



2019 – Second Annual RS Tera North American Championships September 21-22, 2019

NOTICE OF RACE

1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

1.1. **The organizing authority** for this regatta is Dana Point Yacht Club (DPYC) in conjunction with the RS Sailing North America Class Association (RSTNA) and Dana Point Harbor Youth Foundation (DPHYF).

1.2. The Dana Point Yacht Club Race Committee will manage this Regatta and shall have sole authority to apply the rules & conditions of the race, and appoint a protest committee.

2. RULES

2.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of US Sailing, the International RS Tera Class Rules, this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.

2.2. A US Coast Guard approved PFD shall be worn at all times by competitors while on the water, other than brief periods while adding or removing clothing.

2.3. Competitors must have a floating tow line at least a 20' long and 5/16" minimum diameter.

3. ADVERTISING

3.1. Advertising permitted in accordance with the Class Rules and World Sailing Regulation 20.

3.2. Boats may be required to display advertising supplied by the Organizing Authority.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. The regatta is open to all boats of the RS Tera class.
- 4.2. All competitors must be a current member of the RS Tera North America Class Association. Class registration is through ClubSpot, <https://theclubspot.com/join/IDk0FFC2M7>
- 4.3. Registration shall be completed online at ClubSpot. <https://theclubspot.com/register/regatta/3SsyWwtU/class>
- 4.4. Entry fee is \$85 per boat and includes a regatta T-shirt, a power snack both days of racing, a snack for competitors after the race on Saturday, and a taco dinner for competitors after the race on Sunday; dinners for parents and siblings will be available for purchase on the registration page. Food for parents and siblings during the race days is available for purchase during the race at DPYC.
- 4.5. Entry closes on Wednesday, September 18, 2019 at 17:00 PDT. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Organizing Authority and are subject to an additional \$25 late fee.
- 4.6. A Medical Information / Liability Release form for all competitors must be completed and signed by the responsible parent or guardian electronically through the registration link.
- 4.7. Sailors wishing to sail PRO rigs should contact Donna Carter (secretary@rsterana.org) to establish a class. There are no PRO rigs for charter available.

5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

**Saturday, September 21 OC Sailing and Events Center (OCSEC)
34451 Ensenada PI, Dana Point, CA 92629
(Across the harbor from Dana Point Yacht Club)**

0830 – 1000 Registration & Check-In

1000 – Competitor's Meeting

Coach and Support Boat Meeting immediately following Competitor's Meeting

1030 – Courtesy Tow

1200 – First Warning Signal

Subsequent warnings to follow ASAP

Competitor snacks/Refreshments at OCSEC after races

Sunday, September 22 OCSEC

1000 – Courtesy Tow from OCSEC docks

1200 – First Warning Signal

Subsequent warnings to follow ASAP

No race started after 1530

1700 Competitor taco dinner and awards at OC Sailing and Events Center

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.1. The Sailing Instructions will be available at check-in and on the ClubSpot website no later than Wednesday, September 18, 2019.

7. FLIGHT SELECTION AND CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

7.1. This event consists of the following series:

Flight Selection Series:

Competitors will be seeded into color flights of, as nearly as possible, equal size by the race committee. The number of flights will be determined by the race committee based on the number of entries.

Championship Series:

The Championship Series shall consist of the two flights, Gold and Silver, as determined by the Flight Selection Series. The number of competitors in each flight will be determined by the race committee based on the number of entries

8. VENUE AND COURSES

8.1. Racing will take place in the open ocean outside of Dana Point Harbor.

8.2. The Sailing Instructions will include a course chart and schedule of races.

8.3. Sailors should bring adequate clothing, food, and water to be prepared for a long day on the water.

9. SCORING

9.1. The Flight Selection and Championship Series will each be scored separately.

9.2. No scores will be carried forward from the Flight Selection Series to the Championship Series.

9.3. If weather or other conditions make it unreasonable to complete the Flight Selection series on its scheduled day, the race committee may shorten or eliminate the series and continue the following series.

9.4. Flight Selection Series

9.4.1. Three completed races will constitute a series.

9.4.2. If three or fewer races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. This changes RRS A2.

9.5. Championship Series

9.5.1. Three races are scheduled for all boats.

9.5.2. One race will constitute a regatta.

9.5.3. If three or fewer races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. This changes RRS A2.

10. SUPPORT, COACHING, AND COACH BOATS

10.1. All coaches and support boats shall register at the OC Sailing and Events Center on September 21 by 10:00 am. Support boats will launch at Embarcadero Marina, 34512 Embarcadero Place, Dana Point, CA 92626, (949) 496-6177.

- 10.2. Boats cannot be stored at DPYC overnight. Arrangements for overnight parking on trailers must be made directly with the Embarcadero Marina.
- 10.3. 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 the race or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 10.4. A MANDATORY MEETING for all support, coach and coach boats will take place immediately following the skippers meeting.

11. BOATS AND TRAILERS

- 11.1. Boats shall be kept in their assigned places at the OCSEC for the duration of the regatta unless instructed otherwise.
- 11.2. Competitors must provide their own dollies and all boats must be clear of any fire lanes.
- 11.3. Trailers will be kept overnight in the parking lot adjacent to Dana Point Yacht Club or as otherwise directed. Trailers need to be registered with Organizing Authority by Saturday, September 21 to be given their permit. No trailers will be allowed in the Dana Point Yacht Club parking lot. Competitors bringing trailers should email Donna Carter (secretary@rsterana.org) of their intent to bring a trailer to be stored over night at DPYC.

12. BOAT CHARTERS

- 12.1. A limited number of RS Tera Sport boats are available for charter. Charters are \$100 for the weekend (nonrefundable) plus a \$250 refundable security deposit. There is a group discount for any yacht club or organization sending 3 or more total competitors. Contact John Berry (j.berry@dphyf.org) for more information or to reserve a charter boat. Charters will not be available after Wednesday, September 18 1700 PDT and are reserved on a first come, first served basis. Charters are not reserved until the charter fee and security deposit is paid.

13. SPECTATOR BOAT

- 13.1. Spectator boat(s) may be available. Please contact Donna Carter (secretary@rsterana.org) no later than Wednesday, September 18, 2019 to reserve space.

14. CLEAN SEAS

- 14.1. Competitors are requested to bring refillable water bottles.

15. PRIZES

- 15.1. 1st – 3rd Overall trophies will be awarded in each Gold and Silver flights.
- 15.2. The RS Tera North American Championship perpetual trophy and the title RS Tera North American Junior Champion will be awarded to the 1st Place finisher in Gold Fleet.

15.3. Other prizes and trophies may be added by the organizing authority.

16. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

16.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 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.

17. RIGHT TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

17.1. By participating in the RS Tera North American Championship all competitors (by parents or legal guardians of minors) acknowledge that they grant the Organizing Authority, its sponsors, and the National and International Class Associations the unconditional right and authority, in perpetuity, to publish and broadcast anywhere in the world, for any purpose and in any media, the names, images, and biographical information relating to the competitors and photographs, video footage, and audio recordings taken of the boat and skipper prior to, during, and after the races without compensation.

18. HOSPITALITY

- 18.1. There will be a snack for competitors after racing on Saturday and a taco dinner for competitors on Sunday after the race. Dinners for parents and siblings will be available for purchase on the registration site.
- 18.2. Guests may register with the DPYC front desk for a guest card. The dining room and bar will open at 1100 on Saturday and at 1000 on Sunday.

19. ACCOMMODATIONS

- 19.1. There are many hotels in the area. Hotels in Dana Point, San Clemente and San Juan Capistrano are all very close to Dana Point Harbor. Visit the DPYC website for Local Hotel Information.
- 19.2. [Dana Point Marina Inn](#) (0.7 miles from Dana Point Yacht Club and OC Sailing & Events Center), has arranged a group rate of \$149 per night for a standard room with 2 queen beds for regatta participants. To take advantage of this offer, please call Dana Point Marina Inn at (949) 496-1203 and mention that you are requesting the **2019 RS Tera North American Championship** rooms. The rooms are available on a first come first served basis until **Aug 20**. The rate includes free parking and Wifi as well as a continental breakfast.

20. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 20.1. Donna Carter
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