# RC RACING SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

**Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions: Cave Run Sailing Association** 

**April 28, 2023** 

#### 1.0 Rules

- 1.1 The series will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, appendix E for RC sailing, class rules of the DragonForce 65 class, and these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 Changes to the racing rules or class rules are noted in the specific instructions where they apply.

### 2.0 Eligibility

<u>2.1</u> DragonForce 65 fleet: The series is open to DragonForce 65 boats that meet class rules. CRSA membership is required.

Non members may compete in non scored "Fun Days"

## 3.0 Schedule of Races

3.1 First signal NOT BEFORE 6:00 p.m. for evening events, and not before 2:00 p.m. for afternoon events

3.2 Total heats scored will be a maximum of 12 with one throwout if 5 heats have been completed. No sequence will be started after 7:30 p.m. for evening events

#### 4.0 The Course

The course(s) will be verbal. The race committee will attempt to set a windward-leeward course when possible

### 5.0 Marks

- 5.1 Marks will be of various colors and geometry and will be verbally designated in the course description
- 5.2 The starting and finishing marks may consist of two temporary marks, or a point between permanent and temporary marks.
- 5.3 The zone around marks shall be four boat lengths. A boat that is overlapped and in the zone must give right of way to the overlapping boat.

### 6.0 Obstructions.

6.1 The start/finish line will be determined as whether it is an obstruction each race day.

## 7.0 The Start

7.1 Heats will be started via a recorded 1 minute countdown sequence; the warning and preparatory signals will occur

simultaneously at the 1 minute sound. Three beeps at 30 seconds, two beeps at twenty seconds, one beep at 10 seconds, countdown beeps at 5 seconds to start.

- 7.2 Prior to the warning signal, a racer may request the Race Director to delay the starting sequence for a maximum of 2 minutes to repair a technical problem or breakdown. Each boat may be granted 2 such delays per day. Delays for tuning or adjusting rigs will not be granted.
- 7.3 Boats whose warning signal has not sounded shall stay clear of the starting area. Boats not racing shall stay clear of marks, boats racing, and mark set boats.
- 7.4 A boat not actively sailing in the starting area at the warning signal will be scored DNS.

### 8.0 Finish

8.1 Each competitor shall announce their sail number at the moment of finishing.

### 9.0 Penalty System

- 9.1 A boat touching a mark shall take a penalty turn.
- 9.2 A boat hitting another boat shall take a penalty turn.
- 9.2 The penalty for a rules infraction is one turn (one tack and one gybe) in accordance with RRS E4.3

#### 10.0 Time Limits

- 10.1 If no boat has passed Mark 1 within 10 minutes, the heat will be abandoned
- 10.2 If a boat has finished within 15 minutes, the heat will be scored.

### 11.0 Protests

- 11.1 A boat protesting another boat while sailing shall hail the other boat, as required by RRS 61.1(a) as modified by rule RRS E5.2. Only those sailors directly involved in an alleged foul shall participate in that protest
- 11.2 Boats filing a protest with the protest committee shall do so within 10 minutes of when the last boat finishes the last heat of the day. The protest must be written. Skippers may be granted additional time to file a protest, if required, in order to record relevant facts. Protests will be heard at least ½ hour prior to the first heat of the next race day.

### 12.0 Scoring

- 12.1 The Low Point Scoring System RRS A4 will be used for regattas or special events. (First place = 1, second = 2, etc)
- 12.2 Three heats completed shall be required to constitute a race day

12.3 A minimum of four boats is required for a race to be considered official.

## 13.0 Equipment and Measurement Checks

13.1 A boat and her equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with Class Rules and Sailing Instructions

## 14.0 Trophies

- 14.1 Trophies will be awarded at the CRSA fall banquet.
- 14.2 Trophies shall be given for overall 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place.
- 14.3 In order to qualify for a trophy, participants must have sailed in 60% of the club races.

## 15.0 Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.