



2021 RS Aero North American Championship

June 3-6, 2021
Bay St. Louis, Mississippi

NOTICE OF RACE

Organizing Authority:
Bay Waveland Yacht Club
1 Yacht Club Drive, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
www.bwyc.org

Endorsed by the RS Aero North American Class Association

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. Rule 40 is changed as follows: Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment (code flag Y need not be displayed).

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1. Competitor advertising shall be restricted to World Sailing [Regulation 20](#), Advertising Code.
- 2.2. Boats may be required to display advertising and/or bow numbers chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- 3.1. The regatta is open to all boats of the RS Aero Class.
- 3.2. All competitors must be current members of the North American RS Aero Association or their equivalent national Class Association. Non-members can register online [here](#).
- 3.3. Eligible competitors may enter the regatta by completing the online registration and fee payment found at www.regattanetwork.com/event/21755.
- 3.4. Competitors will be required to agree to a waiver of liability as a condition of eligibility. This waiver shall be completed at the event check-in.
- 3.5. Boats will be divided by rig sizes (5, 7, and 9) for starting and scoring. If a rig fleet has fewer than 5 boats entered, it may be started with another fleet.

4. FEES

- 4.1. The entry fee is \$125.00 for entries completed with payment on or before May 4, 2021 (early registration).
- 4.2. The late entry fee is \$150.00 for entries completed or paid after May 4, 2021.
- 4.3. Entries will not be accepted after 1000 on June 4, 2021.
- 4.4. Entry fees include complimentary boat storage during the regatta, post-racing refreshments, and regatta dinner.
- 4.5. Entry fee refunds will be processed according to the following policy:
 - 4.5.1. withdrawal prior to the close of early registration: 100% refund
 - 4.5.2. withdrawal after early registration deadline: 50% refund
 - 4.5.3. withdrawal within 7 days of regatta start date: 0% refund
 - 4.5.4. Cancellation of the regatta by the Organizing Authority or RS Aero North American Class for any reason including Covid-19: 100% refund

5. SCHEDULE

Thursday, June 3	1100-1300	Regatta Clinic Check-in and Rigging
	1300	On the water portion of Regatta Clinic
	1500	Practice Race
	1630	Clinic Debrief
Friday, June 4	0830-1030	Check-in at Bay Waveland Yacht Club
	1030	Competitors Meeting
	1200	First Race Warning
	After Racing	Competitor Social
Saturday, June 5	1100	First Race Warning
	1800	Regatta Dinner at Bay Waveland Yacht Club
Sunday, June 6	1030	First Race Warning
	1430	No warning signal will be made after
	ASAP after Racing	Awards Presentation

5.1. The maximum number of races scheduled is 12.

6. INSPECTION & MEASUREMENT

6.1. All boats and sails shall comply with current [RS Aero Class Rules](#). Spot checks by the measurement committee may be performed on any boat at any time during the event.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

7.1. The Sailing Instructions will be available at event check-in and posted on www.regattanetwork.com/event/XXXXX no later than 1100 Wednesday, June 3.

8. VENUE

8.1. The racing area will be on the Bay of Saint Louis.

8.2. Shore facilities (restrooms, boat storage and launching, camping, and meals) are all located on the Bay Waveland Yacht Club grounds.

9. COURSES

9.1. The courses will be around buoys set by the race committee as described in the Sailing Instructions.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

10.1. Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, will apply and is changed as follows:

10.1.1. In P2.1, *First Penalty*, the word "first" is deleted.

10.1.2. P2.2 and P2.3 are deleted.

10.2. The following US Sailing Prescription will apply: [Appendix V1](#) (two-turn penalty replaced with a one-turn penalty except in the zone around turning marks).

11. SCORING

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

11.2. When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When 5-9 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. When 10 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

12. SUPPORT BOATS

12.1. All support boats must register at the BWYC Race Office during the check-in period to receive berthing assignments.

12.2. During racing, support boats shall monitor the race committee VHF channel and remain more than 50 yards from the course area, except when asked to assist by the race committee.

13. BERTHING

13.1. RS Aeros shall be kept in designated areas of the beach and and/or designated boat storage areas.

13.2. To arrange boat storage outside of the event period, contact the Eugene Schmitt, Regatta Co-Chair.

14. PRIZES

14.1. Prizes will be awarded to the top finishers in each of the three rig divisions, the first woman, and the first junior (18 and under). A junior shall not reach their 19th birthday in the 2021 calendar year. The number of prizes will be adjusted to suit the number of competitors pre-registered in each division.

14.2. Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organizing authority.

15. RISK, DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY, & PERSONAL CONDUCT

15.1. Competitors participate in the regatta 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.

15.2. Competitors will accept full responsibility for all their actions during any activity related to this event. This includes on-shore activities before, during, and after the regatta.

16. RIGHT TO USE NAME & LIKENESS

16.1. By participating in this event, all competitors grant the organizers and sponsors the right to make, use and show, at any time and at their discretion, any photographs or videos of them produced during the period of the event without compensation.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Local Lodging:

Nearby Hotels

Bay Town Inn, Bay St. Louis (1 mile): <https://baytowninn.com/>

Hollywood Casino & Resort, Bay St. Louis (2 miles): www2.hollywoodcasinostlouis.com/

Hotel Whiskey, Pass Christian (6 miles): <https://www.hotelwhiskey.com/>

Holiday Inn Express, Long Beach (11 miles): www.ihg.com/holidayinnexpress/hotels/us/en/long-beach

Short Term Rentals

The area offers numerous options for short term rentals. Simply search airbnb.com or vrbo.com. Any vacations rentals located in Bay St. Louis or Pass Christian should be close enough the regatta venue.

Camping

There is limited onsite camping available at the Bay Waveland Yacht Club for both RV and tent camping. Contact Eugene Schmitt at eugene@urbanproperties.com to make prior arrangements.

Charter Boats:

Limited charter boats are available for regatta. Contact Hank Saurage at hank@sr-cre.com.

Regatta Clinic:

For specific information on the Regatta Clinic on Thursday, contact Marc Jacobi at usa@rsaerosailing.org.

Additional Information or Questions:

For more further information, contact Regatta Co-Chairmen:

Hank Saurage at hank@sr-cre.com and/or

Eugene Schmitt at eugene@urbanproperties.com