



# 2016 ISAF Sailing World Cup Miami

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## Information for Competitors #1

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This information is intended to help you plan for the 2016 ISAF SWC Miami. The Notice of Race, Sailing Instructions, and other official documents will govern. This information may change; please check back for further information.

The 2016 SWC Miami will use the “old” quota and allocation system. For 2017, we intend to adopt the new SWC format with limited quotas and qualifying regattas, but for 2016 we will use the old system for the following reasons; (1) contract with ISAF, (2) 49er, 49er FX and Nacra 17 World Championships in Clearwater, Florida in February 2016, and (3) SWC Miami will be the continental Olympic qualifier for North and South America, respectively.

### Maximum Quota

Laser	100
Radial	80
Finn	50
470-M	60
470-W	40
49er	80
49erFX	80
RS:X-M	60
RS:X-W	40
Nacra 17	80
2.4mR	40
SKUD18	20
Sonar	20

**Minimum Quota** 1 entry in each class, due to the regatta being a continental Olympic Qualifier.

### Quota Allocation System

Online entry will open Friday, October 30, 2015 5:00pm GMT (1:00pm EST). Entries will be open, not first-come first-serve, from October 30, 2015 to December 4, 2015. The Priority Entry Deadline will be at 5:00pm GMT (1:00pm EST) on Friday, December 4, 2015. Entries must be paid in full by the deadline in order to be considered. If the maximum quota has been exceeded by the deadline, then every nation gets one entry, then two, then three, etc. in order of their highest-ranked competitor. If the quota is not exceeded by the priority deadline, then entries will continue to be accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis until the quota is reached. Every nation is guaranteed at least one place in each class if they submit a paid entry prior to the priority deadline. Last year there was an error in the NoR that allowed each nation to get one place even after the deadline, but that will not be the case in 2016. If you enter and pay before the priority deadline, you are likely to be accepted in virtually every class. Do not wait until the last minute to submit your entry and payment. If you have payment problems or online issues at the last minute your entry will not be valid.

The quota allocations are much more likely to affect athletes from USA and CAN in classes such as Laser, Radial, RS:X M and RS:X W because USA and CAN typically seek five or more entries in each class. If the quota system is in effect at the priority deadline, then each nation determines which athletes fill the allocated places. There will not be a qualifying regatta, although some nations may designate an event for their own internal qualification.

### **Format**

Traditional format with qualifying groups (depending on fleet size) followed by gold and silver fleets and a final Medal Race. Opening Series: Monday through Friday with Medal Race on Saturday. Equipment Inspection: Friday, Saturday and Sunday prior to the event.

### **Boat Parks**

The Miami International Boat Show is moving to the property between the Miami Marine Stadium and the Miami Rowing Center that we have used for many years. As of now, that space will not be available for training, containers or regatta venue. The good news is that the City of Miami is currently completing the new Regatta Park and Expo Lawn in Coconut Grove where the old Convention Center was located. However, the floating launch ramps will not be completed by January 2016, so we are planning to use the adjacent Seminole Boat Ramp.

US Sailing Center: Laser, Radial, 470 M&W, maybe Finn

Regatta Park: 49er, 49erFX, Nacra 17, maybe Finn

Coconut Grove Sailing Club: RS:X M&W

Shake a Leg 2.4mR, SKUD18, Sonar

### **Training**

The entry fees for the 2016 SWC Miami and the MLK weekend regattas will include training for the period of 15-31 January 2016. There will be a daily training fee for boats arriving prior to 15 January or staying after 31 January 2016 at each boat park. More information to follow.

### **Container shipping**

We may be able to accept one container per nation somewhere near Regatta Park, but it will not be possible to accept all the containers onsite. We are searching for an offsite location, but it will likely be some distance away, and will not be water accessible. You may have to send containers to a warehouse for unpacking. Plan road trailers accordingly. Outbound restrictions will be similar. More information to follow.

We strongly encourage the use of ATA Carnets to clear customs. Neither US Sailing, host clubs, nor the Organizing Authority will act as consignee for inbound boats and equipment, but you should not need a consignee if you are using an ATA carnet.

### **Other Events**

Jan 16-18 MLK weekend classes and venues to be determined

Jan 24-20 ISAF SWC Miami

Feb 9-14 World Championships 49er, 49erFX, Nacra 17 Clearwater, Florida

**Charter Boats, Accommodations** - See website for contacts

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