

The 80th Lauderdale Yacht Club Boomerang Regatta

Notice of Race

When March 1-2, 2025

Where Lauderdale Yacht Club

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1.0 Authority

This regatta is organized under the authority of the Lauderdale Yacht Club, governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of U.S. Sailing, the class rules of each class invited to compete, the Sailing Instructions, and any other applicable rules. In case of a conflict of any of the above the Sailing Instructions will prevail (this changes RRS 63.7).

2.0 Classes & Entry

- **2.1** The regatta is open to the following classes: International Optimist Dinghy (all fleets), ILCA 7, ILCA 6, ILCA 4, and Snipe. A minimum of five boats per class is required.
- Each boat racing on the ocean course must be accompanied to, at, and from the racing area by a RIB or similar powerboat between 15' and 30' LOA capable of serving as a safety boat. The safety boat will be required to carry a radio capable of transmitting and receiving on VHF 69, 71, and 72, and to follow the instructions of the Race Committee.
 - **2.2.1** Up to eight ILCAs may share one safety boat in a maximum 8:1 ratio.
 - **2.2.2** Up to eight Optimists may share one safety boat with a maximum 8:1 ratio.
 - **2.2.3** The Snipe Class may share one safety boat.
- 2.3 On-line Registration and entry fee payment is available via Regatta Network on the Lauderdale Yacht Club sailing website, <u>www.lycsailing.com.</u> Discounted registration ends **February 25, 2025**. On-line registration will end **February 28, 2025**. Boats entering the event must check in on-site to complete registration to be eligible to compete.
- 2.4 It is the intent of the Race Committee to race ILCAs, Snipes, and Optimists from the Red, Blue, and White fleets in the Atlantic Ocean, approximately 1 mile south of the Port Everglades Inlet. Alternatively, if conditions dictate, the Ocean Course may be set approximately 1 mile north of the Port Everglades Inlet. In case of inclement wind, sea, or inlet conditions, the Ocean Course PRO, in his sole discretion, may implement Launch Condition Protocols which limit some categories of Optimist sailors to the inside course. Optimists from the Green Fleet will race on the inside ("Boomerang") course (West of the Intracoastal Waterway, in view of the Lauderdale Yacht Club).

3.0 Schedule

Friday, February 28, 2025	1730 – 1900	Early arrival registration and check in
Saturday, March 1, 2025	0730 - 0845 0915 0945 TBA	Check-In Ocean Course Skipper's Meeting - LYC Pavilion Inside Course Skipper's Meeting – LYC Pavilion First Warning
Sunday, March 2, 2025	TBA 1500 1530	First Warning No Ocean Course warning after this time No Inside Course warning after this time.

The number of races for each class, courses to be sailed, and the scoring system will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

4.0 Sailing Instructions

Sailing Instructions will be online only, with separate SIs for the Inside Course and the Ocean Course. The Sailing Instructions will describe the scoring system to be used, the number of scheduled races, the courses and restrictions and requirements for coach, support and spectator boats.

5.0 Awards

Awards will include first through fifth place for classes with ten or more boats and first through third for classes with fewer than ten. The Race Committee may award additional awards, including the following:

Gar Wright Award – Opti Red Fleet Champion

Clyde W. Wright II Award – Top Junior sailor on the Ocean Course from either the Optimist or ILCA class.

Ron Payne Trophy – Top team in the Snipe Class

Special Boomerang Participation Awards - for all Green Fleet Sailors

6.0 Safety

- All Ocean classes, except for Snipes, must carry a tow line of at least 25 feet in length and at least 1/4 inch in diameter. Snipe class competitors must use class legal towlines of 15 meters (50 feet) and 6 mm (5/16") minimum diameter.
- 6.2 The route from the Lauderdale Yacht Club to the Ocean Course transits an active commercial, military, and recreational port subject to a variety of unique maritime regulations and safety conditions. Care must be taken by all sailors, coach boats, and spectator boats to abide by all state and federal laws and to obey the instructions of the Race Committee.

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