



CARIBBEAN
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ASSOCIATION



2024 CSA Caribbean Dinghy Championship (CDC)

NOTICE OF RACE (NOR)

The 2024 CSA Caribbean Dinghy Championship (CDC) regatta is organized by the Sint Maarten Yacht Club (SMYC), termed 'The Organizing Authority'.

October 25-27, 2024 (3 days)

1. RULES

- 1.1 The CDC regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 ("RRS").
- 1.2 The class rules of the participating classes will apply.
- 1.3 Any rule changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions. The Sailing Instructions may also be subject to amendment, with event competitors notified via the SMYC-based event notice board of any amendments prior to commencement of racing no later than on the morning of the day of the race/s affected.
- 1.4 Advertising will be permitted on all boats under Category C of World Sailing regulation 20, with boats being required to display event-specific advertising if supplied by the event Organizing Authority.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 All competitor entries are required to be made through a valid member organization of the CSA.
- 2.2 Entry registrations must be received by no later than 01 October 2024.
- 2.3 At the time of registration, a National Federation must confirm their intention to compete for the nations cup. The eligible CDC equipment classes are: ILCA 4, 6 7, International Optimist, RS Quest and RS Zest.

3. EQUIPMENT CLASSES

- 3.1 The Classes used in the 2024 edition of the CDC event will be as follows:
- 3.2 One-person sailboat
 - a) ILCA 7: Male (Open age category)

- b) ILCA 6: Male (up to 19 years of age at the time of the start of the event) + Female (open age category)
- c) ILCA 4: Male + Female (up to 16 years old)
- d) International Optimist – Competitors wishing to enter this event shall have been born in 2009 or later.

3.3 Two-person sailboat:

- a. RS Quest: Open age category (2 people per boat, sail with mainsail, jib and asymmetrical spinnaker)
- b. RS Zest: (under 16 years old) 2 people per boat, sail with mainsail and jib.

4. FEES:

4.1 Entry fees are outlined below:

- a) Standard registration fee = \$ US 300 per competitor if entry received before September 20, 2024
- b) Late registration fee = \$ US 350 per competitor if entry received after September 21, 2024.

4.2 Included in the event entry fee are charter of equipment as specified in section 3, the following meals: Dinner on Thursday October 24, lunch on Friday October 25, lunch on Saturday October 26 and lunch on Sunday October 27 and water. On Friday, Saturday and Sunday there will be a pastry per competitor in the morning.

4.3 Coaches / Guardians attending the event and wishing to receive all meals provided during the event (as specified in 4.2 above), must pay a fee of \$ US235 upon registration.

4.4 A damage deposit of \$ US 100 per team will be required by the Organizing Authority, payable in cash upon registration at the event venue and refunded at the end of the regatta, less the cost of any repairs as a result of damages deemed to have been caused by the competitor during the CDC event.

5. SCHEDULE:

5.1 The provisional schedule for the 2024 CDC is outlined below. This is subject to amendment by the Organizing Authority.

5.2 No race will be started after 12:00 on Sunday October 23, 2024

Date	Time	Event/s	Location / Venue
Thursday, October 24, 2024	10:00-16:30	Event registration On-water practice	SMYC
	18:30	Opening and welcome dinner	TBC
Friday October 25, 2024	07:30	Breakfast	TBC

	07:00 – 08:00	Event registration cntd.	SMYC
	08:30	Coach briefing	SMYC
	09:30	Racing	Simpson Bay
	TBC	Lunch	TBC
	TBC	Racing	Simpson Bay
	19:00	Dinner	TBC
Saturday October 26, 2024	07:30	Breakfast	TBC
	08:30	Coach briefing	SMYC
	09:30-12:00	Racing	Simpson Bay
	TBC	Lunch	TBC
	TBC	Racing	Simpson Bay
	19:00	Dinner	TBC
Sunday October 27, 2024	07:30	Breakfast	TBC
	08:30	Coach briefing	SMYC
	09:30	Racing	Simpson Bay
	12:30	Lunch	SMYC
	14:00	Prize Giving	SMYC

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AND COURSE

6.1 Sailing Instructions (SI's) and a detailed description of courses to be sailed by each class will be made prior to the event, being distributed to all formally registered entries by October 1st, 2024.

6.2 Competition format:

- a) The competition format will be fleet racing.
- b) The entries in each class may be divided into fleets.

6.3 Unless specified in the SI's, all racing will take place within the confines of Simpson Bay or the Simpson Bay Lagoon.

7. EQUIPMENT

7.1 Due to a limited supply of equipment available for the CDC event, entries will be limited to the following number of boats per CSA member:

- a) ILCA 7 = Max. 1 boat
- b) ILCA 6 = Max. 1 boats
- c) ILCA 4 = Max 1 boat.
- d) Optimist = no set maximum.
- e) RS Zest = max 1 boat
- f) RS Quest = Max 1 boat

7.2 Equipment allocation:

- a) Should boats made available to the CSA for use at the CDC event remain un-used by the registration deadline of October 1st, 2024, CSA members will be contacted in the order in which they submitted their registration, with an offer of being able to register additional competitors for the event.
- b) The allocation of individual boats to CDC competitors will commence at 10:00 on October 24, 2024 at Sint Maarten Yacht Club (SMYC).

7.3 ILCA: Hull, spars (mast top and bottom section / boom) only will be provided by the Organizing Authority. Competitors must provide their own foils, control lines, mainsail, and tiller / tiller extension. Control line systems that competitors wish to bring with them to the event must conform to the class-specific equipment rules.

7.4 Optimist: The hull (including painter / bow line) only will be provided. Competitors must provide their own spars, foils, control lines, buoyancy bags, mainsail + bailer/s and paddle. Any personal control line systems or foils that competitors wish to bring with them to the event must conform to the class-specific equipment rules.
Spars available on request.

7.5 RS Quest / RS Zest: All standard boat equipment (Hull, Spars, Foils, Mainsail, Jib, Spinnaker, control lines etc.) will be provided. Any personal control line systems that competitors wish to bring with them to the event must conform to the class-specific equipment rules.

7.6 The racing rules will be changed as follows,
RRS 78 & 78.1, have been amended so that any equipment issued by the event organizer is not subject to the measurement criteria of the international class.

8. PENALTY SYSTEM

8.1 For all classes, Rule 44.2 of the RRS is changed so that any requirement to take a Two-Turns Penalty is replaced instead by a requirement for competitors to complete a One-Turn only penalty, consisting of one tack and one gybe.

8.2 Decisions of the Protest Committee will be final as provided in RRS 70.4

8.3 Hybrid Hearings - Protest Committee hearings will be hybrid, comprised of in-person and remote judges. Participants in any hearings (parties, party representatives and witnesses) must be in-person. Participants consent to the use of audio and video to conduct the hearings.

9. SCORING

9.1 Scoring shall be as per the Low Point Scoring system of RRS Appendix A. One race is required to be completed to constitute a championship.

9.2 Each competitors score shall be:

- a) When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, this will be the total score of all completed races.
- b) When five (5) or more races have been completed, the total score will be calculated excluding the worst scoring race (1 Discard)

- c) When ten (10) or more races have been completed, the total score will exclude the two (2) worst scoring races.

9.3 The CSA Caribbean Dinghy Championship (CDC) 'Nations Cup' Trophy:

- a) Scoring for the 'Nations Cup Trophy' shall be as per the CHIPS3 High Point Scoring System.
- b) Every race of every class (Optimist, Fusion, ILCA 4, ILCA 6, ILCA 7) will be scored in a separate sheet for the 'Nations Cup Trophy'. The 4 classes where a nation scores the most points in will count towards your final score.
- c) The 'Nations Cup Trophy' will be awarded to the nation, at the end of the regatta, with the highest number of points in their final score.
- d) For any classes where a nation does not have a competitor entered, in each race they shall be scored zero (0) points.
- e) For any ties in the overall scoring, the tie shall be broken in favour of the team with the most 1st place final results. Should any team still remain tied after using the above method, the tie shall be broken in favour of the team with the most second place final results, and so forth, until the tie is broken. Should any tie remain, it shall be broken in favour of the team with the most 1st place finishes in the individual races, until the tie is broken.

10. SAFETY

- 10.1 Except for while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment, Personal Flotation Devices (PFDs) must be worn by all competitors, Mark Layers / Judges / Coaches / Support personnel at all times when afloat. Failure to do so after a formal request from a representative of the Organizing Authority will result in removal of that person from water and, in the case of sailors, competitors will be scored DNS from any subsequent races sailed after the time of the request.
- 10.2 A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile phones and other devices.
- 10.3 Competitors, Coaches, Parents / Support Personnel shall always follow instruction and direction of the Race Organization.

11. PRIZES

- 11.1 CDC prizes will be awarded to first, second and third place finishers in each class.
- 11.2 The CSA Caribbean Dinghy Championship (CDC) Nations Cup Trophy will be awarded subject to the provision of NOR Item number 9.3, Scoring, with the National Authority of a country having confirmed at registration that they wish to be included in the competition for the Nations Cup Trophy.
- 11.3 Additional prizes / awards may be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Authority

12. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 12.1 Competitors participating in the regatta do so entirely at their own risk. (See RRS 4, Decision to Race).

12.2 The Organizing Authority will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

13. FURTHER INFORMATION

13.1 Support Boats: All support boats shall register in advance of the CDC event with the Organizing Authority sam@smyc.com. Support boats and support persons shall stay outside of areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal of each racing class, until all boats of that class on each course have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

13.2 Registration for the 2024 CDC event must be completed by CSA Members via the following website: <https://smyc.com/caribbean-dinghy-championship/>

13.3 For further information regarding all aspects of the CDC event, please contact the CSA Secretariat via: dolein@smyc.com