



2016 F18 Nationals



Hosted by Sandy Hook Bay Catamaran Club
NOTICE OF RACE
September 19 to 23, 2106

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. The International Formula 18 Catamaran Class Rules shall apply.
- 1.3. If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1. Advertising shall conform to the current ISAF Regulation 20 and the Class Rules.
- 2.2. Boats may be required to display bow numbers and/or advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. Regatta is open to current members of their respective Formula 18 Catamaran Associations.
- 3.2. Competitors must be members of their respective National Authority or one of its affiliated organizations.
- 3.3. Eligible boats may enter by completing the online entry form at regattanetwork.com and paying the required fee as detailed in NOR 4.
- 3.4. The following documents shall be provided at the time of on-site check-in.
 - 3.4.1. A copy of a valid measurement certificate.
 - 3.4.2. A copy of the current insurance certificate including the terms of insurance.
 - 3.4.3. Proof of class membership as per NOR 3.2.
 - 3.4.4. Proof of age for Masters or Junior competition as per NOR 14.
- 3.5. Boats may be required to carry a tracking device with tracking enabled at all times during the race, which shall be supplied for the sole purpose of entertainment for after race replay and analysis. Tracking devices shall be supplied by the organizing authority.

4. FEES

- 4.1. The entry fee shall be \$330USD per boat prior to June 19, 2016.
- 4.2. The entry fee shall be \$380USD per boat from June 19, 2016 to August 18, 2016.
- 4.3. The entry fee shall be \$430USD per boat from August 19, 2016 to September 18, 2016.
- 4.4. The entry fee shall be paid by credit card online at the time of registration.
- 4.5. A completed entry is defined as all forms having been completed on-line, all fees paid and all appropriate documents having been accepted by the host club prior to the event.



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5. SCHEDULE
 - 5.1. Registration/Competitor Check In – Sunday, September 18 from 10:00 to 15:00.
 - 5.2. Measurement and Inspection
 - 5.2.1. Saturday, September 17 from 10:00 to 15:00.
 - 5.2.2. Sunday, September 18 from 10:00 to 15:00.
 - 5.3. Racing
 - 5.3.1. Practice races – Sunday, September 18 13:00.
 - 5.3.2. Competitors meeting – Monday, September 19 9:00.
 - 5.3.3. Racing
 - 5.3.3.1. Monday, September 19 warning signal first race of Day 1 11:00.
 - 5.3.3.2. Tuesday, September 20 warning signal first race of Day 2 11:00.
 - 5.3.3.3. Wednesday, September 21 warning signal first race of Day 3 11:00.
 - 5.3.3.4. Thursday, September 22 warning signal first race of Day 4 11:00.
 - 5.3.3.5. Friday, September 23 warning signal first race of Day 5 10:00.
 - 5.3.4. A maximum of fifteen (15) races are scheduled.
 - 5.3.5. A maximum of five (5) races per day are scheduled.
6. MEASUREMENT

Each boat shall comply with the equipment measurement rules of its class and may be inspected for compliance at any time during the regatta at the discretion of the Protest Committee.
7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available at on-site check in.
8. VENUE

The regatta will be sailed in Sandy Hook Bay, NJ and adjacent waters. The regatta office and launch facility will be located at Sandy Hook Bay Catamaran Club, Atlantic Highlands, NJ.
9. COURSE

A windward-leeward course will be used.
10. PENALTY SYSTEMS

Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
11. SCORING
 - 11.1. Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
 - 11.2. When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - 11.3. When five (5) to ten (10) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
 - 11.4. When more than ten (10) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two (2) worst scores.
12. PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICES (PFD) AND PERSONAL EQUIPMENT



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Competitors shall wear a personal flotation device (PFD) approved by their National Authority while on the water other than for brief periods while adding or removing clothing. The PFD shall be the appropriate size for the sailor (US Sailing Regulation 10).

13. RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

14. PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows:

14.1. The 2016 Formula 18 Nationals Champion title will be awarded to the top finishing US entry.

14.2. The 2016 US Formula 18 Masters Champion title will be awarded to the top finishing entry where the sum of the crew ages shall be greater than 85 on the first day of competition.

14.3. The 2016 US Formula 18 Youth Champion title will be awarded to the top finishing entry where both crew members are age 23 or younger on the first day of competition.

14.4. Overall number of prizes will be awarded based on the number of entries.

15. RIGHT TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

By participating in this event a competitor automatically grants to the organizers and its sponsors the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him or her during the period of the competition without compensation.

16. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See 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.

17. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with minimum coverage of US\$100,000 or the equivalent.

18. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact:

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