



2022

Red Gear Racing Championships

F16 National Championships

NACRA 15 National Championships

F18 Worlds Warm up Regatta

October 8, 9 & 10, 2022

Organizing Authority Red Gear Racing

Hosted at Sheraton Sand Key Resort in Clearwater Beach, Florida



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Notice Of Race
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While at the venue competitors shall adhere to federal, state and local government regulations regarding Covid19. Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Failure to comply may be misconduct. Reasonable actions by event officials to implement Covid19 guidance, protocols or legislation, even if they later prove to have been unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions.

The Organizing Authority is fully committed to the safety of all competitors participating in this event. The races will take place as scheduled, though COVID-19 may require format changes. Depending on local conditions at the time, skippers' meetings or awards presentations may be modified, specific launching and docking instructions may be issued, and similar adaptations may be made with the competitors. The Organizing Authority will follow all applicable government regulations and best practices to mitigate any possible health risks, and we ask you to do the same for yourself and your fellow competitors.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing
- 1.2. The International F16, F18, N15 Class Rules will apply in their respective classes.
- 1.3. In the event there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.
- 1.4. Competitors will be required to wear a properly fastened non-inflatable PFD, acceptable by their country of residence at all times, while on the water. Use of buoyancy aids will be at the sole risk of competitors; use will not be a protestable event.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1. Advertising shall conform to the current ISAF Regulation 20 and the Class Rules.
- 2.2. Boats may be required to display bow numbers and advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. The regatta is open to boats conforming to the F18, F16 and N15 Class Rules respective to their class.
- 3.2. Each competitor for the F18, F16 and N15 shall be a member of their respective national class association in order to be eligible unless approved by the Organizing Authority.
- 3.3. Eligible boats may enter by completing and paying at <https://www.regattanetwork.com> by OCT 1, 2022. NO ON SITE REGISTRATION WILL BE AVAILABLE unless reviewed by Organizing Authority.
- 3.4. Only boats having completed all registration requirements and payment will be allowed to compete.
- 3.5. The entry fee shall be US \$250 for double handed F18, and F16 Teams, \$200.00 for N15. Single handed F16s will be \$200.00. A \$50.00 late fee will apply after SEPT 1, 2022.
- 3.6. ALL ENTRIES must complete registration before OCT 1, 2022 online. No late or on site registrations will be accepted unless approved by the Organizing Authority.

4. SCHEDULE

- 4.1. A maximum of 12 races are scheduled.
- 4.2. The Regatta schedule is maintained online at <https://redgearracing.org/schedule>

5. MEASUREMENT

- 5.1. Sails shall have a full sail number and national letter in accordance with the RRS Class Rules and Appendix G.
- 5.2. All boats must comply with class rules. The organizing authority may at its discretion require boats to be measured or teams to weigh to confirm compliance before or during or after the regatta.
- 5.3. Nacra 15 Class will not be required to display their Country Flag

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.1. Final Sailing Instructions will be available at Check in on site.
- 6.2. Preliminary Sailing Instructions may be available on or by October 7, 2022.

7. VENUE

- 7.1. Races will be held in the waters of Clearwater Bay and/or the Gulf of Mexico.
- 7.2. Boats can arrive at the Sheraton Sand Key Resort beginning on October 5, 2022 by contacting the Organizing Authority without any charge.

7.3. Storage of boats before or after October 5-17, 2022 is available at a charge.

8. THE COURSE

8.2. A windward-leeward course will be used and may incorporate a double Worlds type course

9. PENALTY SYSTEM

9.1. RRS Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty. 10.2. Failure of a boat to present a measurement certificate shall not be protestable by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

10. PROTESTS AND APPEALS

10.1. Protest may be heard virtually.

10.2. Protest filing time will be one hour after the last boat of the day finishes.

11. SCORING

11.1. Two (2) races are 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.

11.3. When from 5 to 10 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

11.4. When 11 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores. The Nacra 15 class will exclude their 2 worst scores if races are run on Monday, Oct 10, 2022 no matter how many races are sailed.

11.5. N15 Nationals will only race 2 races on Monday, Oct 10, 2022. Any racing after then will not be considered part of the National score.

12. SUPPORT/COACH/SPECTATOR BOAT

12.1. Support/coach/spectator boats shall register at check in during the registration period.

12.2. The fee for support boat registration shall be US \$50 which includes mooring/dockage.

12.3. A unique registration number may be assigned to each support boat. The registration number shall be visible at all times while on the water.

12.4. Rules governing the conduct of support/coach/spectator boats will be in the Sailing Instructions.

12.5. All coach and support boats shall monitor and respond to VHF Committee traffic and instructions.

13. BERTHING

13.1. Boats shall be stored overnight on the grounds of the Sheraton Sand Key Resort Beach. No boat may be stored overnight outside of the grounds of Beach without prior permission of the Organizing Authority.

13.2. No Trailers are allowed on the beach.

14. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

14.1. Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing. All boats are allowed to monitor the specified channel only during the race. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

15. PRIZES

15.1. Nacra 15 class 1st, 2nd and 3rd based on 8 boats. (fewer awards with fewer entries)

15.2. The 2022 Formula 16 and F18 1st, 2nd 3rd based on 10 boats. (fewer awards with fewer entries).

15.3. Other spot prizes may be awarded by the Organizing Authority..

16. RIGHT TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

By participating in the 2022 Red Gear Racing Championships, a competitor automatically grants to the organizers and its sponsors the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him or her during the period of the competition without compensation.

17. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

17.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS rule 4, Decision to Race.

17.2. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or illness or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta

17.3. The organizing authority will not be liable for cash prizes in the event of an appeal.

18. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability.

19. ACCOMMODATIONS

RV's nor camping are allowed at the Sheraton Sand Key Resort

HOTELS: We would recommend Sheraton Sand Key Resort and request the F18 Worlds rate. YOU MUST RESERVE BEFORE SEPT 1, 2022 if you would like to stay on the beach.

20. FURTHER INFORMATION

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