



NACRA 15
2019 North American Championship
November 8-10, 2019
Sarasota Youth Sailing (OA)
Sarasota, FL

The notation [DP] in a rule in the SI means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

Sailing Instructions

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2. The prescriptions stated in US Sailing Appendix V *Alternative Penalties* will apply.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board: Location to be provided at check in.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 on the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed by the outdoor classroom near the SYS multihulls.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 (45) minutes' in the race signal AP.

5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1. Up to 8 races are scheduled for the regatta.
- 5.2. Friday

Check-in and Registration:	0830-1000
ODP Clinic	1000-1800

5.3. Saturday

Competitors Meeting:	0930
First Warning Signal –	1100
Lunch is NOT provided	
Dinner at SSS	After Racing

5.4. Sunday

First Warning Signal	1030
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5.5. No warning signal will be made after 1430

5.6. Awards and Pizza after Racing

6. CLASS FLAGS

6.1. The class flag will be a white flag with Nacra class logo.

7. RACING AREAS

7.1. The racing area will be in Sarasota Bay

8. THE COURSES

8.1. The diagrams in Attachment “A” show the courses, including the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left.

9. MARKS

9.1. Marks 1, 2g will be yellow cylinders

9.2. New marks, as provided in instruction 11.1, will be an orange inflatable.

9.3. The starting, finishing, and offset marks will be orange spheres.

9.4 Where there is a gate, if one of the gate marks is missing, the remaining gate mark will be left to port.

9.5 In the event of a change of the next leg of the course, the offset mark (mark 1a) will not be relocated. All boats shall round the new mark, leaving it to port.

10. THE START

10.1. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.

10.2. A boat that does not start within ten (10) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

11. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

11.1. To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

12. THE FINISH

12.1. The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee finishing boat and the course side of the nearby finishing mark.

13. PENALTY SYSTEM

13.1. Appendix V *Alternative Penalties* will apply.

13.2 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns is replaced by the One-Turn penalty.

14. TIME LIMITS

14.1. The time limit for the first boat to finish is 60 minutes.

14.2. If no boat has passed Mark 1 within 30 minutes, the race shall be abandoned.

14.3. Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

15. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

15.1 Any intent to file a protest Must be reported on the water, to the signal boat, at the conclusion of the race in which the incident occurred.

15.2 A breach of Class Rule C.11.3 (d) will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This change is added to RRS 60.1 (a).

15.3 Protest forms are available at the SYS Trailer office. Protests and requests for redress shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

15.4 The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day, or 45 minutes after the signal boat docks, whichever is later.

15.5 Notices will be posted no later than 15 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room at the time posted.

15.6 Notices of protests by the race committee, technical committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).

15.6 Breaches of instructions 17 and 19 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

15.7 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2

16. SCORING

16.1. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

16.2(a) When fewer than six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b) When six or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

16.3. A score of (TLE) will be two points more than the last boat to finish within the time limit, but not worse than last place. This changes RRS A4 and A11.

17. SAFETY REGULATIONS

17.1 Check-In: Boats shall check in with the race committee signal boat before the first race of each day. [DP]

17.2 Personal flotation devices complying with USCG regulations shall be worn.

17.3 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible. [DP]

17.4 All boats shall carry a line of at least 30 feet in length and strong enough that the boat and crew can safely be towed with this line. [DP]

18. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

18.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions.

19. SUPPORT BOATS

19.1 Team leaders, coaches, other support personnel, and spectators, shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment – unless there is a safety issue where a boat needs assistance. [DP]

20. TRASH DISPOSAL

20.1. Trash may be placed aboard support or official boats.

21. RADIO COMMUNICATION

21.1 Boats may not carry VHF radios or communication devices. Headphones and earpieces are prohibited.

21.2. The Race Committee will operate on VHF Channel 68 or alternate Channel 69.

22. PRIZES

22.1 Prizes will be given as follows:

- The top three (3) boats of the regatta.
- Other additional prizes may be awarded.

22.2 The regatta winners will be awarded the title “2019 Nacra 15 North American Champions”

23. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

23.1. 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.

24. INSURANCE

24.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 per incident or the equivalent.

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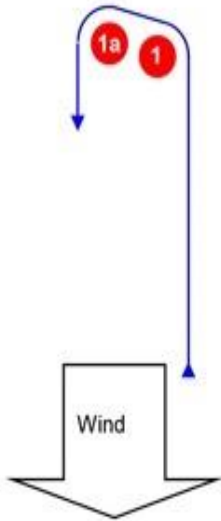
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APPENDIX A

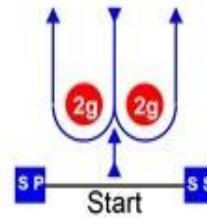
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Course: Leeward finish

Signal	Mark Rounding Order
4	Start - 1 - 1a - 2g - 1 - 1a - Finish
6	Start - 1 - 1a - 2g - 1 - 1a - 2g - 1 - 1a - Finish

W



Course: Windward Finish

Signal	Mark Rounding Order
5	Start - 1 - 1a - 2g - 1 - 1a - 2g - Finish

Course Signal Number = number of legs excluding offset mark leg.