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PANAMA SAILING LEAGUE

RS QUEST One-Design Fleet Racing

2023







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2023 PANAMA SAILING LEAGUE

Act 1: June 24

Act 2: July 15 - Rooster Cup

Act 3: Aug. 19

Act 4: Sep. 23

Act 5: Oct. 22

Act 6: Dec. 10 - Ron Abuelo Cup National Championship

Organizing Authority (OA): Club Sea Masters Sailing – SMAP

Notice of Race

1. Events

1.1. The events described below will be organized by SMAP-Club Sea Masters Sailing (OA) who will designate affiliated Marinas/Clubs. The affiliated Marinas for 2023 are: Shelter Bay Marina.

2. Rules

- 2.1. The league will be governed by the World Sailing (WS) Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2021-2024.
- 2.2. In case of conflict between Notice of Race (NoR) and Sailing Instructions (SIs), the Sailing Instructions and following Notices will prevail (this changes RRS 63.7).
- 2.3. RRS Rule 40 is changed as follows: Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices while on the water, except for brief periods while changing or adjusting clothing.
- 2.4. Appendix V Rule V1 (PENALTY AT THE TIME OF AN INCIDENT) shall apply: The first two sentences of Rule 44.1 are changed to: A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or Rule 31 while racing. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.
- 2.5. Appendix V Rule V2 (PENALTY TAKEN AFTER A RACE) shall apply.



3. Sailing Instructions

3.1. Sailing instructions will be available by 18.00 on the day before the first schedule racing day on the event page: www.seamasterspty.com/psl

4. Communication

4.1. The official online notice board is located at seamasterspty.com/psl

5. Eligibility and Entry

- 5.1. The regatta is open to all dinghy sailors in the Republic of Panama.
- 5.2. The 2023 league is to be sailed in the SMAP fleet of RS QUEST type boats.
- 5.3. Registration closes Sunday, June 19, 2023 at 2330.
- 5.4. To be considered an entry in any of the acts/events, a Team-<u>Skipper</u> shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 5.5. Only the Team-<u>Skippers</u> are ranked in the general classification/ranking of the league. Crews will not be ranked.

6. Regatta Format

- 6.1. For act/event 1, 2, and 3 only four (4) boats will be available, therefore a maximum of four (4) Team-Skipper can register.
- 6.2. For act/event 4, and 5 only six (6) boats will be available, therefore a maximum of four (6) Team-Skipper can register.
- 6.3. When more registered Team-<u>Skipper</u> than boats are available, allocation of boats will be on "first come first served" basis. There will be no boat rotation.

7. Fees



- 7.1. Entry fee for single act/event 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, per Team-Skipper is:
 - 7.1.1. SMAP MEMBER = \$50
 - 7.1.2. NON-SMAP = \$100
- 7.2. Entry fee for act/event 6 National Championship, per Team-Skipper is:
 - 7.2.1. SMAP MEMBER = \$75
 - 7.2.2. NON-SMAP = \$150
- 7.3. Charter Boat fee for each act/event is \$150
- 7.4. Entry fee includes post-racing snacks and beverage on race days. Sailors must bring their own lunch during racing.
- 7.5. Entry fees include: use of private facilities, marina fees, post-race snacks & beverages
- 7.6. Boat charter fee for all acts/events include: boat insurance, safety deposit, lifejacket,
- 7.7. Entre fee for act/event 6 National Championship include food, beverage, happyhour, awards and prizes.

8. Team-Skipper Categories

- 8.1. {G} General 2 to 3 adult sailors
- 8.2. {AY} Adult-Youth 2 to 3 sailors including at least 1 U18 and 1 adult
- 8.3. {U18} 2 or 3 sailors, all U18

9. Schedule

- 9.1. Races are scheduled for June 24, July 15, August 19, September 23, October 22, December 10
- 9.2. The first warning signal for all three events is scheduled for 10:30
- 9.3. The race committee will attempt to run 4-6 races each day and no more than 6 races.



5. Venue

5.1. Racing for all 6 acts will be on Bahía Limón, Fort Sherman, Cristobal Colón.

6. Courses

- 6.1.Courses to be sailed will be windward/leeward or Course TL-triangle, Leeward finish with starboard roundings.
- 6.2. Diagram of the courses will be available on the SIs sailing instructions.

7. Time Limits

- 7.1. The target time for the first boat to sail the course and finish is 20 minutes.
- 7.2. Boats failing to finish within 10 minutes after the first boat in the fleet that sails the course and finishes will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes RRS 35.

8. Scoring

- 8.1. One race completed will be considered a regatta.
- 8.2. A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. No scores will be excluded
- 8.3. The boat with the lowest series score wins and others shall be ranked accordingly. This is the Low Point System.
- 8.4. A team that did not start, did not sail the course, did not finish, did not compete, retired or was disqualified shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats entered in each event/act.
- 8.5. The general scoring of the PANAMA SAILING LEAGUE 2023 will consist in the following regulation:
 - 8.5.1. A Team-<u>Skipper</u> that does not participate in an event, or in one or more races in a regatta for which she has completed registration, will be classified with a score that corresponds to DNC in that event for each race completed but missed by the



- boat DNC: a boat that did not come to the starting area, shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats entered in the event.
- 8.5.2. The PANAMA SAILING LEAGUE 2023 general classification ranking will be calculated by adding all the races completed in the individual events 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6.
- 8.5.3. Only Team-Skippers will be ranked, crews are not ranked in the PANAMA SAILING LEAGUE 2023.

9. Prizes

- 9.1. For the PANAMA SAILING LEAGUE 2023 the top three Team-Skippers of the general classification will be awarded.
- 9.2. For the PANAMA SAILING LEAGUE 2023, the following categories will be awarded as followed:
 - 9.2.1. The top one Team-Skipper of the Adult-Youth category will be awarded.
 - 9.2.2. The top one Team-Skipper of U18 will be awarded

10.Notices to Competitors

10.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the Sea Masters Academy (SMAP) office

11. Signals Made Ashore

11.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed at bulletin board on SMAP office and the flagpole at SMAP venue

12. Changes to Sailing Instructions

12.1. Any changes to the sailing instructions on the first day of racing will be posted after the skipper's meeting.



12.2. Changes may be implemented on-the-water with "L" flag displayed and hailing competitors to the signal boat for instructions.

13. Disclaimer of Liability & Risk Statement

- 13.1. 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 or prior to, during, or after the regatta.
- 13.2. RRS Rule 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

14. Practical Info

- 14.1. Food—there will be no breakfast and no lunch provided for the any of the events/acts except for event/act 6–National Championship
- 14.2. A post racing happy hour will take place on each event/act following racing.
- 14.3. Water bottles-please bring refillable water bottles.

15. Further Information

15.1. For further information, please contact: Guillermo Gasperi, <u>info@seamasterspty.com</u> , +507-6607-2941