# 2022 RS Aero North American Championship

**May 19 - 22, 2022**
**Tampa, Florida**

# SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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 the Notice of Race.

## 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board at the Regatta Network event site http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/23369.  As a courtesy, notices may also be posted on the lower-level West wall of the Clubhouse.

**3.    CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**
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 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

**4.    SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**
4.1.    The signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole at the West end of the property.
4.2.    When flag AP is displayed ashore '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in race signal AP.

**5.    SCHEDULE OF RACES**

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| **Thursday, May 19** | 1100-1300 | Check-in |
| | 1600 | Practice Racing |
| | 1800 | DIYC Social Race* |
| **Friday, May 20** | 0830-0930 | Check-in |
| | 0930 | Competitors Meeting |
| | 1100 | First Race Warning |
| **Saturday, May 21** | 1100 | First Race Warning |
| **Sunday, May 22** | 1100 | First Race Warning |
| | 1430 | No warning signal will be made after |

\* The RS Aero competitors are invited to participate in the DIYC Thursday Night Race in the Portsmouth class. The Portsmouth warning is 1830. Please see NoR 5 for the full social schedule and information on the clinic.

**6.    CLASS FLAG**
All boats will start together.  The class flag will be a white flag with the RS Aero logo.

**7.    THE COURSES**
7.1.    The diagrams in Appendix A show the courses, including the approximate angle between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
7.2.    The course identifier will be displayed from the signal vessel before the warning signal.

**8.    MARKS**
8.1.    Marks 1, 2, and 3 will be yellow tetrahedrons.
8.2.    A new mark, as described in SI 10, will be a orange tetrahedron.
8.3.    The starting marks will be a race committee vessel displaying an orange flag and a green tetrahedron.
8.4.    The finishing marks will be a race committee vessel displaying a blue flag and a small orange ball.

**9.    THE START**
9.1.    The start line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
9.2.    To alert competitors that a race will start soon, the orange line flag will be displayed, with one sound signal, at least five minutes before the warning signal.
9.3.    A boat starting later than five (5) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.
9.4.    Individual and General Recall flags may also be displayed by the race committee vessel anchored outside of the port end starting mark. **These are not official flags under RRS 29. The timing of these flags or lack of these flags shall not be considered grounds for redress, changing RRS 62.1.**
9.5.    The race committee will not hail the sail numbers of boats that are OCS.
9.6.    For unofficial information only, the race committee will attempt to post the sail numbers of boats being given a starting/finishing penalty (from the then-current race) on a board on the side of the finish boat opposite the

finishing line.  An error or omission in these postings will not be grounds for redress.  This changes rule 62.1(a).

## 10. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the gate or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable.

## 11. THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee vessel and the course side of an orange ball. (corrected 5/19/22)

## 12. PENALTY SYSTEM

12.1.   See NoR 10.1.

12.2.   Appendix P will NOT be used. This changes the Notice of Race

## 13. TIME LIMIT AND FINISHING WINDOW

13.1.   The race time limit is 90 minutes.

13.2.   Boats still racing 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored TLE without a hearing. This changes RRS 35.

## 14. SCORING

14.1.   Races will be scored using the RYA handicap system ONLY for the purpose of determining a single overall champion.

14.2.   Divisions will be scored separately.

14.3.   TLE score will be the number of finishers plus two.

## 15. HEARING REQUESTS

15.1.   Protest forms are available from the Jury Secretary, located in or in the vicinity of the Regatta Room on the lower level of DIYC.

15.2.   The protest time limit is 45 minutes after the RC signal vessel docks after the last race of the day or when RC signals no more racing today, whichever is later.

15.3.   Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

15.4.   Hearings will be held in the Regatta Room (lower level of DIYC) or outside the Regatta Room on the lower level of the Clubhouse.

15.5.   Scoring Inquiries shall be submitted online at the Regatta Network Notice Board (far right tab): https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/23369#_newsroom

## 16. SUPPORT VESSELS

16.1.   Attention is called to NoR 12.3 requiring verification of kill-switch operation.
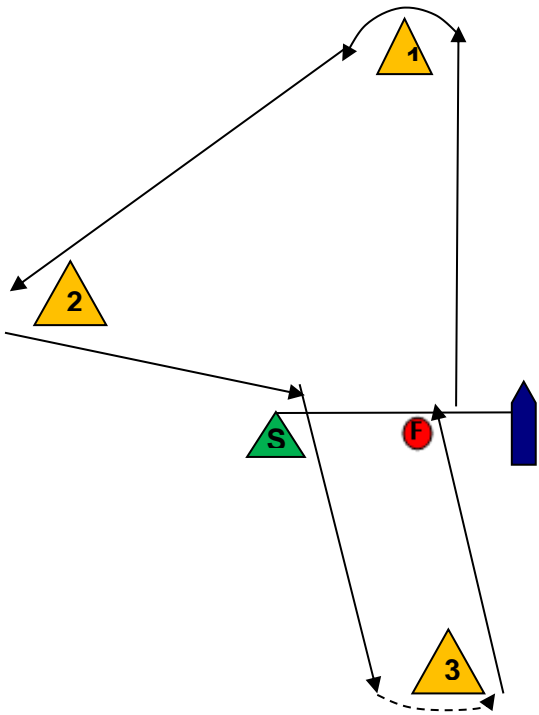
16.2.   The race committee will use VHF channel 72.

## 17. PRIZES

17.1.   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.

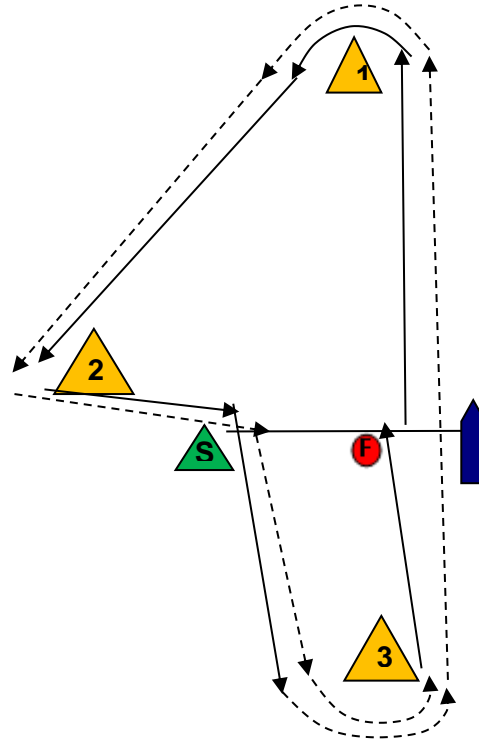17.2.   Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organizing authority.

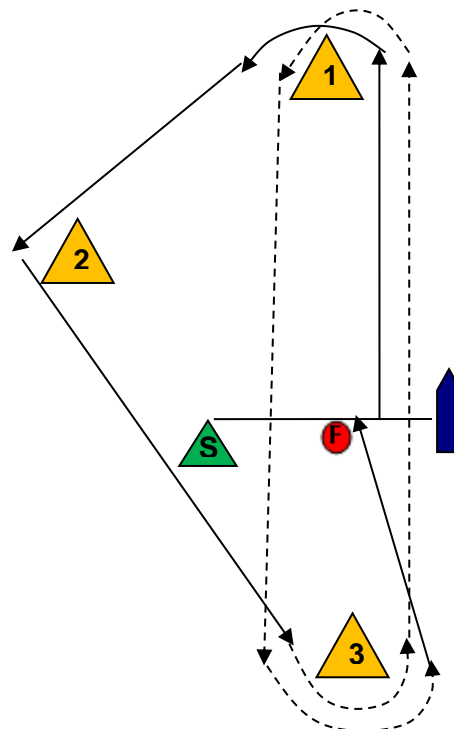# Appendix A – COURSE DIAGRAMS

## Course   H1



Start, 1 (port), 2 (port), S (starboard), 3 (port), finish

## Course   H2



Start, 1 (port), 2 (port), S (starboard), 3 (port), 1 (port), 2 (port), S (starboard), 3 (port), finish

## Course   TW



Start, 1 (port), 2 (port), 3 (port), 1 (port), 3 (port), finish