NOTICE OF RACE
SNIPE CLASS INTERNATIONAL RACING ASSOCIATION
International Snipe Class North American Championship
Birney Mills Memorial Trophy North American Snipe Championship
Kim Thompson Perpetual Trophy North American Snipe Champion crew
October 5 – 8, 2018
(amended section 16, 7/13/18)

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY:
San Diego Yacht Club, in co-operation with the Snipe Class International Racing Association (SCIRA).

1. RULES:
1.1. The regatta will be governed by:
1.2. The rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing. (RRS)
1.3. The SCIRA Rules of Conduct (RoC) for Conducting National and International Championship Regattas.
1.4. The Deeds of Gift as they apply to the Snipe Class North American Championship.
1.5. The prescriptions of the national authority, US Sailing, do not apply except as provided in their prescription to RRS 88.2. Applicable US Sailing Prescriptions are stated fully in Attachment 1 available on event website.
1.6. An international Jury will be composed in accordance with Appendix N. The decision of the jury will be final in accordance with RRS 70.5.
1.7. RRS Appendix P will apply.
1.8. RRS 30.4 will not be used.
1.9. RRS 32.1 will be changed so that a sustained wind variation of 20 degrees or more from the posted bearing during the first leg of a race shall result in that race to be abandoned and re-sailed, or abandoned.
1.10. RRS 32.1 will be changed so that a sustained variation of 40 degrees or more off the posted bearing during the first lap shall result in that race being abandoned and re-sailed or abandoned. For the purpose of this rule a lap means the rounding of downwind mark for the first time.
1.11. RRS 32.2 will be changed to request at least two windward legs before shortening the course.
1.12. RRS 33 will be changed so that after completion of the first windward leg of the race the remaining legs may be increased or decreased by not more than 30% of the original length.
1.13. RRS 35 will be changed to provide that boats not finishing within 30 minutes after the first boat to sail the course and finish will be scored “Did Not Finish” without a hearing.
1.14. If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2. ADVERTISING:
2.1. Advertising is permitted in accordance with WS Regulation 20.
2.2. Boats may be requested to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.
3. ENTRY AND ELIGIBILITY:
3.1. This regatta is open to SCIRA registered boats and Class Member skippers and crews who are in good standing with SCIRA for the current year, subject to any Deed of Gift restrictions.
3.2. No skipper or crew shall be eligible to enter a class championship race unless:
3.2.1. They possess and present a current Class Membership Card, or
3.2.2. SCIRA-issued equivalent, or
3.2.3. Shows as current member in the SCIRA Official Online Database.
3.3. Additional eligibility requirements for LIMA 2019 Qualifier only:
3.3.1. The requirements of the Qualifying System as published by the Pan-American Sailing Federation (http://panamsailing/1292-2) shall apply for all boats competing to qualify their countries in the Snipe Mixed for the 2019 Pan American Games, Lima, Peru. The 2018 North American Championship will qualify the top 4 countries (not previously qualified) in the Snipe Mixed event at the 2019 Pan American Games.
3.3.2. Competitors intending to qualify a country in a LIMA 2019 event designated as MIXED will be required to compete as MIXED in the Qualifying Regatta.
3.3.3. A competitor may qualify a country for the 2019 Pan American Games only when eligible to represent that country under IOC rules. IOC Nationality rules shall apply to all members of the crew.
3.3.4. Once a competitor has qualified an NOC in any event he or she may not thereafter qualify another NOC, irrespective of any change in their nationality as defined by the IOC, or their ability to claim multiple nationalities.
3.3.5. Athletes from a minimum of three countries must compete in the relevant event at a Qualifying Regatta for it to be considered valid.
3.3.6. All competitors must be at least 15 years old in the year of the Pan American Games.

4. FEES:
4.1. Registration is available until 1700 Pacific Daylight Time (“PDT”) on Wednesday, September 5, 2018, one (1) month prior to the official start of the North American Championship.
4.2. Eligible competitors may enter by completing an online entry form and submitting it electronically together with the required entry fee to 2018 Snipe North American website at sdyc.org/snipena2018
4.3. The entry fee is $200 US Dollars, due by Wednesday, September 5, 2018.
4.4. All entrants are required to complete onsite check–in and measurement by 1700 PDT, Friday, October 5, 2018.

5. SCHEDULE
5.1. Check-in and Measurement
5.1.1. .. Friday October 5, 2018 0800 to 1200 & 1300 to 1700
5.2. Competitors Meeting
5.2.1. .. Friday October 5, 2018 1800
5.3. Schedule of Races:
5.3.1. .. Saturday October 6, 2018 3 Races Scheduled, Warning Signal 1200
5.3.2. .. Sunday October 7, 2018 3 Races Scheduled, Warning Signal 1200
5.3.3. .. Monday October 8, 2018 3 Races Scheduled, Warning Signal 1200 Awards 1800

6. MEASUREMENT:
6.1. All boats shall be presented for Level 1 inspection including corrector weights, daggerboard safety line and mast retaining system. Boats and equipment shall be presented in a dry, clean and salt-free condition. The Race Committee may extend the inspection time.
6.2. Inspection will take place adjacent to SDYC Malin Burnham Sailing Center.
6.3. All boats may be required to produce a valid measurement certificate or show as ‘full’ on member data base. Boats are subject to inspection/measurement at any time at the reasonable discretion of the Class or Race Committee.
6.4. All boats are required to have a current Class decal properly displayed.
7. **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:**
7.1. The Sailing Instructions will be available onsite at registration/check-in set forth in schedule 5.1

8. **VENUE:**
8.1. Races will be sailed in the area known as the “Coronado Roads” in the Pacific Ocean.

9. **COURSES:**
9.1. The courses to be sailed are the Class approved courses for Championship regattas as published in the SCIRA web site.

10. **SCORING:**
10.1. The Low Point Scoring System, RRS Appendix A, will apply, modified according to SCIRA Deed of Gift and to allow for a scoring penalty for failure to check in prior to the start. (Amends RRS A4).
10.2. When five (5) or fewer races are completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores. No scores will be excluded.
10.3. When more than five (5) races are completed a boat’s series score will be the total of her races scores excluding her worst score.

11. **SUPPORT BOATS:**
11.1. Any support boat shall register with the Organizing Committee and may be assigned an identification flag to be made visible on their boat throughout the event. All support boats will be required to monitor and respond to VHF radio traffic if hailed.

12. **INSURANCE:**
12.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of $300,000 per incident or the equivalent.

13. **RADIO COMMUNICATION:**
13.1. Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats.

13.2. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

14. **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**
14.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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, prior to, during, or after the regatta.

15. **PRIZES:**
15.1. The Birney Mills Memorial Trophy and Kim Thompson Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the North American Snipe Championship skipper and crew. Chuck Loomis Trophy will be awarded to the top Junior. Other prizes will be awarded based on number of registered boats.

16. **QUALIFICATIONS FOR SUBSEQUENT EVENT:**
16.1. See NOR 3.3
16.2. The top 2 US senior teams will qualify for the 2019 Open Worlds entry.
16.3. The top 2 US junior teams will qualify for the 2019 Junior Worlds entry.

17. **CONTACT**
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