



2024 Flying Dutchman World Championship

St Petersburg, FL

March 23-31, 2024



1. RULES

- 1.1. This event will be governed by the rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. In rules governing this regatta:
 - [NP] denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 1.3 Only US Sailing Prescriptions to RRS 60.3(b), 61.4, 67 and 76.1 shall apply.

2. CODE OF CONDUCT [NP][DP]

- 2.1. Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official.

3. COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at: [Official Notice Board](#)
- 3.2. The official flag pole is located on the south side of the St Petersburg Sailing Center.
- 3.3. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP. This changes RRS Race Signals.
- 3.4. [NP][DP] D flag displayed ashore means "The warning signal will be displayed no earlier than 60 minutes." Boats shall not leave their assigned parking slots before D flag is displayed.

4. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 4.1. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted 90 minutes before it will take effect. Any change to the schedule of races will be posted before 1800 hours on the day before it takes effect.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1. The table below indicates first warning signals and the number of races scheduled each day:

Day 1 -March 23	Registration and measurement	09:00-18:00
Day 2 -March 24	Registration and measurement	09:00-18:00
Day 3 -March 25	Practice Race	14:30
Day 4 -March 26	2 races- First Warning Signal	1030
Day 5 -March 27	3 races- First Warning Signal	1030
Day 6 -March 28	2 races- First Warning Signal	1030
Day 7 -March 29	Reserve day	
Day 8 -March 30	3 races- First Warning Signal	1030
Day 9 -March 31	2 races- First Warning Signal Prize Giving / Closing Ceremony	1030 TBA/After Races

- 5.2. Races not run on the scheduled day might be rescheduled if the race committee so decides.

6. CLASS FLAGS

6.1.The class flag will be ICS “F”.

7. COURSES

7.1.The diagram in Addendum 1 shows the course, the approximate angles 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 compass bearing to mark 1 will be displayed on the race committee vessel no later than with the warning signal.

8. MARKS

8.1.Course marks will be orange tetrahedrons. Mark 1A will be an orange ball. New marks, used while changing the next leg of the course, will be green a tetrahedron.

8.2.Starting marks will be race committee vessels.

8.3.Finishing marks will be race committee vessels.

9. START

9.1.The starting line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on race committee vessels.

9.2.To alert boats that a sequence of races will begin soon, the orange flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.

9.3.A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start.
This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2

10. CHANGING THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

10.1.To change the next leg of the course the race committee will:

- a) Lay a new mark,
- b) Move the finish line or
- c) Move the gate.

This changes RRS 33.

10.2.When mark 1 is replaced with a new mark, mark 1A will not be reset and is no longer a part of the course.

11. FINISH

11.1.The finishing line will be between staffs displaying blue flags.

12. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

12.1.Time limits and target times, in minutes, are as follows:

Race time limit	Mark 1 time limit	Target time	Finish window
100	30	60-80	30

12.2.If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 Time Limit the race will be abandoned.

12.3.Boats failing to finish within the Finish Window (time after the first boat starts, sails the course and finishes) will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A5.1 and A5.2.

13. HEARINGS AND PENALTIES

13.1.Hearing request forms are available in the race office and shall be delivered there.

13.2.The protest time limit is 75 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day, or when AP over A, or N over A is displayed.

13.3. Notices will be posted not later than 20 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held beginning at the time posted in the jury room.

13.4. Penalties for breaches of the class rules, the ERS, RRS 50, rules of RRS Appendix G, and rules in the NoR and SIs marked [DP], should the case go to a hearing, are at the discretion of the international jury.

13.5. The International Jury will use RRS Appendix N1.4(b) and competitors will have 60 minutes to request a review of the facts by a full panel.

13.6. RRS 44.2 and P2.1 are changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

14. SCORING

14.1. To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a boat may submit a scoring enquiry in the race office.

15. SAFETY REGULATIONS [NP] [DP]

15.1. Boats that have retired from a race shall promptly notify the race committee.

15.2. Boats not leaving the harbour for a scheduled race shall promptly notify the race committee.

16. CREW AND EQUIPMENT [DP]

16.1. Change of crew is not allowed without the permission of the race committee.

16.2. RRS G3 applies.

17. OFFICIAL VESSELS

17.1. Official vessels are marked as follows:

- White/Black Flag – international jury;
- Blue Flag with RC – race committee
- Lime Green Flag - safety;
- White flag with MEASURER – technical committee.

ADDENDUM 1 – COURSES



1A



1



2



Start/Finish



3

Mark rounding order

Start, 1, 1A, 2, 3, 1, 1A, 3, Finish