SNIPE CLASS INTERNATIONAL RACING ASSOCIATION SNIPE SOUTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP 2027

22 – 28 March 2027
Yacht Club Uruguayo (YCU)
Montevideo – Uruguay

NOTICE OF RACE

In all rules governing this regatta the notations:

[NP] denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a boat and for which the International Jury may refuse to conduct a hearing. This changes RRS 60.1 and 63.2(a).

[SP] denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the Race Committee or Technical Committee without a hearing or a discretionary penalty applied by the International Jury with a hearing. *(This changes RRS A5.1)*

1. RULES:

1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2025 – 2028.

1.2. The SCIRA Rules of Conduct for Conducting National and International Championship Regattas (RC). (https://snipe.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/01/RoC-0220251231-Clean-copy.pdf)

1.3. The Deed of Gift. (https://snipe.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/04/SAC-DoG-041426.pdf)

1.4. For purposes of country qualification for the 2027 Pan American Games, the Qualifying System and Regatta Schedule, Sailing - 2027 Pan American Games, Lima, Peru (Qualifying System), shall apply. and can be found at: https://static1.squarespace.com/static/5b9cfb7db27e39d99a3d3686/t/6a11f26c2adf244805a91f8e/1779561068685/Sailing+QS+260521.pdf

1.5. RRS 60.2(a)(1) is changed as follows: 'If the protestor is a boat, she shall hail 'Protest' at the first reasonable opportunity and she shall inform the Race Committee Finish Vessel immediately after finishing, or as soon as practicable after she retires (and before discussing her intent with any support person), of the boat(s) she intends to protest'.

1.6. RRS 60.4(a)(2) is changed as follows: "(2) if it alleges a breach of a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 and is from a boat that was not involved in, and did not see, the incident, or…"

1.7. **[NP][DP]** Competitors and support persons shall promptly comply with any reasonable request or instructions from the Regatta officials, including the officials in charge of the boat parking, beach master and the harbor/channel traffic.

1.8. An International Jury will be appointed in accordance with rule RRS 91(b). Decisions of the Jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.3(a).

1.9. RRS Appendix P will apply.

1.10. If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.

2. ADVERTISING:

2.1. The Organizing Authority may require all participating boats to display the sponsor's advertising event in accordance with World Sailing Advertising Code.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY:

3.1. This regatta is open to SCIRA registered boats for the current year, subject to any Deed of Gift restrictions.

3.2. Eligible boats may enter by completing online registration at https://forms.gle/Ex99xoqpW4oVh6Bi9 no later than March 20th, 2027. Entries may be accepted after this date only with approval by the OA on a case-by-case basis.

3.3. Only boats that have completed all registration and Class Rules requirements will be allowed to compete. Note – completed registration includes payment of entry fee.

3.4. No crew shall be eligible to enter any Class championship race unless shows as an active member in the SCIRA Official Online Database.

3.5. A helmsperson shall be designated in the entry form. The designated helmsperson must be at the helm while racing except in the event of an emergency involving the safety of the boat or crew.

3.6. Entries will automatically be classified in the Overall category and may choose additional categories from each series, if applicable: Mixed, Master, Junior or Women.

4. REGISTRATION:

4.1. Crews shall confirm their entry by presenting their documents at the Championship Office no later than 18:00 on 24 March.

5. ENTRY FEE:

5.1. The fee shall be paid by bank transfer to the Yacht Club Uruguayo account according to the following table:

Date	Amount
Before 1 March	US$ 350
From 1 March to 22 March	US$ 420

- **Beneficiary name:** Yacht Club Uruguayo
- **Bank name:** ITAU
- **Account number:** 750653
- **Account type / currency:** Current account / USD

6. SCHEDULE

6.1. Event Schedule

Date	Times	Event
Monday 22 March	09:00 – 18:00	Registration / Measurement
Tuesday 23 March	09:00 – 18:00	Registration / Measurement
Wednesday 24 March	13:00 TBD	Practice Race Opening Ceremony
Thursday 25 March	13:00	First warning signal
Friday 26 March	13:00	First warning signal
Saturday 27 March	13:00	First warning signal
Sunday 28 March	11:00 TBD	First warning signal Prize Giving Ceremony

6.2. Eight (8) races are scheduled.
6.3. A maximum of two (2) races will be sailed per day.
6.4. A third race in a day may be sailed only to make up for abandoned races or to validate the Championship.

7. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION AND MEASUREMENT:

7.1. [DP] Initial Equipment Inspection: All boats and personal equipment, including sails and personal flotation devices, shall be presented for inspection during the scheduled inspection hours. Boats shall be presented dry, clean and free of salt. The Technical Committee or the Race Committee may extend the Initial Equipment Inspection hours.
7.2. Measurement will take place at the Yacht Club Uruguayo.
7.3. [NP][DP] The measurement certificate shall be presented during the initial equipment inspection. (This changes RRS 78.2)
7.4. A boat or her equipment may be inspected at any time to check compliance with the class rules, the notice of race and the sailing instructions.
7.5. [NP][DP] When instructed by a race official on the water, a boat shall proceed to a designated area for inspection.
7.6. All boats shall have a current SCIRA sticker correctly displayed.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

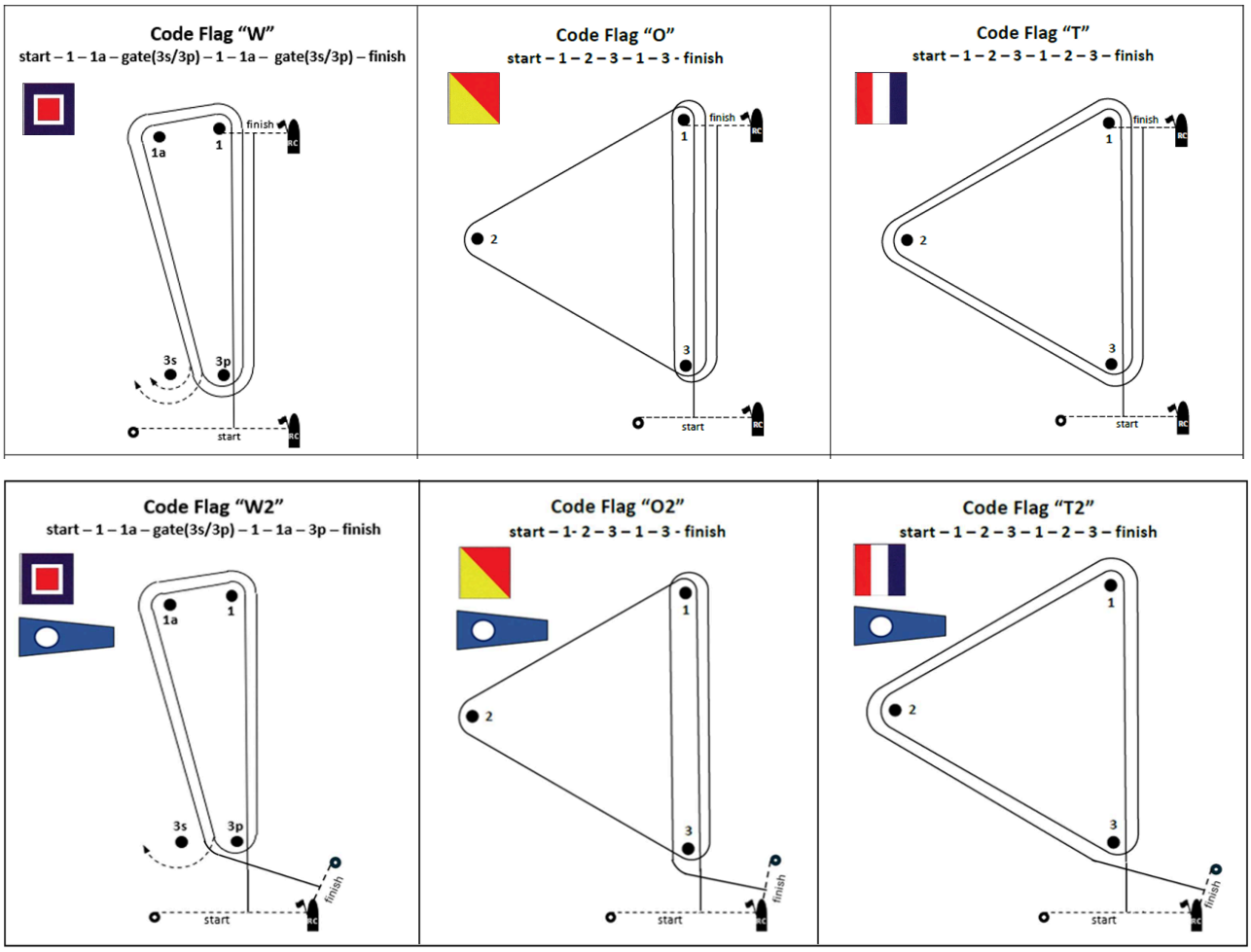
8.1. The Sailing Instructions will be available on the official website no later than 09:00 on 22 March.

9. VENUE:

9.1. The races will be sailed on the Río de la Plata, off the coast of Buceo.

10. COURSES:

10.1. The courses to be sailed will be the courses approved by the Class for the races, as published on the SCIRA website.



11. SCORING:

11.1. The Low Point Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply, as modified in accordance with the SCIRA Deed of Gift.

11.2. Three (3) completed races will constitute a valid Championship.

11.3. When five (5) or fewer races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

11.4. When more than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst eligible score.

12. SUPPORT BOATS:

12.1. Support Persons shall register at the Regatta Office within the time limit specified in NoR 4.1 including the competitors related to him/her. The Organizing Committee will assign an identification, which shall be displayed visibly on the boat throughout the event.

12.2. Between the preparatory signal and the starting signal, Support Vessels must be positioned at least 50 meters below the starting line. After the starting signal Support Vessels may follow the fleet, but only on the starboard side of the course and must stay 50 meters from any mark or any boat racing.

12.3. Each support vessel shall have a working VHF radio and monitor the radio, an anchor suitable for anchoring in the waiting area, keycord, and a basic first aid kit.

12.4. Minors

12.5.1 All coaches, parents, guardians and 'designated adults' are support persons (See RRS definition *Support person*).

12.5.2 In addition to the requirements of RRS 3 Decision to Race, an adult (parent, guardian or designated adult) is responsible for the safety of their competitor. It is the responsibility of this adult to decide if their competitor should sail in the weather and sea conditions that might arise during the event. The adults supervising the competitors are ultimately responsible for the risks.

12.5.3 Parents not personally attending any part of the event shall ensure that another adult is authorized and designated to make these decisions for their sailor.

12.5.4 Each competitor shall indicate in writing at Registration the parent or adult representative that will be responsible for the competitor throughout the event.

12.5.5 The designated adult shall accept full responsibility for all actions of the competitor during any activity related to the event. This includes on shore activities before, during, and after the races.

13. RADIO COMMUNICATION:

13.1. A boat shall not make radio transmissions while racing, nor receive radio communications not available to all boats.

13.2. This restriction also applies to mobile phones.

14. QUALIFICATION FOR SUBSEQUENT EVENTS:

14.1. PANAMERICAN GAMES QUALIFIER

a) For purpose of country qualification for the 2027 Pan American Games, the Qualifying System and Regatta Schedule, Sailing -2027 Pan American Games, Lima, Peru (Qualification System), shall apply.

b) This event is designated as a qualifier for the Pan American Games shall conform with formats approved by Panam Sailing.

c) A competitor may qualify a country for the 2027 Pan American Games only when eligible to represent that country under IOC and Panam Sports and World Sailing rules and shall provide their valid World Sailing ID number to the organizer.

d) Country Qualification will be announced by PanAm Sailing.

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY:

15.1. Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The OA 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.

15.2. Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor and the responsible adult agree and acknowledges that:

a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omission;
d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.

16. MEDIA RIGHTS:

16.1. By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the OA and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use, and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recording, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.

17. PRIZES:

17.1. Prizes will be awarded to:

- Overall: Top 5 skippers and crews.
- Master Category: Highest place
- Mixed Category: Highest place
- Junior Category: Highest place
- Women's Category: Highest place

17.2. The South American Trophy will be awarded to the winning team of the Overall Classification.

17.3. The South American Junior Challenger Trophy will be awarded to the winning team of the Junior category.

18. KEY CONTACTS:

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