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SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE 2009 ACURA MIAMI GRAND PRIX

IN THOSE INSTANCES WHERE CLASS RULES FOR ONE DESIGN BOATS RACING AS A ONE DESIGN CLASS CONFLICT WITH THESE SAFETY REQUIREMENTS, THE CLASS RULES SHALL TAKE PRECEDENCE

Sailing is an inherently risky activity and it is the ultimate and final responsibility of the skipper, owner and crew to use their best judgment regarding participating in any race, continuing in a race, and use of safety equipment and procedures.

The skipper and/or owner are responsible for assuring that the yacht is seaworthy and equipped with all safety equipment appropriate for the prevailing and expected conditions. Each crewmember shall familiarize themselves with the location and proper use of all such equipment. The skipper and/or owner and crew shall utilize all appropriate safety equipment whenever conditions warrant.

The safety requirements for equipment and procedures are as follows:

1. Requirements of the applicable US Coast Guard Regulations for type and size of vessel
Summary of requirements at http://www.uscgboating.org/safety/fedregs/equ_refchart.htm
2. Requirements as stated in one design class or applicable handicap rules
3. Requirements as stated in the regatta's Notice & Conditions of Race and Sailing Instructions
4. The 2008 ISAF Offshore Special Regulations, Category 4, with the exception of sections 3.04.3, 3.04.4, 3.04.5, 3.04.6, and 3.04.7 (stability); 3.08.2(a) (hatches); 3.27.2 (position of navigation lights); 3.29.1e (VHF transceiver); 4.01.2 (display of sail numbers while sails are down); 4.08.5 (Medical training); 4.10 (radar reflector), 4.26.4.g (specific storm trysail and mainsail reefing requirements); and 5.01.2 (SOLAS life jacket requirements). In Section 4.22.1.a - the self igniting light on the lifebuoy device is not required. Section 4.23 (pyrotechnic signals) shall be met by meeting the applicable US Coast Guard Regulations for type and size of vessel.
These regulations can be found at: <http://www.isaf.org/1906.php>
5. A Man Overboard practice maneuver shall be practiced by all entries

Reminder on Rendering Assistance:

Racing Rules of Sailing Fundamental Rule 1.1 states: "A boat or competitor shall give all possible help to any person or vessel in danger."

A SIGNED COPY OF THIS DOCUMENT SHALL BE KEPT ABOARD THE BOAT DURING THE 2009 ACURA MIAMI GRAND PRIX AND AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION UPON REQUEST.

BOAT NAME: _____ **SAIL NUMBER:** _____

OWNER/SKIPPER: _____

Signature: _____ **DATE:** _____