









YCAS OPEN CAT WEEKEND

ASCONA, LAKE MAGGIORE - June 8th - 9th 2019

NACRA 15 - SC1 - SC2 - SC3

Sailing Instructions

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1 Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing (RSS) 2017- 2020.
- 1.2 The RRS will be changed as follows:
 - Rule 40 is changed so that personal flotation devices must be worn at all times when afloat except briefly while adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Flag Y will not be displayed.
 - The penalty rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
 - Rule 61.1(a) is changed so that the red flag is not mandatory.

- 1.1 Rules of the respective boat class will apply.
- 1.2 If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race, Class Rules and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions will take precedence. This changes rule 63.7.
- 1.3 Swiss federal law for inland navigation with local amendments will apply.

2 Notices to competitors

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the club house.

3 Changes to the Sailing Instructions

3.1 Any change to the SI will be posted no later than 60 minutes before the warning signal of the first race scheduled of the day, except for changes to the racing schedule, which will be posted no later than 19:30 on the previous day.

4 Signals made ashore

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the signal mast next to the club house.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore "1 minute" in "Race Signals" is replaced with "not less than 30 minutes". This changes the meaning of AP in RRS Race Signals.

5 Schedule

5.1 The schedule for the event is as follows:

June, 8 th	09:00 – 11:30	Registration
	11:30	Welcome Apero
	11:30	Skipper Meeting
	12:45	First possible warning signal
June, 9 th	As posted on notice board	First warning signal (see 2)
	15:30	Last possible warning signal

- 5.2 The time for the first warning signal on Sunday June the 9th will be posted on the notice board by 19:30 on Saturday the 8th.
- 5.3 No warning signal shall be given after 15:30 on Sunday the 9th.

6 Racing area

6.1 The racing area will be displayed on the official notice board.

7 Fleets and class flags

- 7.1 Boats will be split into three fleets:
 - SC1 (SCHRS ≤ 1.075)

- SC2 (1.076 SCHRS ≤ 1.249) and Nacra 15
- SC3 (SCHRS ≥ 1.250)
- 1.1 All fleets will always start together, each fleet has its own race course (s. App. A).
- 1.2 The Class flag will be the YCAs club flag on white background.

2 Courses

- 2.1 The diagrams in App. A show the courses for each fleet, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 2.2 The course will be set according to the wind conditions aiming at approx 30 to 40 minute races. No redress can be requested if the effective duration of the race differs from the scheduled one. This changes rule 62.1(a).

3 Marks

3.1 All marks will be cylindrical inflatable orange buoys, except for mark 1b, which will be yellow.

4 Committee vessel and start/finish line

4.1 The committee vessel as part of the start/finish line might not be anchored. Possible movements of the vessel will not be ground for redress. This changes RRS 27.2 and RRS 62.1(a).

5 The start

- 5.1 Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26, with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.
- 5.2 The starting line will be between the orange flag on the race committee vessel at the starboard end and the starting mark (S) at the port end, see App. A. An orange flag on a boat at port end of the starting line can replace the starting mark (S).
- 5.3 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after the starting signal will be scored DNS without hearing. This changes RRS A4.

6 The finish

6.1 The finishing line will be between the orange flag on the race committee vessel and the mark (F), see App. A.

7 Changes to the course

7.1 The course can be changed by moving the windward mark 1/1b.

8 Time limit

8.1 Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first finishing boat of the respective fleet will be scored DNF without hearing. This changes RRS 35 and A4 and A5.

9 Penalty system

- 9.1 Rule 44.1 is changed so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required.
- 9.2 Penalties taken must be acknowledged to the race committee not later than the protest time limit.

10 Safety regulations

10.1 A boat which retires from a race is required to notify the race committee before leaving the course area. If that is not possible, the competitor shall notify a shore side member of the race committee immediately after arriving ashore.

11 Protests and requests for redress

- 11.1 The protests must be displayed according to rule 61.
- 11.2 Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 11.3 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 11.4 Notices will be posted no later than 15 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings are held in the protest room, located at the race office, and will begin at the time posted.
- 11.5 Notices of protests by the race committee, technical committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 11.6 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

12 Scoring system

- 12.1 The Low Point System will apply.
 - When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of the race scores.
 - When between 4 and 7 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of the race scores excluding the worst score.
 - When 8 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of the race scores excluding the two worst scores.
- 12.2 The ranking lists will be calculated using the SCHRS handicap system. Separated Ranking list for the Nacra 15 Class (min. 5 boats).
- 12.3 For boats for which an official handicap is not yet provided, the race committee will provide a handicap.

13 Crew and/or equipment substitutions

- 13.1 Any crew change will not be allowed without prior written approval of the Race Committee prior to the first warning signal for the first race in which it is to take effect.
- 13.2 Any replacement of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed without prior approval of the Race Committee, and must be requested as soon as reasonably possible.

14 Radio communications

14.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile phones.

15 Awards

15.1 Prizes will be awarded to the first three boats of each Fleet with min. 5 boats and for the first three boats of the Nacra 15 class.

16 Disclaimer of liability

16.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority 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.

17 Media rights

17.1 By entering the race, competitors accept that they may be photographed and/or filmed participating in the race and/or using the regatta facilities and they consent to the taking of such images and to their use and publication, in any form, without any compensation, with and without the mentioning of the competitor's name.

Appendix A) Race course

