



**2012 Rolex Miami OCR
Miami FL USA
22-28 January 2012**

A 2011-2012 ISAF Sailing World Cup Regatta



The 2012 Rolex Miami OCR will be held on Biscayne Bay in Miami, Florida from 22 January 2012 to 28 January 2012.

The Organizing Authority is US SAILING.

1. RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

1.2 For fleet racing, RRS Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, will apply.

1.3 For medal races, ISAF Addendum Q, Umpired Fleet Racing, available on the ISAF website (<http://www.sailing.org/documents/racing-rules.php>), will apply and changes a number of racing rules. The version that is current when the regatta begins will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions.

1.4 For the Women's Keelboat Match Racing event, Rules for the Handling of Boats will apply including practice racing, and will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions. The Elliott 6m Class rules will not apply.

1.5 For Paralympic events,

1.5.1 Section K of the International 2.4mR Class rules will apply.

1.5.2 SKUD 18 Class Rules C2.1(d) and C3.4 will not apply.

1.5.3 This will be a Sonar Class Association Appendix B - Alternative Rules event.

1.6 The US SAILING Prescriptions that will apply are stated in full in Addendum B of this Notice of Race.

1.7 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2. ADVERTISING AND BOW NUMBERS

2.1 Boats may be required to display bow numbers and advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

2.2 In accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.4.3, competitors aboard the boats ranked first, second and third in the series at the beginning of that day, shall wear yellow, blue and red bibs respectively while racing. The bibs will be provided by the organizing authority.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1 Competitors and coaches shall enter by completing the on-line entry form on the event website <http://rolexmiamiocr.org> and paying the required fees. On-line entry opens on 12 October 2011. Entries must be received no later than 9 January 2012 to qualify for the early entry fee and will not be accepted after 9 January 2012.

3.2 ISAF Eligibility shall apply. Each athlete shall be registered as an ISAF Sailor on the ISAF website: www.sailing.org/isafsailor

3.3 Unless otherwise approved by the IOC or the ISAF Executive, each competitor shall be a national of the country of the Member National Authority (MNA) which enters the boat or endorses the person in charge (as defined by RRS 46). This requirement does not apply to a crew member who receives approval to compete in the regatta from the MNA of the person in charge. Each competitor shall present proof of their nationality or the approved waiver at registration.

3.4 Olympic gender requirements will apply for each Olympic event. Men and mixed teams are not eligible to compete in women's events. Women are not eligible to compete in men's events.

3.5 Competitors under 18 years of age shall present a signed and completed parent (or guardian) consent and declaration form at registration. The forms are available for download on the event website <http://rolexmiamiocr.org>

3.6 For the Paralympic events, only competitors or teams that meet Paralympic Eligibility criteria will be scored for Sailing World Cup points. Other teams are eligible to compete in the Paralympic One Person Keelboat event.

3.7 For the Women's Keelboat Match Racing event, the crew (including the skipper) shall total three with a maximum total crew weight at registration of 204 kg when wearing at least shorts and shirt. Except in an emergency, the skipper shall helm the boat at all times while racing. All registered crew shall sail all races. However,

3.7.1 when a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event, the organizing authority may authorise an original crewmember to substitute.

3.7.2 when a registered crewmember is unable to continue in the event, the organizing authority may authorise a temporary substitute or other adjustment.

3.8 The regatta is open to boats competing in events chosen for the 2012 Olympic Sailing Competition and the 2012 Paralympic Sailing Competition.

Event	Class	Event Quota	Minimum Entries
Men's One Person Dinghy	Laser	150	20
Women's One Person Dinghy	Laser Radial	120	20
Men's One Person Dinghy Heavy	Finn	80	10
Men's Two Person Dinghy	470-M	120	10
Women's Two Person Dinghy	470-W	80	10

Men's Two Person Dinghy (High Performance)	49er	100	10
Men's Keelboat	Star	80	10
Women's Keelboat Match Racing	Elliott 6m	24	10
Men's Windsurfer	RS:X-M	120	10
Women's Windsurfer	RS:X-W	80	10
Paralympic One Person Keelboat	2.4mR	40	7
Paralympic Two Person Keelboat	SKUD18	20	5
Paralympic Three Person Keelboat	Sonar	20	5

3.9 The organizing authority may cancel an event if the minimum number of entries have not been received by midnight (local time), 9 January 2012. Competitors will be notified of canceled events by email and posting on the event website. The entry fees for canceled events will be refunded.

3.10 For any event in which the number of applications exceeds the Event Quota at midnight (local time), on 2 December 2011, the following procedure will apply.

3.10.1 The MNAs of the applications received will be sorted in Priority Order, based on the order of each MNA's highest appearance in the 2010-2011 ISAF Sailing World Cup final series standings.

3.10.2 Ties in the Priority Order will be resolved in favor of the MNA with the higher appearance in the most recent SWC event(s) in which any tied MNA appears. Remaining ties will be broken in favor of the MNA whose earliest entry application was received first. MNA's not appearing in the applicable SWC standings shall be sorted by application date and added at the end of the MNA Priority Order.

3.10.3 The Applications will be accepted, as follows, until the quota is filled:

(a) One place awarded to the host MNA.

(b) One place, awarded in MNA Priority Order, for each MNA with a remaining entry application.

(c) Repeat 3.10.3(b) above until the quota is filled.

3.11 The Event Quota will be increased until each MNA with a qualified application has at least one entry in the event. Each MNA with excess application(s) will decide which application(s) fill the available slots.

3.12 For any event in which NOR 3.10 does not apply, entries will be accepted in the order received until the Event Quota is reached.

4. IFDS FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION

4.1 Disabled sailors shall have valid International Classification under the 2009-2012 IFDS Functional Classification System.

4.2 Protests regarding classification may be filed with the on site classifiers not later than "first appearance." However, protests will not be decided at the regatta.

5. FEES

5.1 Fees are stated in US Dollars and include any local taxes. Entries received by 9 January 2012 will qualify for the early Entry fee.

Class	Entry Fee	Early Entry Fee
Single Handed Events	US\$350	US\$300
Double Handed Events	US\$600	US\$500
Triple Handed Events (Except Match Racing)	US\$750	US\$600
Women's Match Racing	US\$3200	US\$3000
Support Boat	US\$100	US\$75

5.2 The entry fee for the Women's Keelboat Match Race event includes the boat charter fee and insurance.

5.3 For the Women's Keelboat Match Racing Event, a damage deposit is required in addition to the entry fee as follows.

5.3.1 An initial damage deposit of US\$1000 shall be paid at registration, unless extended by the OA. This deposit is the maximum payable by the skipper as a result of any one incident.

5.3.2 If a deduction from the damage deposit is decided by the OA, it may require the deposit be restored to its original amount before the skipper is permitted to continue in the event.

5.3.3 Any remaining deposit after the event will be refunded within 10 days after the event.

5.4 If an entry is canceled by the competitor, the entry fee will be refunded as follows:

Cancellation Date	Entry Fee Refund
2 December 2011	80%
10 January 2012	50%
After 15 January 2012	0%

6. FORMAT

6.1 For fleet racing, the regatta will consist of an opening series and, for Olympic events, a medal race. The opening series may be divided into a qualifying series and a final series. The top ten finishers in the opening series of each event will advance to the medal race, provided a minimum of 3 races have been completed in the opening series. For Paralympic events, the regatta will consist of a single series.

6.2 For match racing, the regatta will consist of an opening series, a knockout series, and a sail-off for boats not advancing to the knockout series. The organizing authority may change the format, terminate or eliminate any round when conditions do not permit the completion of the intended format.

7. SCHEDULE

7.1 Registration for competitors, coaches and team leaders is scheduled to begin 0900 on Sunday, 22 January 2012 at the US Sailing Center Miami.

7.2 The first briefing for coaches and team leaders is scheduled for 0800 on Monday, 23 January 2012 at the US Sailing Center Miami.

7.3 The first meeting with the umpires for competitors in the Women's Keelboat Match Racing event is scheduled for 1600 on Sunday, 22 January 2012 at Key Biscayne Yacht Club.

7.4 The Opening Ceremony is scheduled to begin at 1800 on Sunday, 22 January 2012 at the Coral Reef Yacht Club.

7.5 The schedule of races including medal races, in any, and dates of racing is as follows:

Event	Racing Dates	Number of Races
Men's One Person Dinghy	23-28 January 2012	11
Women's One Person Dinghy	23-28 January 2012	11
Men's One Person Dinghy Heavy	23-28 January 2012	11
Men's Two Person Dinghy	23-28 January 2012	11
Women's Two Person Dinghy	23-28 January 2012	11
Men's Two Person Dinghy High Performance	23-28 January 2012	16
Men's Keelboat	23-28 January 2012	11
Women's Keelboat Match Racing	21-28 January 2012 (w/ practice days)	186
Men's Windsurfer	23-28 January 2012	11
Women's Windsurfer	23-28 January 2012	11
Paralympic One Person Keelboat	23-27 January 2012	10
Paralympic Two Person Keelboat	23-27 January 2012	10
Paralympic Three Person Keelboat	23-27 January 2012	10

7.6 On the last day of racing, no warning signal will be made after 1700 for fleet racing and no attention signal after 1700 for match racing.

8. MEASUREMENT

8.1 Competitors shall provide copies of any measurement certificates required by class rules at the time of registration.

8.2 Competitors shall produce evidence of membership of the appropriate class association at the time of registration as may be required by the organizing authority.

8.3 All boats shall carry national letters on their sails.

8.4 Boats shall be available for inspection from 0900 Sunday, 22 January 2012 or as agreed in writing with the organizing authority.

8.5 Boats may be subject to inspection at any time during the event. The procedures for inspections will be specified in the sailing instructions or event measurement regulations.

8.6 The equipment limitations as specified in the class rules shall apply.

8.7 The Women's Match Racing event will be sailed in boats supplied by the Organizing Authority. Eight International Elliot 6m Class boats will be provided, each with a mainsail, jib and spinnaker. Boats will be allocated by draw, either daily or for each round as decided by the Race Committee.

9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available beginning 22 January 2012 at registration and earlier on the event website. Other documents governing the event will be published with the sailing instructions.

10. VENUE

10.1 The regatta will be at the US Sailing Center Miami, 2476 South Bayshore Drive, Miami, FL 33133. Addendum B shows the location of the regatta harbour.

Events will be hosted at the following venues:

Windsurfer Men and Women	Coconut Grove Sailing Club, Miami
Paralympic Events	Shake A Leg Miami
Keelboat Men	Coral Reef Yacht Club
One Person Dinghy Men and Women	US SAILING Center Miami
Two Person Dinghy Men and Women	US SAILING Center Miami
Heavyweight Dinghy	US SAILING Center Miami
Men's Two Person Dinghy High Performance	Miami Rowing Club, Rickenbacker Causeway
Women's Match Racing	Key Biscayne Yacht Club

10.2 The racing area will be on Biscayne Bay, Miami, Florida, USA.

11. THE COURSES

The courses will be Windward/Leeward or Trapezoid except that any other courses adopted by ISAF for the 2012 Olympic Sailing Competition may also be used.

12. PENALTY SYSTEM

For the Men's Two Person Dinghy High Performance and Two Person Paralympic events, RRS 44.1 and RRS P2.1 are changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

13. INTERNATIONAL JURY

An International Jury will be appointed in accordance with RRS 91(b). Its decisions will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

14. SCORING

14.1 Fleet Racing

14.1.1 The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A will apply. RRS B8 is deleted.

14.1.2 At least 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a regatta. When 5 or more opening series races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

14.1.3 In medal races, a boat's score shall be double the number of points specified in RRS Appendix A4.1, and the score for that race shall not be excluded from the series score.

14.1.4 Ties in the series score between boats with different medal race point scores shall be broken in favour of the boat that scored better in the medal race. This changes RRS Appendix A8.

14.2 Match Racing

14.2.1 The scoring system of RRS Appendix C will apply.

14.2.2 Add RRS Appendix C10.3(b): 'When a single round robin is terminated before completion, or a multiple round robin is terminated during the first round robin, the highest score shall be determined as the average points scored per match sailed by each competitor, unless one or more competitor has completed less than one third of the scheduled matches when the entire round robin shall be disregarded and if necessary the event declared void.'

15. SUPPORT BOATS AND PERSONNEL

15.1 All support boats shall be registered with the organizing authority and will be required to comply with local legislation and event support boat regulations. The organizing authority may refuse

registrations and accept later registrations at their sole discretion.

15.2 All support boats shall clearly display the 3 letter national code of their ISAF Member National Authority at all times while afloat. The minimum height for the letters shall be 200 mm.

15.3 Support boats with team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first fleet to start until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

16. BERTHING

Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the boat park or harbour.

17. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Boats assigned places in the harbour shall not be hauled out during the regatta, except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the Race Committee.

18. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around keelboats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

19. RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make nor receive radio transmissions, text messages or cellular phone calls while racing except in an emergency or when using equipment provided by the race committee.

20. PRIZES

20.1 Medals will be awarded to the top 3 boats in each event. The Organizing Authority may alter prizes if less than 10 boats are entered in an event.

21. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall present a valid insurance certificate showing proof of third-party liability coverage of at least US\$300,000 (or equivalent) per incident.

22. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. Neither the organizing authority nor ISAF will accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

23. MEDIA RIGHTS, CAMERAS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

23.1 By participating in an event of the ISAF Sailing World Cup competitors automatically grant to the organizing authority, ISAF and their sponsors, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from

time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of the athlete during the period of the competition without compensation.

23.2 Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment or positioning equipment as specified by the organizing authority.

23.3 The top three competitors as well as the individual race winners may be required to attend a media press conference each day.

23.4 Competitors may be required for interviews at the regatta.

24. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact rolexmiamiocr@ussailing.org .

===== ADDENDA =====

NoR ADDENDUM A

ISAF Sailing World Cup Series

A1 REGATTAS

The 2011 - 2012 ISAF SAILING WORLD CUP series is comprised of the following regattas:

Sail Melbourne – Melbourne, AUS
Rolex Miami OCR – Miami, Florida, USA
Trofeo SAR Princesa Sofia MAPFRE* – Palma Majorca, ESP
Semaine Olympique Francaise* – Hyeres, FRA
Delta Lloyd Regatta* – Medemblik, NED
Skandia Sail for Gold Regatta* – Weymouth & Portland, GBR
Kieler Woche* – Kiel, GER

*European event (see NoR A3.4)

A2 Property and Management

The ISAF Sailing World Cup is owned by ISAF and managed by ISAF and the regattas constituting the ISAF SWC.

A3 Sailing World Cup Series Scoring

A3.1 For the purposes of SWC series scores, the SWC points scored by a boat shall be registered in the name of the helmsperson.

A3.2 A boat is not deemed to be competing in the SWC series until it has competed in at least one regatta during the current series.

A3.3 For each event at an ISAF Sailing World Cup regatta, the 20 boats ranked highest overall shall receive SWC points. The boat finishing in first place shall be scored 20 points, second place shall be

scored 19 points, third place shall be scored 18 points, and so on. A boat finishing worse than twentieth place or not competing in the regatta shall be scored 0 points.

A3.4 A boat's SWC series score shall be the total of her top five (5) SWC series regattas. However, no more than four (4) European SWC regattas shall be counted.

A3.5 If a boat has two or more equal regatta scores, the score(s) for the regatta(s) sailed latest shall be counted.

A3.6 SWC series ties shall be broken in accordance with RRS A8, replacing 'race' with 'regatta.'

A3.7 Competitors placing first, second or third in the regatta will forfeit their regatta SWC points if they fail to attend the prize giving ceremony without prior written permission from the Organizing Authority for their absence.

A4 Eligibility and Entry and Quotas

A4.1 For the purposes of determining the MNA Priority Order used in establishing eligibility and quotas, the order of each MNA's highest appearance on the ISAF Sailing World Cup standings will be determined:

A4.1.1 For Sail Melbourne, Rolex Miami OCR, Trofeo SAR Princesa Sofia MAPFRE, and Semaine Olympique Francaise, by the prior year ISAF Sailing World Cup final series standings, or

A4.1.2 For Delta Lloyd Regatta, Kieler Woche, and Skandia Sail for Gold Regatta, by the current year ISAF Sailing World Cup standings as of the Entry Quota deadline date.

A4.2 MNA's not appearing in the applicable SWC standings shall be sorted by application date and added at the end of the MNA Priority Order.

A5 Prizes

ISAF will award prizes to the top three crew in the SWC Series. Timing and location of the SWC prize giving will be announced by ISAF.

NoR ADDENDUM B

US SAILING Prescriptions

The US SAILING prescriptions that will apply at the regatta are stated below:

B1 RRS 68 DAMAGES – US SAILING prescribes that:

- (a) A boat that retires from a race or 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 or US SAILING appeals authority 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.

- B2** RRS 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.
- B3** RRS 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, upon written request, entitled to a hearing, conducted by the protest committee under RRS 63.2, 63.3, 63.4, and 63.6.