



RS AERO WORLDS 2022 COLUMBIA RIVER GORGE

2022 RS Aero World Championship

Columbia Gorge Racing Association (CGRA)
on behalf of the International RS Aero Class Association (IRSACA)

June 24 – July 1, 2022
Cascade Locks, Oregon, USA

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The US Sailing prescriptions that apply are stated in NoR Addendum A.
- 1.3 [DP] RRS 40.1 will apply while boats are racing.
- 1.4 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text takes precedence.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be posted on or before June 20, 2022, at regattanetwork.com/event/23410.

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The official notice board is located online at regattanetwork.com/event/23410.
- 3.2 Supplemental information will be posted on the south wall of the CGRA Race Office.
- 3.3 While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.
- 3.4 Boats may carry fixed video recording equipment attached to any part of the boat or person, provided this equipment is not remotely controlled.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to all boats of the RS Aero 5, RS Aero 7, and RS Aero 9 classes sailed by a member of the RS Aero Class Association (see NoR 22. Further Information for membership link).
- 4.2 Eligible boats may enter the event by registering online at regattanetwork.com/event/23410.
- 4.3 [DP] Competitors agree to sign and comply with a waiver of liability as a condition of eligibility. This waiver may be completed at [online registration](#). NOTE: Additional waivers and/or agreements may be required to comply with COVID-19 regulations in effect at the time of this event (see COVID-19 Safety Measures, below).
- 4.4 [DP] A Waiver of Liability and Consent form must be completed and signed by the parent or guardian of any competitor under the age of 18. Forms may be completed, signed, and submitted at [online registration](#), or printed and submitted to the CGRA Race Office at check-in.
- 4.5 To be considered an entry in the event, a competitor shall complete all registration requirements, including online entry, liability waivers, fee payment, equipment inspection, and check-in at the CGRA Race Office.
- 4.6 Except as provided in NoR 4.7, no entries will be accepted after June 24, 2022.
- 4.7 Any competitor choosing to change rigs during the championship will complete a 'New entry - change of rig' form at the Race Office no later than one hour before the first warning signal for the race affected by the change. The new entry will be covered by the original entry fee. At the first reasonable opportunity after receipt of the change of rig form, the Organizing Authority will arrange to have the new sail stamped and the previous sail invalidated. Only one change of rig will be permitted, and the new rig will then be used for the remainder of the championship. The score for all previous races with the new rig and all subsequent races with the original rig will be DNC.

5. FEES

5.1 Entry fees are as follows (all deadlines are midnight Pacific Daylight Time on the date indicated):

Entry Fee paid on or before April 1, 2022	Entry Fee paid on or before June 1, 2022	Entry Fee paid on or before June 24, 2022
(USD) \$435.00	(USD) \$475.00	(USD) \$525.00

5.2 Refunds for cancellation of entries are as follows:

When requested on or before June 1, 2022	When requested on or before June 15, 2022	When requested after June 15, 2022
100%	50%	No Refund

5.3 Entry fee includes all days of racing, boat storage during the event, post-race refreshments, and admission to all social events.

5.4 Additional tickets to social events may be purchased at online registration or at the CGRA Race Office.

5.5 Marina berthing for support vessels is \$10.00/day on a space available basis. Contact the CGRA Race Office at susan@cgra.org for details.

6. ADVERTISING

6.1 [DP] Boats may be required to display advertising and/or carry equipment supplied by the Organizing Authority, including tracking devices, video recording equipment, and fleet identification colors.

7. QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES

7.1 The event may consist of a qualifying series and final series.

7.2 If there are 65 or fewer entries in a class, there will be a single series.

7.3 If there are more than 65 entries in a class, the class will be split into two flights of roughly equal size for the qualifying series, re-fighting each day. The qualifying series will finish at the latter of:

- a) The end of racing on June 27, 2022, or
- b) The end of the day on which 4 races are completed for both flights.

7.4 For the final series, the fleet will be split into gold and silver flights of equal size except that if there are an odd number of entries, the odd entry will be added to the Gold fleet.

8. SCHEDULE

8.1 Registration, measurement, and onshore activities:

Date	Time	Activity	Location
Friday, June 24	1200 - 1700	Registration, Check-in Measurement	CGRA Race Office Boat Park
Saturday, June 25	0900 - 1200 & 1400 - 1700 1800 1900	Registration, Check-in Measurement Opening Ceremony Welcome Reception (buffet appetizers)	CGRA Race Office Boat Park Marine Park House 3 Marine Park House 3
Sunday, June 26	1030 1600	Competitor's Briefing Après Sailing Snacks & De-Brief	Boat Park Tent Boat Park Tent
Monday, June 27	1600	Après Sailing Snacks & De-Brief	Boat Park Tent
Tuesday, June 28	1800	Mid-Week Dinner	Marine Park Pavilion
Wednesday, June 29	TBD 1900	Reserve Day Aero Class Meeting	TBD
Thursday, June 30	1600	Après Sailing Snacks & De-Brief	Boat Park Tent
Friday, July 1	1600	Awards Ceremony (buffet appetizers)	Marine Park Pavilion

8.2 Dates of racing:

Date	First warning signal	Races per day Scheduled	Races per day Maximum
Saturday, June 25	1300	Practice Race	1 Practice Race
Sunday, June 26	1200	3	4
Monday, June 27	1100	3	4
Tuesday, June 28	1200	1 (Long Distance Race)	4
Wednesday, June 29	1100 (if needed)	Make-up races if needed	4
Thursday, June 30	1100	3	4
Friday, July 1	1100	2	4

8.3 The maximum number of races scheduled is 12.

8.4 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1500.

9. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 9.1 [DP] Boats, sails, and equipment shall be presented to the Technical Committee for inspection at the place and times specified in NoR 8.1.
- 9.2 [DP] The national letters and flag of the crew shall be used in accordance with CR C10.4 (a) and (b) and CR Annex 2, except as provided in NoR 16.1.
- 9.3 [DP] Competitors shall submit a completed measurement form to the CGRA Race Office no later than 1700 Saturday, June 25.
- 9.4 [DP] Boats may be inspected at any time. A boat notified of inspection shall comply with reasonable instructions from a race official.

10. VENUE

- 10.1 Racing will take place on the on the Columbia River adjacent to Cascade Locks, OR, as shown in [Attachment A](#).
- 10.2 Shore facilities, including the CGRA Race Office, boat park, launch ramp, and social event sites, will be in the Cascade Locks Marine Park, as shown in [Attachment B](#) and [Attachment C](#).

11. COURSES

- 11.1 The courses to be sailed will be around marks set by the race committee and will include windward, leeward, and reaching legs.
- 11.2 The event may include one long distance race of approximately 10 miles in length.

12. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 12.1 Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, will apply and is changed as follows:
- RRS P2.2 to P2.4 inclusive are deleted.
 - RRS P2.1 will apply to all penalties.
- 12.2 Appendix T, Arbitration, will apply.
- 12.3 The intention is to appoint an international jury as provided in RRS 70.5.

13. VESSEL TRAFFIC

- 13.1 [DP] Boats shall comply with Rule 9, Narrow Channels, of the [US Coast Guard Inland Navigation Rules](#).
- 13.2 Race officials may direct a boat to alter course in order to clear the channel or make a pathway for passing vessel traffic. A boat that fails to promptly comply with reasonable instructions from a race official will be considered to have violated NoR 13.1.
- 13.3 The penalty for a breach of NoR 13.1 may be disqualification that is not excludable (DNE).

14. SCORING

- 14.1 RS Aero 5, RS Aero 7, and RS Aero 9 classes will be started and scored separately.
- 14.2 One completed race shall constitute a series.
- 14.3 For classes racing in a single series the scoring system is as follows:
- When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - When from 4 to 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.
- 14.4 For classes racing in a qualifying and final series the scoring system is as follows:
- The qualifying series scores and the final series scores will count for the total scores in the series.
 - Qualifying series scores will not count unless all qualifying series flights have completed that race.
 - For the purposes of RRS A5.2 (Scoring), the number of boats entered in a qualifying series race will be the number of boats assigned to the largest qualifying flight.
 - When fewer than 4 qualifying races have been completed, a boat's qualifying series score will be the total of her race scores. When 4 or more qualifying series races have been completed, a boat's qualifying series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
 - When fewer than 4 final series races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her qualifying series score plus the total of her final series scores. When 4 or more final series races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her qualifying series score plus the total of her final series scores excluding her worst final series score.

15. SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

- 15.1 [DP] Support person vessels shall register at the CGRA Race Office during the check-in period to receive identifying flags and berthing assignments (\$20.00/boat refundable deposit required). Vessels shall be required to display their identifying flags at all times during the event and comply with any reasonable instructions from race officials.
- 15.2 [DP] Support person vessels shall monitor the race committee VHF channel and remain more than 50 meters from the starting area and any boat that is racing, except when asked to assist by a race official.
- 15.3 [DP] Boats shall not receive outside assistance from support person vessels or *support persons* at any time while afloat, except in the case of emergencies. For the avoidance of doubt, outside assistance includes verbal communication and the transfer of physical items.
- 15.4 [DP] All support person vessel operators shall attend a support person vessel briefing, details of which will be provided during registration.

16. LOANED BOATS

- 16.1 [DP] Loaned equipment may carry a sail number in contravention of her class rules, provided that the race committee has approved her sail identification before the first race.

17. BERTHING

- 17.1 [DP] Boats shall be kept in the designated areas of the beach and parking lot at the east end of the Cascade Locks Marine Park. Specific berths may be assigned at check-in.
- 17.2 [DP] Support vessels shall be kept at the marina transient dock or other location assigned at check-in.
- 17.3 [DP] Trailers must be tagged and stored in specified areas. Trailer tags may be purchased at online registration or at the Race Office onsite.
- 17.4 Parking/storage fees may apply to vehicles, trailers and support vessels.
- 17.5 To arrange for storage outside of the event period, contact the Race Office at susan@cgra.org.

18. DRONES

18.1 [DP] The Organizing Authority and/or IRSACA may arrange for one or more drones to film all or part of the racing. Event entry provides consent to drones flying within 20 meters of you, *support persons* and other competitors. Drones are potentially dangerous, and competitors recognize this risk and will avoid any contact with them and in particular shall not try to touch them.

19. RIGHT TO USE NAME & LIKENESS

19.1 By participating in this event, all competitors and *support persons* grant the organizers and sponsors the right to make, use and show, at any time and at their discretion, any photographs, videos or audio of him or her, including their name, produced during the period of the event without compensation.

20. RISK STATEMENT

20.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks, including permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes. The Organizing Authority, including the CGRA, the IRSACA, the Race Officials, the City and Port of Cascade Locks, and their agents and servants, do not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

20.2 [DP] Competitors and any support person will accept full responsibility for all of their actions during any activity related to this event. This includes on-shore activities before, during, and after the regatta.

21. PRIZES

21.1 The overall winning boat in each class will be awarded the first-place trophy and the title of World Champion.

21.2 Additional prizes may be awarded depending on fleet size and categories to the following:

- a) 1st – 3rd RS Aero 5
- b) 1st – 3rd RS Aero 7
- c) 1st – 3rd RS Aero 9
- d) 1st Female
- e) 1st Youth (age under 22 years on December 31, 2022)
- f) 1st Master (age 55 years or older on December 31, 2022)

22. FURTHER INFORMATION

22.1 Additional information about the event and venue is available at www.rsaeroworlds2022.com.

22.2 Non-RS Aero class members can join online at www.rsaerosailing.org/index.asp?p=membership.

22.3 Charter RS Aeros can be booked from RS Sailing at www.rssailing.club/other-event-details/?id=202.

22.4 Contact for International RS Aero Class Manager Peter Barton is manager@rsaerosailing.org.

22.5 Contact for Regatta Co-Chairman John Renehan is jmrenehan@gmail.com.

COVID-19 SAFETY MEASURES

In view of the continuing health risk posed by the COVID-19 virus, CGRA and the IRSACA will take all necessary precautions to protect the health and safety of event participants. **All federal, state, and local COVID-19 safety regulations in effect at the time of the event will apply and will be enforced.** Further information regarding COVID-19 related safety measures will be posted on the [event website](#) as it becomes available, and all regatta participants will be expected to comply with any guidelines or protocols required by the Organizing Authority.

ADDENDUM A

2021-2024 US SAILING PRESCRIPTIONS

Rule 60.3 After rule 60.3 add

US Sailing prescribes that rule 60.3(b) is changed to:

(b) request redress for a boat or call a hearing to consider redress;

Rule 61 Add at the end of rule 61

61.4 *Fees for Protests and Requests for Redress*

US Sailing prescribes that no fees shall be charged for protests or requests for redress.

Rule 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.

Rule 70.5(a) After rule 70.5(a) add

US Sailing prescribes that its approval is required. Go to rules.ussailing.org and click the 'No Appeal' link for more information or to obtain approval.

Rule 76.1 After rule 76.1 add

US Sailing prescribes that an organizing authority or race committee shall not reject or cancel the entry of a boat or exclude a competitor eligible under the notice of race and sailing instructions for an arbitrary or capricious reason or for reason of race, color, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, or age.