

NOTICE OF RACE

2011 FORMULA WINDSURFING NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP

16th to 18th December 2011

Rickenbacker Causeway, Miami, Florida, USA

www.windsurfingtour.com

Organized by:

Miami Windsurfing LLC

in co-operation with the

International Formula Windsurfing Class (IFWC)

An International Windsurfing Association sanctioned event







1 RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing Windsurfing Competition Rules.
- 1.2 The IFWC Class Rules and Championship Rules.
- 1.3 No national prescriptions will apply.
- 1.4 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2 ADVERTISING

Boards may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority. ISAF Regulation 20 'Advertising Code' shall apply.

3 DIVISIONS

- 3.1 Gender Men and Women.
- 3.2 Age -
- 3.2.1 A Junior shall be under the age of 17 born in or after 1995.
- 3.2.2 A Youth shall be under the age of 20 born in or after 1992.
- 3.2.3 A Master is a man who has reached the age of 35 (born in or before 1975), or a woman who has reached the age of 30 (born in or before 1980).
- 3.2.4 A Grand Master is a man who has reached the age of 35 (born in or before 1965), or a woman who has reached the age of 30 (born in or before 1970).
- 3.3 An open, 'Free Formula', division is available to competitors unable to meet the IFWC Class Rules.
- 3.4 A minimum of 5 competitors is required to constitute a division.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 All entries shall meet the requirements of ISAF Regulation 19-Eligibility Code.
- 4.2 Competitors shall be members of a National Formula Class Association which is a paid up member of IFWC. Membership formalities can be completed on site.
- 4.3 Eligible competitors can enter by completing the form which will be available on www.windsurfingtour.com
- 4.4 Competitors shall present the following at registration:
 - Original Entry Form
 - Proof of age
 - <u>Parental/legal Guardian Assent</u> for those under age of 18
 - <u>Medical Treatment Permission</u> for those under age of 18 or on their parents medical insurance policy

5 FEES

- 5.1 The required entry fee is US\$120, except for Youth when the fee will be US\$100.
- 5.2 Entries received after **November 30th** will be charged an additional **US\$20**.
- 5.3 Entry fees paid at registration shall be in cash only US\$.

6 RACE FORMAT

- 6.1 The Championship shall be a single discipline, course racing, "open entry" event.
- 6.2 Men and women, boys and girls, may race together.
- 6.3 Competitors shall race a maximum of 5 races per day, in a maximum 15 race series.
- 6.4 Three races are required to validate the championship.

7 SCHEDULE

 Thursday 15 Dec	1000-1800	Early arrival, training & registration
Friday 16 Dec	0800-1000	Registration
	1100	Skippers meeting
	1200	Racing
	2000	Welcoming Dinner
Saturday 17 Dec	0900	Skippers meeting
	1000	Racing
Sunday 18 Dec	0900	Skippers meeting
	1000	Racing
	1700	Last possible warning signal
	1900	Prize giving

7.1 The first possible warning signal will be made each day at 1000hrs, except for the first day when the first possible warning signal will be displayed at 1200hrs.

8 EQUIPMENT & EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 8.1 All competitors shall bring their own equipment.
- 8.2 An Equipment Inspection Form, which will be available at registration, shall be returned to the Event Equipment Inspector before the start of competition
- 8.3 Equipment inspections may be made at any time during the event.
- 8.4 Unless otherwise directed by the organizing authority, boards and equipment shall be launched and retrieved from the designated area at the event site.

9 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions (SI's) will be available upon registration. Any changes to the SI's shall be approved by the Class Representative at the event.

10 COURSES

Courses will be as described in the sailing instructions.

11 PROTEST COMMITTEE

An 'Independent Protest Committee' will be appointed according to WCR 91(a).

12 SCORING

Scoring will be according to the WCR Appendix A, and using the Low Points Scoring System. IFWC 13.5 shall apply for discards.

13 SUPPORT BOATS

Competitor support boats are not permitted.

14 SAFETY

14.1 If personal buoyancy is prescribed every competitor and support boat crewmember shall wear a personal flotation device that shall conform to the minimum standard of ISO 12402-5 (level 50), or as specified in the SI's.

15 PRIZES

- 15.1 Prizes will be awarded to the first three competitors of each properly constituted division. Properly constituted divisions will be posted on the official notice board after the completion of registration.
- 15.2 The first man and the first woman in each division, eligible to compete for a North American national class association, will be declared "2011 North American Formula Windsurfing (division) Champion".
- 15.3 IFWC World Ranking points will be awarded according to the overall ranking of all competitors entered in the championship.

16 OFFICIAL CEREMONIES

Competitors are requested to attend the event's social functions; however, the organising authority may refuse entry to those whose standard of attire is not commensurate with the occasion.

17 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk, see WCR 4 - Decision to Race. The organising authority or any of their officials or representatives or the sponsors or their officials or representatives will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the event.

18 INSURANCE

Each participating board shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of US\$500.000 per event or the equivalent amount in another currency.

19 RIGHT TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

In registering for the event, competitors automatically grant to the Organising Authority the right in perpetuity to make, use and show from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproduction of them, taken during the period of the event, for the said Event as defined in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions in which he/she participates without compensation.

20 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 20.1 Registration will take place at the event site: near SAILBOARDS MIAMI, FL.
- 20.2 For further information please contact: Alex Morales

Tel cell – .786-488-1961 Email – <u>info@windsurfingtour.com</u>

20.3 The following **Additional Information** is not part of the rules for the Event.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION SHEET

A ACCOMMODATION

Different hotel options are available; recommended:

Best Western Hotel

http://www.bestwesternflorida.com/hotels/best-western-on-the-bay-inn-and-marina/

Event discount code: MIAMI WINDSURFING

B AIR TRAVEL/TRANSPORTATION/TRANSFERS

Airports - MIAMI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

Transfers: Call ALEX: 786-488-1961

C EARLY ARRIVALS

Competitors arriving early are advised that support from the organizers can be provided from info@windsurfingtour.com and must be arranged in advance.

D PREVAILING CONDITIONS

Wind: 10 to 20knots North East to South East

Water temperature 27C

Air temperature 22 to 30 C