

F18 North American Open Championships - September 14-19, 2019

Crescent Sail Yacht Club - 276 Lakeshore Road - Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236

NOTICE OF RACE**1. Organizing Authority and Rules**

The organizing authority is Crescent Sail Yacht Club in affiliation with the United States Formula 18 Association. The regatta will be governed by rules as defined by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS). This is an International Event, therefore pursuant to the US Sailing prescription to RRS 88.2 (changes to prescriptions), the US Sailing prescription to RRS 40 (personal flotation devices) is deleted. Other than the prescription to rule 40, all other US Sailing prescriptions will apply. The full text of the US Sailing prescriptions can be found at:

<https://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/2017-2020-US-Prescriptions-final-10.4.2016.pdf>

2. Advertising

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3. Eligibility and Entry

The event is open to all F18 catamarans conforming to the International Formula 18 Class Rules. Crew and skipper must be current members of their national F18 Class Association.

Event documents and registration available online at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=6144>

4. Fees

\$299 if paid before April 1st

\$350 if paid before August 1st

\$400 on or after August 1st

Cancelation fee is \$50 before July 1st. \$100 thereafter.

5. Racing Schedule and Format

Saturday 9/14/2019	10 AM - 4 PM	Registration and weigh-in
Sunday 9/15/2019	9 AM – 11 AM 12 PM 2 PM	Registration and weigh-in Skippers meeting Practice race
Monday 9/16/2019	11 AM	First warning signal of the day
Tuesday 9/17/2019	11 AM	First warning signal of the day
Wednesday 9/18/2019	11 AM	First warning signal of the day
Thursday 9/19/2019	11 AM	First warning signal of the day

For those that are interested in a warm-up event, there will be a catamaran regatta at CSYC the preceding weekend (Sep 7-8). For details please refer to <http://cramsailing.com/regattas/schedule/>.

There will be 4 days of championship racing with the objective to hold 3-5 races per day. Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a championship. On Thursday, September 19th no warning signal will be made after 3 PM. Sailing instructions will be available at check-in.

6. Measurement

Boats and crews will be weighed as part of the check-in. Competitors are responsible for ensuring their equipment is class legal. During the competition, any boat or crew weight may be subject to inspection by a designated technical official.

No primary measurements will be made at the event unless previously arranged with an official F18 class measurer. Please contact Scott Miller, USF18 Chief Measurer for information regarding measurement for this event at millerscottb@gmail.com or 858-337-9917 at least one month before the regatta.

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7. Insurance

Each participating boat shall have current third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of not less than \$300,000 USD. Proof of insurance must be presented at registration.

8. Venue

Crescent Sail Yacht Club, 276 Lakeshore Road. Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236. Racing will take place on Lake St. Clair which is a significant body of water roughly 20miles in diameter.

9. Radio Communications

Competitors may carry a VHF radio for safety purposes. Its use and restrictions will be defined in the sailing instructions.

10. Awards

The top placing team shall be named the 2019 F18 North American Champion. There will be awards for the top placing all female, mixed, youth (both, skipper and crew younger than 23 years old) and masters teams (both, skipper and crew 50 years or older).

11. Social Schedule

Details on the social schedule will be published before May 1st, 2019. A dinner cruise on Lake St. Clair / Detroit River is tentatively planned for one weeknight after racing.

12. Accommodations

We recommend these hotels with a distance of 15-20 mins from the venue:

- Hampton Inn Detroit/Roseville, 33680 S Gratiot Ave, Charter Twp of Clinton, MI 48035
 - Negotiated rate of \$107 per night if booked before August 19th. Limited availability.
- Holiday Inn Express, 31900 Little Mack Avenue, Roseville, MI 48066, (888) 465-4329
- There may be a limited number of berths on CSYC member's boats available on a first come, first serve basis.

13. Additional Information

Chris Tuckfield - Race Chairman: ctuckfield@att.net, (313) 570-8518

Uli Gollwitzer - Charter Boats/Accommodations: u.gollwitzer@gmail.com, (248) 840-1132

Jeff Rehm – Web, Communications: rehmbo@mac.com, (248) 302-1030

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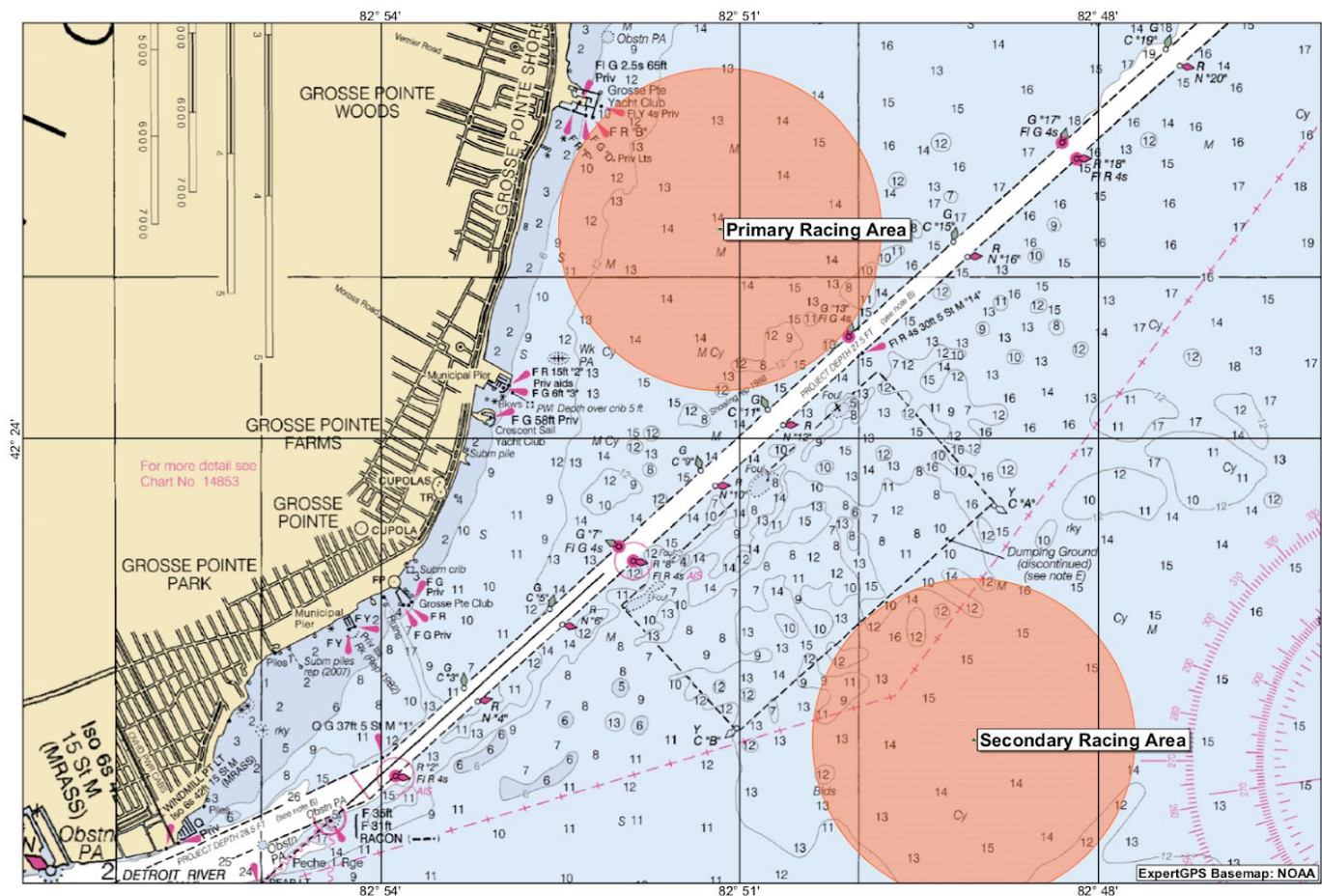
14. Revisions

Rev	Date	Description
1	2/23/19	Sec 6 explanation. Added Sec 14 Rev Table. Added Appendix A: tentative racing area



APPENDIX A

Tentative Racing Area. (Final area to be confirmed in Sailing Instructions)



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