The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1 RULES

1.1 The event will be governed by the *rules* as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.

- 1.2 US Sailing Prescriptions to RRS 63.1 and 63.2 will not apply.
- 1.3 RRS 40.1 is in effect for this event.

1.4 NOR 7 TIME LIMITS replaces RRS 35.

- 1.5 NOR 8 PENALTY SYSTEM modifies RRS 44.1.
- 1.6 NOR 9 SCORING modifies RRS A5.2.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

2.1 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online registration form and fee payment found on the event website <u>https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/27189</u>

2.2 The event is open to all boats with or without a North American Portsmouth Yardstick rating.

2.3 Anticipated monohull divisions include Buccaneer, Tanzer, Wayfarer, Holder and Open Portsmouth. Expected Multihull divisions include A-Cat, F18, Hobie 16, Isotope, Weta, and other mulithulls, Open Portsmouth.

2.4 If five or more boats of the same class enter, that Class may request a separate start. Such fleets must provide their own Class flag. Individual Class starts will be provided at the sole discretion of the Race Committee.

2.5 The entry fee is \$65.00 including dinner and a tee shirt. Additional meal tickets and shirts available for purchase. Registration closes on Friday, April 26 at 20:00.

2.6 Entry includes Welcome Party Friday April 26 6:00-unti ?I, racing Saturday, bottled water while racing, dinner Saturday, April 27, Light Breakfast and lunch provided Saturday and Sunday. Additional meal tickets are available for advance purchase on the event website or as available at the event until 3:00pm.

PRE-EVENT		
Fri April 26		Welcome party 6:00 pm. Check open 4:00pm. Sailing
		Instructions available at check in
EVENT DAY 1	0830-1000	Check-in for registered competitors, late/walk-up registration
Sat April 27	1100	Competitors' meeting - Commodore's Welcome, PRO Talk
	1300	First Warning, up to 4 races to follow
EVENT DAY 2	1100	Racing followed by light lunch and awards presentation.
Sun April 28		

3 SCHEDULE OF RACES AND KEY DATES

4 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available via the event website on or before Feb. 15, 2024

5 COMMUNICATION

5.1 The Official Notice Board will be electronic, on the event website. A physical Notice Board in the WSC Pavillion may be used as a courtesy repeater-only posting location before and during the event and will be used to repeat all hearing-related Notices during the event.

5.2 Competitors are requested to opt-in to cell phone text messages from the event organizer during registration, as the OA and RC will use email and texts to update competitors when Notice Board postings occur, particularly during the event.

5.3 A Competitors' Meeting prior to the first day of racing will be held at the WSC Pavilion.

5.4 Race Committee's VHF communications are explicitly defined as "available to all boats". Unless prohibited by their Class Rules, competitors are encouraged to carry a functioning VHF radio onboard. If Class Rules disallow a VHF radio, violations will be [NP].

6 VENUE AND COURSES

6.1 Chart of Lake Waccamaw showing general Club location and approximate racing area:



6.2 The courses will be drop-mark windward-leeward configurations, with separate (longer) windward legs for multi-hull classes.

7 TIME LIMITS

7.1 If no boat in a start has passed its first mark within 20 minutes, or if no boat starts, sails the course, and finishes within 60 minutes, then the race will be abandoned for that start.

7.2 The following change is added to RRS A5.2: "Boats still racing 20 minutes after the first boat in their start finishes will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired) and be scored points equal to the number of boats

finishing within the time limit plus one point."

8 PENALTY SYSTEM

"Two-Turns" in the first sentence of RRS 44.1 is replaced with "One-Turn".

9 SCORING

9.1 One race is required to constitute a regatta.

9.2 A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. All races will be scored.

9.3 The North American Portsmouth Yardstick D-PN rating will apply to all boats not racing under a one-design fleet.

9.4 Three or more boats of the same class will be scored One-Design (boat-for-boat) in their class.

10 PRIZES

10.1 Awards will be given based on registered boats. 1st place only for a three-boat class, two places deep for a five-boat class, three places for a nine-boat class, four deep for a fifteen-boat class, and five places awarded for a class of twenty or more.

10.2 Classes may elect to provide their own prizes. Please inform the OA accordingly.

11 RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is his or hers alone.'

By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform, and fatigue resulting in an increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia, or other causes.

12 SAFETY

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 COVID-19 guidance, protocols, or legislation, even if they later prove to have been unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions.

13 FURTHER INFORMATION Contact us! <u>https://waccamawsailing.com/contact-us</u> <u>https://www.facebook.com/Lake-Waccamaw-Sailing-Club-495759523777995</u> Event coordinator: Carol Lawlor <u>carollawlor@msn.com</u> Principal Race Officer: Paul Leonard <u>paul.e.leonard@gmail.com</u>

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