



**2017 SAMI Bud Light Regatta
April 7 - 9, 2017**

**Organizing Authority (OA) – Sailing Association of Marco Island (SAMI)
Marco Island Yacht Club, Marco Island, FL**

**NOTICE OF RACE
REVISED APRIL 7, 2017**

The notation [DP] in a rule in the notice of race (NOR) means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1 RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

2.1 The regatta is open to all multihull and self-righting, single-hulled enclosed cabin sailboats that conform to their class rules and hold a valid West Florida PHRF (WFPHRF) rating, or are assigned a rating by the OA or are a recognized one-design boat racing in a one-design class in this event.

2.2 Boat owners who are not members of WFPHRF will have a temporary WFPHRF rating assigned to them for this event at the discretion of the OA.

2.3 The Organizing Authority reserves the right to group similar boats together. The following classes may be formed depending upon the entries received:

PHRF Spinnaker A	PHRF Non-spinnaker	PHRF Multihull
PHRF Spinnaker B	PHRF True Cruising	One-Design

A minimum of 3 entries is required to form a class.

2.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the attached entry form and sending it, together with the required fee (cheque made payable to the 'Sailing Association of Marco Island'), to Sailing Association of Marco Island, c/o Rob Reiley, 919 Iris Ct., Marco Island, FL 34145.

2.4 The entry form shall be accompanied by a copy of a WFPHRF rating certificate (if not a one-design class).

3 FEES

3.1 Required fees are as follows:

a) Saturday racing: Before April 1st - **\$45** USD with proof of US Sailing Membership
\$55 USD for non-US Sailing members
After April 1st - **\$60** USD with proof of US Sailing Membership
\$70 USD for non-US Sailing members

Fee includes complimentary Bud Light beer at the Competitors' Meeting and the Awards Ceremony and two regatta t-shirts.

b) Sunday racing only: **\$10** USD

4 SCHEDULE

4.1 **Friday, April 7, 2017**

Location: Dockmaster's Office at MIMA (Marco Island Yacht Club)

5:30 pm Registration & Check-in

6:00pm Competitors' Meeting

4.2 **Saturday, April 8, 2017 "Bud Light Regatta" a BOTY event**

9:55am First warning signal. Subsequent races to follow.

3:00pm No warning signal after this time.

6:00pm "Margarita" themed party at the Marco Island Yacht Club. Food, music,

and a margarita special. Skippers admitted free and all crew/guests are \$25.00 PP. A maximum of 4 races are scheduled.

The organizing authority reserves the right to keep like boats together, even if this action overrides the boats separation by rating. Where needed, the boat shall continue to use its actual rating for all purposes, except it shall sail in the class assigned to it.

4.4 Sunday, April 9, 2017 Pursuit Race *not* a BOTY event

10:55am First Warning Signal for Pursuit Race

5:30pm Cocktails at The Old Marco Lodge and Crab House, Goodland, FL.

Free Bud Light will be served. Dinner may be ordered off of the menu.

6:00pm Awards ceremony

5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions, Addendum A (showing the courses) and fleet splits with ratings will be available on the SAMI website (www.samisailor.org) on Friday April 7, at registration and at the Competitors' Meeting.

6 VENUE

The racing area will be in the Gulf of Mexico, off of Marco Island, offshore of the Marriott Hotel.

7 THE COURSES

The courses to be sailed, the bearing and approximate distance to the first mark will be posted on the course board display on the Race Committee signal boat.

8 PENALTY SYSTEM

8.1 For the multihull classes, RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-turn Penalty.

8.2 For boats with a spinnaker flying, RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty as long as the boat flies the spinnaker again immediately after taking the penalty.

9 SCORING

9.1 Race results will be calculated using the Time on Distance scoring method.

9.2 For the SW Florida BOTY series, the race results will be re-scored as per the SW Florida BOTY method.

9.3 One race is to be completed to constitute a series.

9.4 No races shall be excluded.

10 RADIO COMMUNICATION

10.1 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 except that a crew member may place or receive calls of a personal nature that do not involve the exchange of information which could affect the boat's outcome in the race. This changes RRS 41. [DP]

11 PRIZES

11.1 Prizes will be awarded to the first three teams in each class for classes with five or more boats entered.

11.2 Additional awards may be presented.

20 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, during, or after the regatta.

21 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000USD per event or the equivalent.

22 FURTHER INFORMATION

All official notices will be posted on the official notice board and on the SAMI website (www.samisailor.org).

For further information please contact Race Chairman Rob Reiley (239) 389-0057.

PRACTICAL INFORMATION (NOT PART OF THE NOTICE OF RACE)

1. Dockage:

Contact Elmer Wheeler (239) 642-2531 at Marco Island Marine Assoc (Yacht Club). Dockage is also available at the Marina at Factory Bay (Pier 81) at (239) 389-2929, at the Rose Marco River Marina at (239) 394-2502 or you may wish to anchor in Factory Bay. Contact Rob Reiley (239) 389-0057 with any questions.

2. Lodging:

Marco Island Lakeside Inn	(239) 394-1161
Boat House Motel	(239) 642-2400
Olde Marco Inn & Suites	(239) 394-3131
Marriott	(239) 394-2511
Hilton	(239) 394-5000