



2022 RS Aero North American Championship

May 19 - 22, 2022

Tampa, Florida

NOTICE OF RACE

Organizing Authority:

Davis Island Yacht Club

1315 Severn Ave, Tampa, Florida, 33606

<http://www.diyc.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* (RRS).
- 1.2. RRS 40.1 applies.
- 1.3. No US Sailing Prescriptions will apply except the prescription to RRS 67, listed in full below.

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](#).
- 3.3. Eligible competitors may enter the regatta by completing the online registration and fee payment found at <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/23369>.
- 3.4. Competitors will be required to agree to a waiver of liability as a condition of eligibility.
- 3.5. Boats may 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 \$150.00 plus tax (\$161.25) for entries completed with payment on or before April 28, 2022 (early registration).
- 4.2. The late entry fee is \$175.00 plus tax (\$188.13) for entries completed or paid after April 28, 2022.
- 4.3. Entries will not be accepted after 1000 EST on May 20, 2022.
- 4.4. Entry fees include complimentary boat storage during the regatta, post-racing refreshments, and breakfast each race day.
- 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: 50% refund
 - 4.5.3. Withdrawal within seven 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: 100% refund

5. SCHEDULE

Thursday, May 19	1100-1300	Check-in and Rigging
	1300-1700	Regatta Clinic
	1600	Practice Racing
	1830	DIYC Social Race
Friday, May 20	0830-0930	Check-in at Davis Island YC
	0930	Competitors Meeting
	1100	First Race Warning
	Post racing	Competitor Social
Saturday, May 21	1100	First Race Warning
	1800	Regatta Dinner at Davis Island YC

Sunday, May 22	1100	First Race Warning
	1430	No warning signal will be made after
	ASAP after racing	Awards Presentation

6. INSPECTION & MEASUREMENT

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

The Sailing Instructions will be available at event check-in and posted on <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/23369> no later than 1100 Wednesday, May 17, 2022.

8. VENUE

The racing area will be in Hillsborough Bay, South of Davis Island Yacht Club.

9. COURSES

The courses will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 10.1. The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: ‘A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while racing. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.’
- 10.2. Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, will apply and is changed as follows:
 - In P2.1, First Penalty, the word “first” is deleted.
 - P2.2 and P2.3 are deleted.

11. SCORING

- 11.1. One race must be completed to constitute a series.
- 11.2. When five or more races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

12. SUPPORT BOATS

- 12.1. All support boats shall be registered with the organizing authority and will be required to comply with event support boat requests.
- 12.2. Support boats shall monitor the race committee VHF channel and remain outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first fleet to start until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall, abandonment, or requests assistance.
- 12.3. All support vessels shall be equipped with a functioning engine safety cut-out switch (kill switch) which shall remain attached to the support person (operator) at all times while the engine is on. Support vessels shall check-in with the RC Signal vessel before the first race of each day to demonstrate compliance. Failure to comply may be misconduct and result in expulsion from the event.

13. BERTHING

- 13.1. RS Aeros shall be kept in designated areas of the beach and/or designated boat storage areas. A map of the grounds will clearly identify this area.
- 13.2. To arrange boat storage outside of the event period, contact Ryan Schenck, regatta co-chair ry.schenck@gmail.com.

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

Sailing is an activity that carries with it an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors participate in these Regattas entirely at their own risk and are reminded to pay special attention to RRS 3, Decision to Race. The race organizers include the Organizing Authority, the Davis Island Yacht Club, Race Committee, Protest Committee, sponsors, volunteers, or any other affiliated organization or official who will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury, illness, or disease to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of practice for or participation in this event during shoreside or on-the-water activities. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

16. RIGHT TO USE NAME & LIKENESS

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.

17. COVID-19 STATEMENT

Competitors are required to follow World Health Organization guidelines with regards to COVID-19 and respect and abide by the rules of the Organizing Authority's COVID-19 mitigation efforts.

US Sailing Prescription to RRS 67: After rule 67 add

US Sailing prescribes that:

- (a) *A boat that retires from a race or accepts a penalty does not, by that action alone, admit liability for damages.*
- (b) *A protest committee shall find facts and make decisions only in compliance with the rules. No protest committee or US Sailing appeal authority shall adjudicate any claim for damages. Such a claim is subject to the jurisdiction of the courts.*

- (c) *A basic purpose of the rules is to prevent contact between boats. By participating in an event governed by the rules, a boat agrees that responsibility for damages arising from any breach of the rules shall be based on fault as determined by application of the rules, and that she shall not be governed by the legal doctrine of 'assumption of risk' for monetary damages resulting from contact with other boats.*

Further Information

Getting Here:

If flying, Tampa International Airport (TPA) has regular domestic flights and nonstop flights from the UK and Europe. TPA is rated as the best airport in its size category in North America for good reason. It is one of the easiest airports to navigate and is located close to just about anything people travel to Tampa for. If you are flying, the regatta venue is only 15 minutes by car.

Local Lodging:

Select Nearby Hotels:

[Embassy Suites Convention Center](#), walking area downtown along water
[Aloft Tampa Downtown](#), chic and trendy in downtown Tampa
[Floridian Palace Hotel](#), historic hotel in downtown Tampa
[Le Méridien Tampa](#), beautiful boutique hotel in an old courthouse downtown
[Tahitian Inn](#), classic Florida hotel and a budget friendly option not too far
[Aloft Tampa Midtown](#), affordable and trendy south Tampa

Short Term Rentals:

The area offers numerous options for short term rentals. Simply search <https://www.airbnb.com> or <https://www.vrbo.com>. Any vacation rentals located in South Tampa (Hyde Park, Riverfront, Downtown, Ybor, and Davis Islands) should be close enough to the regatta venue.

Davis Island Yacht Club Member Hosting:

Davis Islands Yacht Club has a friendly and welcoming member base with several people willing to host fellow sailors. Spaces are limited, please contact Ryan Schenck at ry.schenck@gmail.com to arrange.

Camping:

There is limited onsite camping available at the Davis Island Yacht Club for both RV and tent camping. Contact Ryan Schenck at ry.schenck@gmail.com to make prior arrangements.

Charter Boats:

Charter boats will be provided by Zim Sailing and can be reserved by filling out their Charter Agreement Form at <https://zimsailing.com/charter/>. Charter boats are limited, reserve early!

Regatta Clinic:

E-mail Marc Jacobi at usa@rsaerosailing.org to register. The clinic fee is \$75.00 paid on the day of the clinic (cash is preferable). The Regatta Clinic includes an on land portion with rigging tips, RS Aero sail trim/controls, and an on the water portion with drills.

Additional Information or Questions:

For more information, contact regatta co-chairs:

Ryan Schenck at ry.schenck@gmail.com or Michael Gold at mgold99@gmail.com

Note: Davis Island Yacht Club accepts credit cards, but not cash.