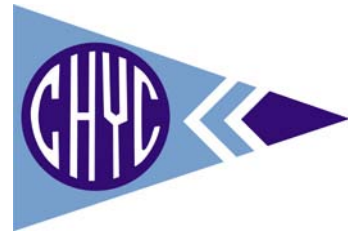




NOTICE OF RACE

**2.4 Meter Mid Winters
Championships**
Open Event
Port Charlotte, Florida USA
December 08 - 09, 2015



1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

The Charlotte Harbor Yacht Club & U.S. 2.4mR Class Association.

2. RULES

- 2.1 The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 2.2 Sail changes will be permitted between races. However, no sail changes will be permitted between the first warning signal for a race and the start of that race.
- 2.3 Where the Notice of Race conflicts with the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing instructions shall apply.
- 2.4 This is an "Open Event" boats sailed (2.4mR design rule) and open for AB & Disabled sailors.

3. ADVERTISING

- 3.1 Advertising is restricted per ISAF Regulation 20.2.1 and Table 1 to Event Advertising only.
- 3.2 Boats will be required to display the advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the International 2.4mR Class. All participants are encouraged to be a member 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 <http://www.regattatech.com/events/CHYC/24mRMidwinter15> or by contacting Martin Holland at martinh@LDreeves.com or 941-286-0722 by Dec. 07 2015
- 4.3 Registration is open from 1500 - 1800 hours Dec 07, 2015. and 0800 until 0930 hours on Dec 08, 2015.
- 4.4 All boats should have a 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: 125.00 US

6. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

6.1 Registration - Monday 12/07/2015 1500 - 1800 hours or Tuesday 12/08/15 0800 - 0930 Hours. **(Onsite Check in is required)**

6.2 Launching will be allowed Monday at 1400 – 1800 hours and Tuesday 0800 - 1000

6.3 Competitors meeting: 0930 hours 12/08/15

6.4 Scheduled time of warning signal and planned number of races

Date	Time of First Warning	# of Races Planned
Tuesday 12/08/2015	1030 hours	3 races
Wednesday 12/09/2015	1030 hours	3 races

No warning signal after 1500 hours on Wednesday 12/09/2015

6.5 Social schedule (Competitors meals & Continual breakfast are included in their registration fee) Additional dinners will be available for \$25.00

Tuesday: Continental Breakfast 0800, Cook-out, Cash Bar, 1700hrs - estimated

Wednesday Continental Breakfast 0800 Awards Ceremony at Dinner Cash Bar.

1700hrs - estimated.

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 should be available or on file with the NCA.

7.2 Sails must have valid 2.4 class or sail-maker certification marks, or evidence of recent regatta measurement compliance.

7.3 The following items may be checked for compliance; towline, installed manual pump, bow fitting for rescue towing.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Preliminary sailing instructions will be available at

<http://www.regattatech.com/events/CHYC/24mRMidwinter15> and at

www.us24meter.org by November 15, 2015. Final sailing instructions will be available at registration.

9. VENUE

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

10. The Courses

The courses will be windward-leeward windward or a double windward-leeward with a race duration of approximately 45 to 90 minutes.

11. SCORING

11.1 The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A will apply.

11.2 There will be up to 6 races sailed, of which 2 are required to be completed to constitute the series.

12. COMMUNICATION AND SUPPORT BOATS

12.1 VHF radios are recommended as the Race Committee may broadcast information on courses, premature starters, or safety instructions on Channel 68.

12.2 Support boats are allowed and shall be marked with a white flag on a staff.

13. BERTHING AND HAULOUT RESTRICTIONS

There will be no haul out restrictions.

14. PRIZES

Prizes will be given to the top three overall finishers.

15. 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.

16. 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.

17. FURTHER INFORMATION

17.1 For regatta information contact Martin Holland at martinh@LDReeves.com or 941-286-0722

17.2 Hotel Information:

Microtel Inn & Suites – 1.1 miles
4056 Tamiami Trail
Port Charlotte, FL 33952
(941) 624-6339
<http://www.microtelinn.com>

PG Waterfront Hotel & Suite - 3.2 miles
300 Retta Esplanade
Punta Gorda, Florida 33950
(941) 639-1165
pgwaterfront.com

Microtel Inn & Suites – 1.1 miles
4056 Tamiami Trail
Port Charlotte, FL 33952
(941) 624-6339
<http://www.microtelinn.com>

Four Points by Sheraton - 3.7 miles
33 Tamiami Trail
Punta Gorda, FL 33950
(941) 637-6700
<http://www.starwoodhotels.com/fourpoints/index.html>