



2023 RS Aero Winter Series Event #3

April 15-16, 2023

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Organizing Authority: Davis Island Yacht Club
1315 Severn Ave, Tampa, Florida, 33606
<http://www.diytc.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.

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/25458>. 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

Saturday, April 15	1100	First warning signal
Sunday, April 16	1100	First warning signal

6. CLASS FLAG

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. Mark 1 will be a yellow tetrahedron.
- 8.2. Marks 2 and 3 will be red balls.
- 8.3. The starting marks will be a race committee vessel displaying an orange flag and a red ball.

8.4. The finishing marks will be a race committee vessel displaying a blue flag and a red 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, a series of sound signals will be made 20-30 seconds 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. The race committee will not hail the sail numbers of boats that are OCS.
- 9.5. 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. THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee vessel and the course side of the finishing mark.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

The first two sentences of RRS 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 RRS 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.'

12. TIME LIMIT AND FINISHING WINDOW

- 12.1. The race time limit is 90 minutes.
- 12.2. Boats still racing 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes may be scored in place.

13. SCORING

Boats will be scored using the RYA rating system.

14. HEARING REQUESTS

- 14.1. Protest forms are available from the Race Committee.
- 14.2. 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.
- 14.3. 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.
- 14.4. Hearings will be held in the Regatta Room (lower level of DIYC) or outside the Regatta Room on the lower level of the Clubhouse.
- 14.5. Scoring Inquiries shall be submitted online at the Regatta Network Notice Board (far right tab): https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/25458#_newsroom

Appendix A – COURSE DIAGRAMS

