



Joe Cook Hobie Wave Regatta
September 20 & 21, 2025

Grand Lagoon Yacht Club
Pensacola, Florida

The Organizing Authority: Grand Lagoon Yacht Club

Notice of Race (NOR)

1. RULES

1.1 The regatta is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

1.2 In RRS 90.3(e) the expression "24 hours" is changed to "30 minutes".

1.3 **[NP][SP]** The first sentence of RRS 40.1 is deleted and replaced by: "Each competitor shall wear a USCG approved personal flotation device (PFD), or a personal flotation device that conforms to regulations of their own country, properly secured at all times while on the water except when temporarily adding or removing clothing."

1.4 Competitors and support persons shall promptly comply with any reasonable request or instructions from the Regatta officials, including the officials in charge of the boat parking, beach master and the harbor, or channel traffic.

1.5 In any rule governing the Regatta: the notation **[NP]** means that any infraction to the *rule* will not be grounds for a protest by a boat (*Changes rule RRS 60.1*) and the notation **[SP]** Denotes a rule which a penalty may be applied by the Race Committee **[RC]** without a hearing (*Changes rule RRS 60.5(b), A4 and A5*).

1.6 RRS Appendix T and US Sailing Appendix V will apply.

2. ADVERTISING

2.1 Advertising will in accordance with Wave Class Rules.

3. GREEN REGATTA

3.1 The event is a "Clean Regatta" which means that any document used by the Organizing Authority, Committees, and Competitors as a way of communication between them will be online.

3.2 There will be no paper format, except for Protest Committee decisions on a hearing request if a party asks for a written decision within seven days of being informed of the decision.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1 This event is open to all boats that meet the Hobie Wave or Formula Wave Class Rules.

4.2 Membership in either Class Association is not required.

4.2 Sailors not reaching the age of 19 by the end of 2025 shall be classified as a Youth.

4.3 Registration for competitors and support persons shall be completed online at:

Joe Cook Hobie Wave Regatta 2025: <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/>

4.4 Registration will be complete no later than 1800 CST of on September 19, 2025.

5. ENTRY FEES

5.1 The Entry Fees for competitors are as follows:

Early Entry Fee: Prior to 1800 September 15, 2025: \$80 for adults, \$60 for Juniors.

Late Entry Fee: After 1800, September 15, 2025: \$95 for adults, \$70 for Juniors.

5.2 All Registration fees will be paid thru Regatta Network and includes Regatta T-shirt, Continental Breakfast on Saturday and Sunday, Dinner on Saturday evening, and Lunch prior to the Awards Ceremony on Sunday afternoon. Additional lunches/dinners and T-shirts may be purchased for participant guests at the registration table at Grand Lagoon Yacht Club.

6. SCHEDULE

6.1 Program

Friday, September 19, 2025

1600 – 1900 Registration and Package Pickup

Saturday, September 20, 2025

0800 – 0900 Continental Breakfast and Package Pickup

0930 Competitors Meeting

1100 First Warning

1730 Competitors Dinner at GLYC

Sunday, September 21, 2025

0800 – 0900 Continental Breakfast

0900 Competitors Meeting

1030 First Warning

1530 Awards Ceremony and Late Lunch

6.2 Two days of racing are scheduled with a maximum of 9 races planned, five on Saturday and four on Sunday.

6.3 On Saturday September 20 no warning signal will be made after 1600, and on Sunday September 21 no warning signal will be made after 1400 unless as a result of a General Recall.

7. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION & BOATS

7.1 Boats and equipment must be compliant with current Wave and Formula Wave Class rules.
7.2 Competitors may use their own boats. No charter boats are available at Grand Lagoon Yacht Club.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

8.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available prior to the event on the Regatta Network website.

9. VENUE & RACE AREA

9.1 The regatta venue will be Grand Lagoon Yacht Club, 10653 Gulf Beach Highway, Pensacola, FL 32507

9.2 The location of the race area will be Grand Lagoon which is described in Attachment A.

10. THE COURSES

10.1 The courses to be sailed and the marks that may be used will be provided in the Sailing Instructions.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

11.1 RRS 44.2 is changed as follows:

- a. One turn penalty replaces the Two turns penalty, and
- b. Unless the course is shortened to finish at the windward mark, penalties while in the zone of the windward mark or on the offset leg may be delayed and taken as soon as possible on the downwind leg.

11. SCORING

11.1 The Low-Point System of Appendix A of *The Racing Rules of Sailing* will apply.

11.2 A maximum of nine (9) races will be sailed per event. One (1) race is required to constitute a series.

11.3 When fewer than six (6) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

11.4 When six (6) to nine (9) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst race.

12. COMMUNICATION

12.1 All boats are encouraged to carry a VHF radio capable of communication on all normal Maritime Radio frequencies.

13. BERTHING

13.1 Boats shall be kept at the regatta site and in spots assigned by the organizing authority.

14. PRIZES

14.1 Prizes will be awarded.

15. RISK STATEMENT

15.1 Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The OA will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

15.2 Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor and the responsible adult agree and acknowledges that:

- a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their boat, and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage, or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omission;
- d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats, and other officials and volunteers by the event organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.

16. KEY CONTACTS

REGATTA CHAIR

Name: Kevin Marshall, Regatta Chair, Grand Lagoon Yacht Club

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PRINCIPAL RACE OFFICER (PRO)

Name: Hal Smith

Appendix A: Sailing area for Gulf Coast Region Sunfish Championship
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