

United States 2.4mR Class Port Charlotte, Florida USA December 8 - 10, 2011 Amended 10/04/2011

1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

The US 2.4mR Class Association and the Charlotte Harbor Yacht Club

2. RULES

- 2.1 The regatta will be governed by the "rules" as defined in the Current Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 2.2 The Class Rules are changed as follows:
 - 1) K3.1 WEIGHT
 - a) The weight shall be minimum 253kg and maximum 254kg and may exclude the weight of the seat.
 - b) The horizontal distance from 0.55 x LWL to the centre of gravity of the boat when its water line (baseline) is horizontal shall be 1343mm + 27mm.
 - 2) K3.2 BALLAST
 - a) The ballast shall be internal in the boat and removable from the inside of the boat. It shall be divided in lead pigs consisting of minimum 8 pieces and maximum 16 pieces. The maximum weight of one pig is 30kg.
 - b) Ballast pigs shall have their primary dimension in horizontal direction.
 - c) The maximum weight of the ballast while racing, including any equipment placed below the floor, but excluding one electrical pump weighing not more than 0.400kg, one manual bilge pump made of plastic, and adherent hoses and cables, is 181kg.
 - d) All equipment made from metal denser than aluminum alloy, not used for construction purposes, shall be regarded as ballast except a battery when it is placed above the floor.
 - 3) K3.3 CORRECTOR WEIGHTS
 - a) Corrector weights of lead (including batteries containing lead and weighing less than 2.7kg) shall be securely fixed according to (b) when the boat weight is less than the minimum requirement.
 - b) Corrector weights shall be placed in the cockpit area above the floor and be located such that the centre of gravity of the boat is within the limits according to K3.1 (b) above.
 - 4) K5.3 KEEL TIP WEIGHT (does not apply)
 - 5) K6.1 RUDDER
 - Boats sailed by IFDS classified sailors in IFDS qualification events and the Paralympics shall have the deep standard rudder. Dimensions of the rudder shall comply with templates given in the 2.4mR One-Design Building Specifications.
- 2.3 Sail changes will be permitted between races. However, no sail changes will be permitted between the warning signal for a race and the start of that race.
- 2.4 Where the Notice of Race conflicts with the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing instructions shall apply.

3. ADVERTISING

Advertising will not be restricted.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the International 2.4mR Class. All participants shall be current members of their National Class Association or a "temporary" member of the U.S. 2.4mR Class Association for this regatta only. Entrants can also be a member of the ICA if their country has no NCA.
- 4.2 Eligible boats may register on line at https://www.regattatech.com/events/CHYC/PreIFDS11 or by completing the attached form and sending it, together with the required fee to: Charlotte Harbor Yacht Club c/o Martin Holland 4400 Lister Street Port Charlotte, FL. 33952 USA
- 4.3 Registration is open until 1800 hours December 7, 2011. Late entries will be accepted from 0730 until 0830 hours on December 8, 2011 with an additional fee.
- 4.4 A boat is not registered until its regatta fee is paid and proof of insurance is confirmed.
- 4.5 All boats shall have valid measurement certificates available or on file with the US 2.4mR Class before its registration is complete.

5. REQUIRED FEES

5.1 Entry Fees: Entry: \$175.00 USD Late entry fee \$ 25.00 USD

5.2 Other Fees: Temporary US 2.4mR Membership \$25.00 USD

5.3 Payment of all fees is preferred through

https://www.regattatech.com/events/CHYC/PreIFDS11

Payment may also be made in U.S. Dollars, in Travelers Checks, or Checks drawn on a U.S. bank. Make checks payable to Charlotte Harbor Yacht Club.

6. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 6.1 Registration (Onsite registration required): Wednesday, 12/7/11 1400 1800 Hours.
- 6.2 Launching will be allowed Wednesday at 1400 1800 hours and Thursday 0730 0900
- 6.3 Competitors meeting: 0845 hours 12/8/11
- 6.4 Scheduled time of warning signal and planned number of races

Date		Time of First Warning	# of Races Planned
Thursday	12/08/2011	1030 hours	4 races
Friday	12/09/2011	1030 hours	4 races
Saturday	12/10//2011	1030 hours	4 races

No warning signal after 1500 hours on Saturday, 12/10/2011

6.5 Social schedule (Competitors meals & Continual breakfast are included in registration fee)
Thursday – Saturday Continual Breakfast 0800

Thursday: Dinner, Cash Bar, Additional dinners will be available for \$20.00 (include Continual breakfast) 1700hrs - estimated

Friday: Dinner, Cash Bar, Additional dinners will be available for \$20.00 (include Continual breakfast) 1700hrs - estimated

Awards Ceremony after racing on Saturday, 12/10/2011

6.6 Talk to the Experts:

The top three finishers for the day will be asked to briefly discuss their sailing for the day. This is intended to be very informal and not last more than one hour.

7. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

7.1 Measurement checks and inspections may be made at any time at the discretion and direction of the Race Committee. Valid measurement certificates must be available or on file with the NCA.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Preliminary sailing instructions will be available at https://www.regattatech.com/events/CHYC/PreIFDS11 and at www.us24meter.org by December 1, 2011. Final sailing instructions will be available at registration.

9. VENUE

The racing area will be Charlotte Harbor, south of Port Charlotte Yacht Club.

10. SCORING

- 10.1 The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A will apply.
- 10.2 There will be up to 12 races sailed, of which 3 are required to be completed to constitute the series.
- 10.3 When 7 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. When 11 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her races sailed excluding her worst two scores.

11. COMMUNICATION AND SUPPORT BOATS

- 11.1 VHF radios are recommended as the Race Committee may broadcast information on courses, premature starters, or safety instructions on Channel 68.
- 11.2 Support boats are allowed and shall be marked with a white flag on a staff.
- 11.3 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones

12. BERTHING AND HAULOUT RESTRICTIONS

There will be no haul out restrictions.

13. PRIZES

Prizes will be given to the top three overall finishers.

14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 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 or during, or after the regatta.

15. 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.

16. FURTHER INFORMATION

16.1 For regatta information contact Martin Holland at m.holland@charlotteharborregatta.com

16.2 Hotel Information:

Days Inn Port Charlotte – 5.8 miles 1941 Tamiami Trail Port Charlotte FL 33948 (941) 627-8900 http://www.daysinnportcharlotte.com

La Quinta Inn – 5.0 miles 812 Kings Highway Port Charlotte FL 33980 (941) 976-4200 http://www.lg.com

Best Western Waterfront 3.3 miles 300 Retta Esplanade Punta Gorda, Florida 33950 (941) 639-1165 www.bwpuntagorda.com Microtel Inn & Suites – 1.1 miles 4056 Tamiami Trail Port Charlotte, FL 33952 (941) 624-6339 http://www.microtelinn.com

Knights Inn Port Charlotte – 1.1 miles 4100 Tamiami Trail Port Charlotte, FL 33952 (941) 743-2442 http://www.knightsinn.com

Four Points by Sheraton - 2.9 miles 33 Tamiami Trail Punta Gorda, FL 33950 (941) 637-6700 http://www.starwoodhotels.com/fourpoints/index.html