

Clearwater Beach, Florida

Red Gear Racing Championships Sailing Instructions
Nacra 15 National Championship
F16 National Championship
F18 Worlds Warm up
The Organizing Authority is Red Gear Racing
October 8-10, 2022
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1.0 Rules

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)
- 1.2 Nacra 15, F16 and F18 Class Rules shall apply
- 1.3 RRS appendix P, Special Procedures for rule 42 will apply.

2.0 Notice to Competitors

2.1 Notice to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located near the check-in tent.

3.0 Changes to the Sailing Instructions

3.1 Any changes made to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0830 on the day change will take effect. Any Change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 the day before that change will take effect.

4.0 Signals Made Ashore

- 4.1 All signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole located near the shoreside boat storage area.
- 4.2 Boats shall not leave the shoreside storage area until the D Flag has been hoisted with one sound signal.
- 4.3 When the Foxtrot Flag is hoisted either before or with the D Flag, all boats shall safety sign out at the beach tent and shall sign in at the beach tent at the conclusion of that days racing.

5.0 Schedule of Races

- Saturday October 8th, Skippers Meeting 1000.
 Saturday October 8th, first warning signal 1100.
 Sunday October 9th, first warning signal 1100.
 Monday October 10th, first warning signal 1100.
- 5.2 No warning signal will be made after 1400 on the final day of racing.
- 5.3 12 Races are scheduled.

6.0 Class Flags

- 6.1 The Nacra 15 class flag will be the class insignia on white background.
- 6.2 The F16 class flag will be a pink flag.
- 6.3 The F18 class flag will be a green flag.

7.0 The Race Area

7.1 The race area will be chosen based upon predicted weather.

7.2 The competitors will be notified at the daily competitors briefing as to which course area will be used.

8.0 Courses

- 8.1 The course will be windward leeward (WL) with a gate. See Addendum A.
- 8.2 The race committee will display the approximate magnetic compass bearing to the first mark before the warning signal.
- 8.3 Courses will not be shortened. This Changes RRS Rule 32.

9.0 Marks

- 9.1 Mark A will be a yellow tetrahedron.
- 9.2 The offset mark will be small orange sphere.
- 9.3 The gate marks will be yellow.

10.0 THE START

- 10.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26 with the warning signal made five (5) minutes before the starting signal.
- 10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the port side of the signal boat and a staff displaying an orange flag on the starboard side of an RC support boat or a yellow cylinder.
- 10.3 The orange line flags will be displayed not less than 5 minutes prior to the warning signal.
- 10.4 A boat that does not start within four (4) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

11.0 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

11.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will drop an orange tetrahedron in the new position.

12.0 THE FINISH

12.1 The finishing line will be on the opposite side of the signal boat than the start line. The finish line will be a staff displaying an orange flag on the starboard side of the signal boat and an orange ball on the opposite end of the line.

13.0 PENALTY SYSTEM

13.1 RRS 44.1 and RRS P2.1 are changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

14.0 TIME LIMITS

- 14.1 The time limit for each race is 45 minutes for the first boat to finish.
- 14.2 Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5
- 14.3 Failure to finish within the time limit described in SI 14.1 and SI 14.3 will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

15.0 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1 Protest forms are available near the official notice board located near the beach tent.
- 15.2 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the signal boat has docked.
- 15.3 Notices will be posted on the official notice board no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the jury room located at the regatta site.
- On the last scheduled day of racing, a request for redress from a jury decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.
- 15.5 A request for a decision in writing will be delivered within one hour after the decision is given verbally. This changes RRS 65.2.
- 15.6 A request for correction of an error in the published results will be delivered within the protest time limit of the last scheduled day of racing or within 60 minutes after posting of the results, whichever is later. When the request is not granted, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the boat is informed that the request is not granted. This changes RRS 62.2.

16.0 SCORING

- 16.1 The Low Point Scoring System, Appendix A2, shall be used except as modified in SI 16.2, SI 16.3 and SI 16.4
- 16.2 Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 16.3 When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 16.4 When from five to 10 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 16.5 When 11 or more races have been completed a boats series score will be the total of her race's scores excluding her worst 2 scores.

17.0 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 17.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 17.2 Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices at all times while afloat.
- 17.3 All Competitors (boats) shall carry a painter of at least 30 feet in length and of a diameter and construction that the boat and crew can safely be towed.

18.0 SUPPORT BOATS and SPECTATOR BOATS

- 18.1 Support persons and spectator boats shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 18.2 Support boats shall be marked with their national flag or country letters.

19.0 RADIO COMMUNICATION

19.1 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

20.0 RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

20.1 By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the organizing authority and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recordings and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.





