



2023 GRAND ANNUAL REGATTA

SEPTEMBER 23 – 24, 2023
Cave Run Lake, KY

The organizing authority for this regatta is the
Cave Run Sailing Assn, Cave Run Lake, KY

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS



RULES - The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing. RRS 32.2 is replaced with: paragraph 12 below. RRS 63.7 is replaced with paragraph 17 below. RRS A5.3, V1, and V2 apply. RRS A,2.1 Scoring has been changed by paragraph 14 below.

2. ENTRIES - Competitors may enter the regatta by completing an entry form and paying the specified entry fee on-line (preferred) or at the Boat Gunnel pavilion before 1030 on Saturday September 23, 2023. All sailboats must have a unique number or other identification on the mainsail. [Entry form:](https://www.caverunsailing.org/regattas/grand-annual-regatta/) <https://www.caverunsailing.org/regattas/grand-annual-regatta/>

3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS - Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the Boat Gunnel pavilion.

4. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS will be posted before the Competitors Meeting on Saturday.

5. RACING SIGNALS

5.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed near the official notice board.

5.2. If a postponement is signaled ashore, the next Warning Signal will not be made less than 30 minutes after AP is lowered. This changes "Race Signals." Competitors should then sail to the racing area.

5.3. If Race Signals AP, First Substitute, or N is made on the race course, the removal of these signals will be accompanied with multiple sounds, 1 minute before the next Warning Signal.

6. REGATTA SCHEDULE – All times are Eastern Daylight times.

6.1. A Competitors' Meeting will be held at 1030 on Saturday September 23, 2023, at the Boat Gunnel Area.

6.2. Races are scheduled as follows: First Saturday race Warning Signal at 1200. Races to follow. No Warning Signal will be made after 1600. First Sunday race Warning Signal at 1000. Races to follow. No Warning Signal will be made after 1300. If the starting time for Sunday racing is changed, it will be posted no later than 2000 hrs Saturday. Regatta race count will be dependent on the weather and the time of day.

7. CLASS STARTS – Class Warning Flags will be plain shapes. The starting sequence and the color of the Warning Flag for each start and the fleets in each start will be announced at the Competitor's Meeting and will be posted on the official notice board.

8. RACING AREA - The racing area will be the North Basin of Cave Run Lake.

9. COURSE and MARKS

9.1. The courses will be a RRS Appx S Course W, modified, without a leeward gate. The Starting Line, and Finish Line, will be located within the windward leg. The number that follows the W is the number of windward legs in the course. The course will be designated on the side of the RC boat. All marks will be orange inflated shapes. The Starting mark may be yellow or of a different size. If the race course is shorter for a slower sailing fleet, a separate windward mark will be used. All marks will be exhibited at the Competitor's Meeting.

10. STARTING and FINISHING

10.1 The RC boat will raise the orange starting line flag 2 to 5 minutes before the following Warning Signal. Multiple horn sounds will be made 1 minute before the first Warning Signal. The time separation between fleet starts will be announced at the competitor's meeting.

10.2. Boats whose Warning Signal has not been made shall stay clear of the starting area.

10.3. Boats not starting within 4 minutes of their Starting signal shall be scored DNS without a hearing. Boats not observed in the Starting area will be scored DNC.

10.4 All races will start on the Port side and finish on the Starboard side of the RC boat.

11. TIME LIMIT – It is intended that all races will take 60 +/- 15 minutes for the first boat to finish. The time limit for the first boat in each fleet to pass the first mark is 45 minutes. The time limit for the first boat to finish each race will be 2 hours. Boats trailing the finish of the lead boat of their fleet by more than 30 minutes will be marked DNF and hailed to return to the Race Committee area. Such action is not grounds for redress.

12. SHORTENING OF THE COURSE - When the S Flag is flown at a mark or gate, the next leg of the race will be the new last leg of the race, ending at the RC boat from the direction of the S Flag. The S Flag will be continuously flown, with sounds, until all competitors have been notified of the shortening of the course. This changes RRS 32.

13. PROTESTS

13.1 RRS V1 and V2 apply.

13.2. A competitor intending to protest shall notify the Race Committee after finishing and still in the finish area.

13.3. Protest forms will be available at the Official Notice Board. Protests shall be delivered to the Official Notice Board within 60 minutes after the RC boat has raised the Red signal flag with one sound. The Race Committee will end the Protest Time period by lowering the Red signal Flag with one sound.. The protest time limit and a list of protests received will be posted on the notice board. Hearings will be held as soon as possible after racing each day at the Boat Gunnel Area.

14. SCORING Regatta scoring will be in accordance with RRS Appx A. All race scores, including worst race score, will count. This changes RRS A 2.1. One race will constitute the regatta. RRS A 5.3 applies.

15.SAFETY REGULATIONS

15.1. Before the first Warning Signal each day, each boat shall sail past the RC Boat and hail her sail number and receive acknowledgement from the Race Committee.

15.2. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee boat or any support boat as soon as possible. All competitors may carry a VHF radio and receive race information from the RC on channel 68.

15.3. All boats shall have on board all Federal and Kentucky required safety equipment.
<http://fw.ky.gov/FishBoatGuide/Pages/default.aspx>

15.4. It is each competitor's exclusive and individual responsibility to decide whether or not to race or to continue racing, to wear a Personal Flotation Device (PFD) unless directed by the Race Committee (Y Flag), and to otherwise provide for their own personal safety. See RRS 4 and 40.

15.5. The Corps of Engineers and USCG-Aux strongly recommend the use of PFDs. Persons under 12 years of age must wear a PFD while in the open part of a boat that is under way per (301 KAR 6:040 Sect. 4)

16. TROPHIES - Trophies will be awarded to the top three finishers in each class.

17. PRECEDENCE – In the event of a conflict between these Sailing Instructions and the Notice of Race, these Sailing Instructions shall have precedence. This changes RRS 63.7.