

The International 5.5 Metre Class Scandinavian Gold Cup S.I. 2008

March 2 – 6, 2008

Nassau Yacht Club, Nassau - Bahamas

NOTICE OF RACE

Organizing Authority:

- 1.1 The Scandinavian Gold Cup 5.5 S.I. 2008 will be held from March 2 to March 6, 2008 at the Nassau Yacht Club (NYC) in Nassau – New Providence, Bahamas. The Organizing Authority is the Nassau Yacht Club.

2 Rules:

- 2.1 The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2005-2008* and the rules governing the Scandinavian Gold Cup of the International 5.5 Metre Class. The prescriptions of the Bahamas Sailing Association will not apply.

3 Advertising:

- 3.1 Advertising will be restricted to Category C as amended in the rules governing the World Championship of the International 5.5 Metre Class.

4 Eligibility & Entries:

- 4.1 Challenges are to be delivered by the National Authorities to: NASSAU YACHT CLUB | Att: 5.5 Regatta Chair | PO Box N-752, Nassau – Bahamas | +1 242 393 5132 tel. | +1 242 393 81 84 fax | 5.5worlds@NassauYachtClub.org. Challenges will be accepted until Mar-2, 2008. This changes Scandinavian Gold Cup rule 3.2.
- 4.2 The entry form shall be accompanied by a copy of a valid certificate of rating.

5 Fees:

- 5.1 The entry fee is \$525.00 and must be paid before the regatta.
- 5.2 Payment can be made in cash at the registration desk or by credit card.

6 Schedule:

Date	Item	Time – Location
Mar-2	Registration & Measurement Opening Ceremony Gold Cup	0900 – 1700 1800 – NYC
Mar-3 / Race Day 1	Warning Signal	1200
Mar-4 / Race Day 2	Warning Signal	1200
Mar-5/ Race Day 3	Warning Signal	1200
Mar-6 / Race Day 4	Warning Signal	1100
Mar-7 / Race Day 5	Warning Signal	1100
Mar-8	Gold Cup Prizes Presentation	Lyford Cay Yacht Club

7 Measurements:

- 7.1 Each boat shall produce a valid rating certificate.
- 7.2 Boats shall be available for measurements on Sunday Mar-2.
- 7.3 Chartered or loaned boats may display national letters on their sails that do not conform to the requirements of 5.5 Metre Class Rule 16 and ISAF Rule 77, provided that the substitute national letters and sail numbers are unique to that boat.

8 Sailing Instructions:

- 8.1 Sailing Instructions will be available at the registration desk on Mar-2.

9 Venue:

- 9.1 Courses will be set in a racing area off the east end of New Providence Island, east of Montagu Bay in the area known as Douglas Road.

10 The Course:

- 10.1 The course to be sailed will be a “Windward – Leeward” course with three upwind legs and three down-wind legs to be sailed to a down-wind finish.

11 Penalty System:

- 11.1 Rules 44.1 and 44.2 are changed so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required.

12 Scoring:

- 12.1 A yacht that has not won a race after three races shall no longer compete.
- 12.2 The yacht that first wins three races shall be declared the winner.

13 Support Boats:

- 13.1 Teams leaders, coaches, support and spectator boats shall stay outside from areas where the boats are racing from the time of the Warning Signal until all boats have finished or the Race Committee signals a postponement or abandonment. Specific and additional “Support Boat” instructions may be stated in the Sailing Instructions.

14 Berthing:

- 14.1 Boats shall be kept at NYC.

15 Haul-Outs Restrictions:

- 15.1 All boats must be afloat before 1800 on the day preceding the first scheduled race.
- 15.2 Boats shall not be hauled-out during the regatta, except with the written permission of the international Jury.

16 Prizes:

16.1 In accordance with the Rules governing The Scandinavian Gold Cup for the International 5.5 Metre Class.

17 International Jury:

17.1 An International Jury will be constituted in accordance with RRS 90(b) and Appendix N.

17.2 Decisions of the International Jury will be final in accordance with RRS 70.4

18 Disclaimer of Liability:

18.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race.

18.2 The Organizing Authority, the International 5.5 Metre Class Association and the Bahamas Sailing Association and their officers, members and volunteers do not accept liability for loss of life or property, or personal injury or damage caused by or arising out of the The International 5.5 Metre Class Scandinavian Gold Cup S.I. 2008. The establishment of the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions in no way limits or reduces the complete and unlimited responsibility of a competitor for the management of the boat he or she is sailing.

19 Insurance:

19.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$1,000,000 USD per event or the equivalent.

20 Further Information:

20.1 On the Web at www.5point5worlds2008.nassauyachtclub.org

20.2 By email to 5.5worlds@NassauYachtClub.org

20.3 By telephone: +1 242 393 5132 or Fax: +1 242 393 8184