29er Midwinters East



February 13-16 2025

29er

Organizing Authority:

Clearwater Community Sailing Center in conjunction with the **US 29er Class**

Sailing Instructions

Amendment 1 Changes 2/12/2025 Amendment 2 Changes 2/13/2025 Amendment 3 Changes 2/14/2025

1. Rules

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the: Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2025-2028, including the prescriptions of US Sailing, 29er Class Rules, except as any of these are changed by these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty

2. **Notices to Competitors**

2.1 The official noticeboard can be found on Regatta Network https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/29174# docs. A physical board may be used as well and will be found in the breezeway of the main building

3. **Changes to Sailing Instructions**

3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board and shall be made no later than 0900 on Friday and 0830 on Saturday and Sunday

4. **Signals Made Ashore**

Signals Made Ashore will be made at the CCSC Flagpole. 4.1

5. **Schedule**

- 5.1 Twelve Races are scheduled
- 5.2 The Schedule of events is as Follows

Thursday, February 13th

Boat park open to equipment arrival Registration and Check In

1400-1800

Friday, February 14th

0900

Check in	0830-10:00
Competitors Briefing	0930
First Warning Signal	1100
Saturday, February 15th	
Coaches meeting	0900
First Warning Signal	1100
Sunday, February 16th	
Coaches Meeting	0830
First Warning Signal	1030
Last possible warning signal	1500
Prize giving on lower deck after sailing	

6. Class Flags

6.1 The Numeral Pennant 9 will be used as the 29er Class Flag

7. Racing Area

7.1 The Racing area will be the Gulf of Mexico South West of the Clearwater Pass jetty

8. The Course

- 8.1 The Course will be a Windward Leeward with a Reach Finish (see Attachment A)
- 8.2 If one of the gate marks is missing the remaining mark shall be rounded to Port
- 8.3 The Rounding Marks will be Orange Tetrahedrons, The start and finish pins will be yellow cylinders

9. The Start and Finish

- 9.1 Races will start in accordance with RRS 26
- 9.2 The Start will be between an Orange Flag on the RC boat and a yellow Cylinder
- 9.3 The Finish will be between a Blue Flag on the RC boat and a Yellow Cylinder

10. Pin Boat

10.1 A mark boat may be near the pin end of the start/finish line and may be a reference/source of information to the person calling the line. Mark boats are to be considered "obstructions," even when not anchored.

12. Changes of Course After the Start

12.1 Without signal, marks may be moved to keep the course aligned with the wind before any boat has begun the affected leg.

13. Time Limits

13.1 Class Time limit:

Target Time: 30-40 mins

Boats will be finished in place if they are unable to finish within 10 minutes of the first place finisher

14. Protests

- 14.1 Protesting boats shall notify the Race Committee of their intent to file a protest as soon as possible after finishing a race. This changes RRS 60.3 B
- 14.2 Protests must be written on forms available at the CCSC Main Office and lodged with Main Office personnel no later than 75 minutes after the last boat finishes
- 14.3 Notice of protest and a list of boats involved, including names of witnesses, and the schedule of hearings, will be posted on the Race Committee Notice Board no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit ends
- 14.4 It is each boat's sole responsibility to check the notice board promptly after the end of protest filing time to see if she is cited in a protest.

15. Scoring

- 15.1 The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply
- 15.2 3 Races shall be completed to constitute a regatta
- 15.3 When five (5) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

16. Safety

- 16.1 All competitors shall wear a personal flotation device (PFD) at all times while afloat, except temporarily while changing clothes.
- 16.2 A boat that retires from a race at any time after it has checked in with the Race Committee must notify the RC or mark set boat before leaving the course.
- 16.3 After Sailing each day, coaches must check in with the Main Office and verify that their sailors made it to shore. Failure to comply will incur a 1 point penalty to each related competitor added to the last race of the day the infraction occurred.
- 16.4 Each Day, upon arrival to the course area each boat must check in with the race committee by sailing astern of the RC boat on starboard and hail their sail number

17. Support Boats and Coaches

- 17.1 Support Boats and Coaches shall Monitor VHF channel 65 and shall act as rescue boats if so instructed by the Race Committee
- 17.2 We ask that all Support and Coach Vessel maintain a respectful distance away from the race course once racing is underway so as to not impede or affect competitors with wake.

18 Awards

- 18.1 The first three (3) teams shall receive an award. Awards will be given to the top three female teams.
- 18.2 Awards will be given to both skipper and crew members of a team.
- 18.3 The top 2 eligible male/mixed and the 2 eligible female teams will be named to the US Sailing Youth National Team, based on the criteria posted here: https://www.ussailing.org/olympics/selection/

19 Further Information

19.1 For Further Information Please contact

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The Course: W4

Rounding Order: Start-1- 2p/2s-1-2p-Finish

