

Nacra 15 World Championship 2019

Organized by The Yachting Club de la Pointe Rouge (YCPR) Marseille with collaboration of the French Sailing Federation and the International Nacra 15 Class Association (N15CA)

From 19 to 25 October 2019 Location: Stade Nautique du Roucas Blanc, Marseille, France

[NP] denotes that a breach of this rule will not be grounds for a protest by a boat.
[DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the International Jury.
[SP] denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the race committee without a hearing

1. RULES

- **1.1** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- **1.2** No national prescriptions will apply.
- **1.3** Nacra 15 Class Rules will apply.
- **1.4** The Nacra 15 Equipment Inspection Regulations will apply and will be published at the website www.nacra15class.com.
- **1.5** RRS Appendix T, Arbitration, will apply.
- 1.6 If there is a conflict between languages the text in the original language will take precedence.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located on the window of the PC Course.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- **4.1** Signals made ashore will be displayed at flagpoles in front of the race office.
- **4.2** When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP.
- 4.3 Flag D displayed ashore with one sound signal means: "the warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after flag D is displayed. Boats shall not leave the boat park until this signal is made". [DP]

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 Dates of racing:

Date	Races	1 st Warning signal
20 October	Practice race	14:00
21 October	4 races back to back	12:00
22 October	4 races back to back	11:00



23 October	4 races back to back	11:00
24 October	4 races back to back	11:00
25 October	4 races back to back	11:00

- 5.2 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag on the race committee signal vessel will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 5.3 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 16:00 hours, except after a general recall.

6 CLASS FLAG

If single fleet: the Class flag will be "Nacra 15 flag".

If split fleet series (Attachments C and D): in the Qualifying Series the flags will be yellow or blue, in the Final Series, the flags will be yellow (gold fleet) and blue (silver fleet).

7 RACING AREA

Attachment A shows the location of the racing area.

8 THE COURSES

- **8.1** The diagram in Attachment B shows the course, including 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.
- **8.2** No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel will display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.
- **8.3** Courses will not be shortened. This changes RRS 32.

9 MARKS

- **9.1** Marks 1, 1A, 2S and 2P will be orange pyramidal buoys.
- **9.2** The marks to change the course, will be the yellow pyramidal buoys.
- **9.2** The starting and finishing marks will be RC vessels.
- 9.3 A race committee vessel signaling a change of a leg of the course is a mark as provided in SI 12.2.

10 IDENTIFICATION

10.1 [SP] Boats will be required to affix the stickers provided by the Organising Authority. Boats shall affix the stickers on the bow as per instructions given by the Organising Authority.

11 THE START

- **11.1** Races will be started by using RRS 26 with the warning signal made five (5) minutes before the starting signal.
- **11.2** The starting line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on the starting marks.
- **11.3** Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- **11.4** A boat that does not start within four (4) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- **12.1** To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a change mark which will be as details in SI 9 or the finishing line to a new position.
- **12.2** Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee vessel signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee vessel to starboard. This changes RRS 28.1.



12.3 If the windward mark is changes a new spreader mark will not be laid.

13 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on the finishing marks.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

- **14.1** Appendix P will apply as changed by SI 14.2.
- **14.2** RRS 44.1 and RRS P2.1 are changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- **14.3** Jury may protest boats, when they are on the water, if they observe a breach of a rule, and not boats are taking a penalty turns or not protest another boat(s) involved in the incident.

15 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIME

15.1 Time limits are as follows:

Time limit	Mark 1 time limit	Target time
60	20	30

If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned.

- **15.2** Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress by boats. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- **15.3** Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- **16.1** Protest forms are available at the race office located at the YCPR venue. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- **16.2** 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.
- **16.3** Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the jury room, located at the venue, beginning at the time posted.
- **16.4** Notices of protests by the race committee, technical committee or jury will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- **16.5** A list of boats that, under SI 14.1, have been penalized for breaking RRS 42 will be posted.
- **16.6** Breaches of SIs 11.3, 18, 21, 23 and 25 will not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- **16.7** On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress from a jury decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.
- **16.8** A request for a decision in writing has to be delivered within one hour after the decision is given verbally. This changes RRS 65.2.
- **16.9** A request for correction of an error in the published results has to be delivered within the protest time limit of the last scheduled day of racing or within 60 minutes after posting of the results, whichever is later. When the request is not granted, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the boat is informed that the request is not granted. This changes RRS 62.2.
- **16.10** An international jury is appointed. Decisions of the international jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.
- **16.11** Penalties for breaches of class rules and equipment inspection regulations are the discretion of the jury and may be less than DSQ.

17 SCORING

For Single Fleet:

- **17.1** Four races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- **17.2** (a) When fewer than five (5) races have been completed; a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.



- (b) When five (5) to nine (9) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- (c) When ten (10) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores
- 17.3 Resolving ties

Ties will be broken in accordance with RRS A8.

For Split fleet series (Attachments C and D):

- 17.4 For all fleets four races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- **17.5** (a) When fewer than five (5) races have been completed; a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - (b) When five (5) to nine (9) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
 - (c) When ten (10) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.
- 17.6 The Final Series score plus the Qualifying Series score will be the overall points for the Championship.
- 17.7 When RRS A4.2 and A5 apply, a boat's penalty score shall be based on the number of boats in the largest group.

18 SAFETY REGULATIONS [SP] [NP]

18.1 Check-out and check-in: all teams have to check out before leaving the boat park and check-in directly after arriving back at the boat park at the latest by the end of the protest time.

Penalties for breaches of rules in SI marked [SP] will be 1 point for each infringment :

- 18.1.1. Failure to Check-Out will result in 1-point penalty for the next race completed, even if no races is completed on the day of infringment.
- 18.1.2. Failure to Check-In will result in 1-point penalty for the last race completed even if no race is completed on the day of the infringment
- 18.1.3. Only one 1-pont penalty for infringment of SI 18.1.1 and SI 18.1.2 will be applied to any race. A competitor shall not be scored worse than a disqualified competitor. Penalty will be applied without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.
- **18.2** Each boat shall collect a GPS device two hours before the first scheduled warning signal of the day and return the GPS device before time limit to protest. The device shall be carried on board at all times while afloat.
- **18.3** A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 18.4 Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices at all times while afloat.
- **18.6** When the Race Committee displays flag V with repetitive sounds, all official and support boats shall give assistance for rescue.

19 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 19.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the Technical Committee.
- **19.2** Substitution of damaged or lost checked and hallmarked equipment by not-checked equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the Technical Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

20 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

20.1 All boats must be checked before the first official race Equipment inspection schedule:

Date	Time
19 October (Saturday)	09:00- 13.00 / 14.00-18:00
20 October (Sunday)	09:00- 13.00 / 14.00-18:00



20.2 On the water, a boat can be instructed by the technical committee to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection. Ashore, equipment may be inspected or measured at any time.

21 EVENT ADVERTISING [NP][DP]

Boats shall display advertising supplied by the organizing authority.

22 OFFICIAL BOATS

Official boats will be marked as follows:

- The race committee signal vessel will display YCPR flag.
- Jury boats will fly a white flag with 'Jury'.
- Equipment inspector boat will fly a white flag Flag with "Measure".

23 SUPPORT BOATS [NP][DP]

- 23.1 Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 23.2 Support boats shall be marked with their national flag or country letters.

24 TRASH DISPOSAL

Trash may be placed aboard support or official boats.

25 RADIO COMMUNICATION [NP][DP]

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

26 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to the top first three (3) boats in the

- Overall open
- Under 19
- Under 16

The Organizing Authority may award additional prizes.

27 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

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.

28 RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the organizing authority and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use, and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recordings, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.

29 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of Euro 1.500.000 per incident or the equivalent.



30 RISK STATEMENT

RRS 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees 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, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event:
- b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, 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 organiser 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.
- g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for this event and to attend any competitors meetings held for this event.

31 ORGANISATION

The Principal Race Officer is Corinne Aubert.

The Race Officer is Philippe Faure.

The Chairman of the Jury is Sergey Kuzovov.

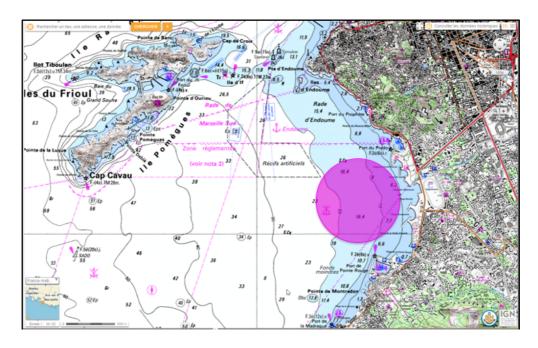
The Chairman of the Technical Committee is Leo Sanchez.



ATTACHMENT A

APPROXIMATE POSITION RACE AREA

Race area in pink:

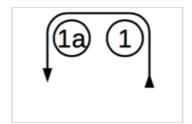


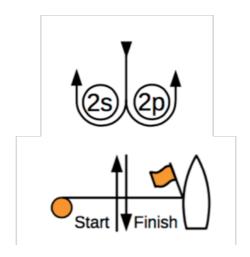


ATTACHMENT B

ILLUSTRATING THE COURSE

A Windward-Leeward course





Start - 1 - 1a - 2s/2p - 1 - 1a - Finish



ATTACHMENT C

Format of Racing for Split fleet series

The Championship will consist of a Qualifying Series and a Final Series

- 1. **Qualifying Series** (Days 1, 2 and 3)
- 1.1 The fleet will be split into TWO groups of approximately equal numbers of boats. The Qualifying Series will consist of a maximum of NINE races and a minimum of SIX races. Up to FOUR races are scheduled each day. If SIX races have not been completed by all fleets by the end of Day 3, the Qualifying Series will continue.
 - If the minimum number of SIX Qualifying Series races have been completed by both fleets by the end of racing on any day and some boats have more races scores than others, scores for the most recent races will be excluded when calculating their Qualifying Series scores.
- 1.2 The Organising Authority will make initial fleet assignments randomly. The ranking will remain in force until the end of the day during which the 2nd Qualifying Race is completed by all fleets.
- 1.3 If all fleets have completed the same number of races, boats will be reassigned to fleets on the basis of their Qualifying Series scores as detailed below. If all fleets have not completed the same number of races by the end of a day, and the minimum number of races has not been completed the fleets with fewer races will continue racing the following day until all fleets have completed the same number of races. However, the reassignments will be calculated for those races, numbered in order of completion, completed by all fleets. Reassignments will be made as follows:

Place in Qualifying Series score	Fleet assignment
First	Yellow
Second	Blue
Third	Blue
Fourth	Yellow
and so on	

The fleet assignments will be posted no later than 0900 on the day they take effect.

Final Series (Days 4 and 5)

- 2.1 The top 50% of boats sailing in the Qualifying Series based on their Qualifying Series scores after Day 3 will race in the Gold fleet (unless the Qualifying Series has been extended under section 1.1 above).
- 2.2 The remaining boats will race in the Silver fleet.
- 2.3 FOUR races are scheduled per day for each fleet. Target time is 30 minutes for ALL fleets
- 2.4 No warning signal for the Fleet Racing Series will be made after 1600 on Saturday 25 October.



Attachment D

Racing Schedule for Split fleet series

2019 Nacra 15 Class World Championship 2019 20 to 25 October 2019				
Warning signal				
Practice Day (20.10.19)	Course			
14:00	Nacra 15			
Day 1 (21.10.19) Qualifying Serie	Course			
12:00	Nacra 15Yellow			
Not Before 14.30	Nacra 15 Blue			
Day 2 (22.10.19) Qualifying Serie	Course			
11.00	Nacra 15 Blue			
Not Before 13.30	Nacra 15 Yellow			
Day 3 (23.10.19) Qualifying Serie	Course			
11.00	Nacra 15 Yellow			
Not before 13.30	Nacra 15 Blue			
Day 4 (24.10.19) Final Series	Course			
11.00	Nacra 15 Silver			
Not Before 13.30	Nacra 15 Gold			
Day 5 (25.10.19) Final Series	Course			
11.00	Nacra 15 Gold			
Not Before 13.30	Nacra 15 Silver			