

NOTICE OF RACE
TSS Midwinter Championship Invitational
--A Multi-Class Event--
March 5 and 6, 2022

Tampa Sailing Squadron, 1250 Apollo Beach Blvd., Apollo Beach, FL

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Tampa Sailing Squadron (TSS) is the organizing authority (OA). The OA website is <https://www.sail-tss.org>.

1. RULES

1.1 This is a multi-class event, where a variety of Classes will be invited to compete. The Event will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2021-2024 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the Class Rules of each Class entered.

1.2 Amendments, if any, to this Notice of Race will be posted on the Tampa Sailing Squadron website and on the official bulletin board at TSS.

2. ADVERTISING

2.1 Advertising shall be in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20. Racers may be required to display graphics on the side of their hulls; these graphics will be supplied by the OA.

3. ELIGIBILITY

3.1 The regatta is an invitational regatta for Mutineer 15, Buccaneer 18, Daysailers and Windmill Classes. Each Class will have a Class Organizer who will coordinate with the Class the requirements for entering the event.

3.2 Mutineers: MCA Class membership is required for the helmsperson and dues must be current. To join, please go to the class website, www.mutineer15.org, to fill out a membership application and send it to the class treasurer. Class membership can be obtained or renewed onsite. Registrations will not be accepted from non-current members.

3.3 Buccaneer 18s, Daysailers and Windmills: Eligibility requirements will be determined by each Class and coordinated by the Class Organizer.

4. ENTRY/REGISTRATION

4.1 Before March 4, 2022, enter by visiting the Tampa Sailing Squadron website, following the link to the online registration page, and completing the registration with payment of the entry fee.

4.2 Entry by late registration is on-site on March 4, 2022, from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. and on March 5, 2022, from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m., by completing the registration with payment of the entry fee and late fee.

4.3 The entry/registration deadline is 9 a.m. on March 5, 2022.

5. FEES

5.1 The entry fee is \$120. The entry fee includes 2 regatta shirts, 2 breakfast on Saturday morning, 2 dinners on Saturday evening, 2 awards party tickets on Sunday. A \$5.00 discount is available to current US Sailing Members who provide a copy of their card or their Member Number at registration.

5.2 A late fee of \$20 applies to registration on March 4 and March 5, 2022.

5.2 Fees for other goods and services:

Regatta Shirts: long sleeve, quick drying fabric with Regatta Logo and year on the front and a Regatta logo and event sponsors on the back are available for a separate fee.

\$8 per extra ticket for the meal on Saturday night.

6. BOATS, SAILS AND EQUIPMENT MEASUREMENT

6.1 Mutineer 15s: All boats should apply for measuring on Friday, March 5, from 3:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. or before 9 a.m. on March 6, 2022. If boats are presented for measurement after 9 a.m. on March 6, there is no guarantee that members of the measurement team will be available to carry out the measurement. Boats measured at a MNC or Mids within the last 2 years, can use the measurement certificate on file along with a compliance form stating that the boat is unaltered since being measured. Sails stamped at previous Mutineer Nationals will be accepted with a compliance form stating they are unaltered since being measured and stamped.

6.2 Buccaneer 18s, Daysailers and Windmills: Class requirements will be determined by each Class and coordinated by the Class Organizer.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

7.1 The Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be available at on-site registration and on the Tampa Sailing Squadron website by March 4th. Courses will be defined on the Sailing Instructions, which will include windward/leeward and/or reaching courses.

7.2 Classes with 5 boats will have their own start. The OA may combine Class starts for Classes with less than 5 boats, however scoring will be done separately by Class.

8. SCORING

8.1 A minimum of three completed races are required.

8.2 If five or more races are sailed, a boat's worst score shall be discarded. If 10 or more races are sailed, a boat's 2 worst scores shall be discarded. A maximum of 2 discards will be allowed.

8.3 Preliminary results will be announced and available daily. Final results will be posted after any protest hearings.

9. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, March 4, 2022

3:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. - On-site check-in, late registration, measure sails, inspect and weigh boats.

Saturday, March 5, 2022

8 a.m. – 9 a.m - On-site check-in, late registration, measure sails, inspect and weigh boats.

8 a.m. – 9 a.m – Hot breakfast is served.

9:30 a.m. – Skippers meeting.

11 a.m. – Warning signal for first race. Additional races follow. No race will start after 4 p.m.

4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. - Happy Hour (BYOB. Keg provided by OA.)

6 p.m. - Dinner.

Sunday, March 6, 2022

9 a.m. - Warning signal for first race. Additional races follow. No race will start after 1 pm.

3 p.m. - Happy Hour (Dregs of the keg and other libations will be provided by OA.)

4 p.m. - Awards Party and Trophy Presentations.

10. AWARDS

10.1 Awards will be given to skipper and crew for places 1 – 3 for each Class competing.

10.2 Mutineer 15s: The name of the winning skipper will be engraved on the perpetual trophy and the winning skipper will be in possession of the perpetual trophy until the 2023 Mutineer 15 Midwinters.

10.3 Buccaneer 18s, Daysailers and Windmills: Perpetual trophies will be determined by each Class and coordinated by the Class Organizer.

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11. MISCELLANEOUS

11.1 This regatta is a "Clean Regatta." Racers are encouraged to use non-single use water bottles and recycle all appropriate items. Racers shall not intentionally put trash in the water.

11.2 Boats can be kept on their trailers in the designated parking area, beached on the shore or tied to the floating dock. A hoist and a ramp are available for launching.

11.3 Some free housing is available with TSS members and local residents. Some TSS members offer free berths aboard their boats to racers. RVs may hook up water and electricity but shall not pump out. Tent space is available. Hotels are within 15 miles. Laundries are within driving distance.

11.4 There is ample parking inside the gate and overflow parking across the street.

11.5 The TSS Clubhouse has showers, bathrooms, 2 futons, a carpeted area for sleeping bags and a kitchen. A charcoal grill is available.

11.6 Restaurants and grocery stores are within short driving distances and food delivery services are available. One neighborhood restaurant with bar is across the street and another, higher priced, with bar is next door.

11.7 Beaches, parks and recreational opportunities are within short driving distances.

12. Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Racers in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other official or agent) will not be responsible or liable for any damage to any boat or other property or any personal injury or death of any participant, in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta. Each competitor agrees to participate entirely at his/her own risk and, to the fullest extent permitted by law, waives any rights to sue the race organizers and releases the race organizers from any and all liability, in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta.

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