler's check, a check drawn on a US bank, or by credit card. The entry fee is non-refundable.

	Registration Fee
Single Handed Classes	US\$250
Double Handed Classes	US\$400
Triple Handed Classes	US\$500
Women's Match Racing	US\$2500
Coaches	US\$75

5.2. Checks should be made payable to US SAILING and mailed to US SAILING PO Box 1260 Portsmouth RI 02871 USA. Check shall be postmarked on or before 14 January 2009.

6. QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES:

- 6.1. If any event has a large number of entries, the Organizing Authority may divide that fleet. Divided fleets will sail a qualifying series, a semi-final series and a medal race.
- 6.2. The top ten of each Olympic event except Women's Keelboat Match Racing will sail a Medal Race on the last day.
- 6.3. The Women's Keelboat Match Race event will consist of round robin racing, followed by quarter-final, semi-final, and final knock out series. The Organizing Authority may supply the boats and may change the format, based on entries and equipment availability.

7. SCHEDULE

7.1. Registration: All competitors and coaches shall complete on-site registration at the US SAILING Center-Miami on Sunday, 25 January 2009 between 1100 hrs and 1800 hrs. All competitors must have a valid entry, received by US SAILING by 19 January, 2009

7.2. Dates of Racing: Opening Series racing for all events will begin on Monday, 26 January 2009 and continue each day until Friday 30 January, 2009. The top 10 placed boats in each Olympic event except Women's Match Racing will advance to a Medal race. Medal races for each Olympic event except Women's Match Racing, will be held on Saturday, 31 January, 2009. There will be no other racing on Saturday. There are no scheduled lay days.

7.3. The number of races scheduled for each event is

	Total	Days 1-5	Day 6
Men's Keelboat	10	2	1 Medal
Women's Keelboat Match Racing	See paragraph 7.2		
M & W One Person Dinghy, M & W Two Person Dinghy, Heavyweight Dinghy, M & W Windsurfer	12	2 or 3	1 Medal

Skiff	15	3	1 Medal
Paralympic One Person event, Paralympic Two-person event	12	2 or 3	
Paralympic Three-person event	12	2 or 3	

- 7.4. The scheduled warning time for each class will be no earlier than 1000 hrs each day but may be later for some classes on some days. There will be no warning signal for any class after 1700 hrs on Friday, 30 January, 2009. The scheduled warning time for the first Medal race will be 1000 hrs on Saturday, 31 January, 2009. There will be no warning signal for any class after 1600 hrs on Saturday, 31 January, 2009.
- 7.5. Locations of boat storage and launching information for each event will be posted at the regatta web site (www.rolexmiamiocr.org) by December 15, 2008.
8. MEASUREMENT:
- 8.1. Each boat shall have a valid measurement certificate.
- 8.2. Before final entry boats and equipment may be subject to equipment control including each sail authorized by Class Rules and/or Class Championship Regulations shall be stamped by the Measurement Committee.
9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS: Sailing instructions will be available at registration on 25 January 2009.
10. VENUE: Racing will be on Biscayne Bay.
11. THE COURSES: The courses will be Windward/Leeward or Trapezoid. Any other courses adopted by ISAF for the 2012 Olympic & Paralympic Sailing Competitions may be included at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.
12. PENALTY SYSTEM:
- 12.1. The Two-turns penalty under rules 44.1 and 44.2 will apply unless the class rules state that the One-turn penalty under rules 44.1 and 44.2 will apply.
- 12.2. Decisions of the International Jury, approved by ISAF, will be final as provided in rule 70.4.
13. SCORING
- 13.1. At least 5 races shall be completed to constitute a series.
- 13.2. When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the sum of her race scores. When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst score.
- 13.3. In any race sailed under ISAF Addendum Q, a boat's score shall be double the number of points specified in appendix A4.1 and the score for that race shall not be excluded under rule 89.3b from the series score.
- 13.4. For boats with a score in the medal race, ties in the regatta score are broken by the medal race score. This changes Appendix A.
14. SUPPORT BOATS: Each coach/support boat must be identified by national flag, 3 letter country code, or ISCA flag at all times while on the water.
15. BERTHING: Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the boat park or marina.
16. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS: Sonars and the boats for Women's Match Racing shall not be hauled out during the regatta, except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.
17. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS: Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around keel boats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.
18. RADIO COMMUNICATION: A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communication not available to all boats. This restriction applies to mobile telephones.
19. PRIZES: Medals will be awarded to the top 3 boats in each Olympic event and Paralympic event.

20. **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY:** Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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.
21. **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.
22. **FURTHER INFORMATION:** For further information on hotels, shipping, boat storage, and other events see the web site at www.rolexmiamiocr.org , or contact rolexmiamiocr@ussailing.org.
23. **US SAILING PRESCRIPTIONS THAT APPLY:**
 - 23.1. **Rule 68 DAMAGES – US Sailing prescribes that:**
 - a. A boat that retires from a race of accepts a penalty does not, by that action alone, admit liability for damages.
 - b. A protest committee shall find facts and make decisions only in compliance with the *rules*. No protest committee shall adjudicate any claim for damages. Such a claim is subject to the jurisdiction of the courts.
 - c. A basic purpose of the *rules* is to prevent contact between boats. By participating in an event governed by the *rules* a boat agrees that responsibility for damages arising from any breach of the *rules* shall be based on fault as determined by application of the *rules* , and that she shall not be governed by the legal doctrine of ‘assumption of risk’ for monetary damages resulting from contact with other boats.
 - 23.2. **Rule 76.1 EXCLUSION OF BOATS OR COMPETITORS – US SAILING prescribes that an organizing authority or race committee shall not reject or cancel the entry of a boat or exclude a competitor eligible under the notice of race and sailing instructions for an arbitrary or capricious reason or for reason of race, color, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, or age.**
 - 23.3. **Rule 76.3 – US SAILING prescribes that a boat whose entry is rejected or cancelled or a competitor who is excluded from a race or series shall be entitled to a hearing, conducted by the protest committee under rules 63.2, 63.3, 63.4, and 63.6.**