

2018 HERITAGE INSURANCE KONA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

October 26 – October 31, 2018
Clearwater Community Sailing Center
1001 Gulf Blvd., Clearwater FL 33755
USA



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The RRS including Appendix B.
- 1.2 No national prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3 U18 and younger competitors shall, when afloat, wear personal flotation devices. All other competitors may, when afloat, wear personal flotation devices. This rule does not apply to short-term replacement or adjustment of clothing or personal equipment, or when competitors are in the harbor or under deck. Wet suits and dry suits are not personal flotation devices. This changes RRS 40. A board that breaks this rule may be warned or penalized at the discretion of the jury.

- 1.4 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.
- 1.5 An International Jury is constituted and shall have authority per RRS Appendix N. Their decision shall be final provided in RRS 70.5. Per Appendix N2.2, KWA reserves the right and responsibility to decide issues of eligibility, measurement and equipment. KWA may refer any issue to the International Jury for advice.
- 1.6 In case of conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail (*This changes rule 63.7*)

2 Notices to Competitors

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at CCSC, under the event tent on Sand Key Beach and on the event web site www.2018worlds.konaone.com

3 Changes to the 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 on the flag pole near the event tent.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP.

5 Event Schedule

Date	Time	Event
Friday October 26 th	0900-1900	Check in and weigh in at CCSC front office
	1500	First warning practice race
	1830	Skippers Meeting
	1900	Welcome dinner
Saturday October 27 th		
	1100	First Possible Warning Signal
Sunday October 28 th		
	1000	First Possible Warning Signal
	1800	Dinner @ CCSC
Monday October 29 th		
	0930	First Warning
	1230	Last Possible Warning Course Racing
	1400	Warning Signal Distance Race
Tuesday October 30 th		
	1000	First Possible Warning Signal
	1800	Closing Dinner and Halloween Party @ CCSC
Wednesday October 31 st		
	1000	First Possible Warning Signal
	1300	Last Possible Warning Signal
	As soon as possible after racing	Awards

- 5.2 To alert boards that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag(s) will be displayed at least 1 minute before a warning signal is made.
- 5.3 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 1300 except as a consequence of a general recall.

- 5.4 The intent is to run no more than 2 races back to back before a beach break with 4 total races/day max. The option to run 3 races back to back is possible.
- 5.5 The race committee (RC) will attempt to set a course to be sailed in approx. 35 minutes.

6 Class Flags

- 6.1 Class flag for gold fleet will be the code flag K.
- 6.2 Class flag for silver fleet will be numeral pennant 9.

7 Racing Area

Attachment A shows the primary racing and secondary racing area. The RC shall determine racing areas based on conditions.

8 The Course

Attachment A shows the course, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

9 Marks

- 9.1 The course marks will be orange tetrahedrons.
- 9.2 The offset mark will be a red sphere.
- 9.3 Starting marks will be RC vessels with orange flags. If a separate course is set in the bay for the Silver fleet only, one starting mark will be a skinny yellow cylinder.
- 9.4 Finishing marks will be an RC vessel with a blue flag and a red sphere.
- 9.2 A new mark, as provided in SI 12, will be a yellow tetrahedron. If a separate course is set in the bay for the Silver fleet only, the new mark will be a yellow cylinder.

10 Areas that are Obstructions

Areas marked with swim buoys are to be avoided when launching and returning from the racing area.

11 The Start

- 11.1 Races will be started by using RRS B3.26.1 – System 1
- 11.2 The starting line will be between the staffs displaying orange flags on the Signal Vessel and the Starting Pin Vessel anchored at the Starting Pin. If a dropped mark is used on the port end, the starting line will be the course side of the mark defined in 9.3.
- 11.3 **[NP][DP]** Boards whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 11.4 **[NP]** Boards starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule RRS A4 and A5.

12 Change of the Next Leg of the Course

To change the next leg of the course, the RC will lay a new mark (or move the finish line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

13 The Finish

The finishing line will be between a blue flag on the signal vessel and a blue flag on another RC vessel or the course side of a red finish pin set windward of the signal vessel.

14 Penalty System

- 14.1 RRS Appendix P will apply with the following changes:
- 14.2 P2.2 and P2.3 will not apply. Only P2.1 will apply to the first penalty and any subsequent penalties. P2.4 is changed to refer to penalties only under P2.1 near the finish line.
- 14.3 There will be an International Jury constituted in accordance with RRS 91(b).
- 14.4 Scoring Penalty: A competitor may accept a scoring penalty for on the water breaches of a Part 2 rule or Rule 31. This will be in effect until the end of protest time or any time prior to a protest hearing about the

incident. This penalty will be 20% of the score for Did Not Finish rounded to the nearest whole number (0.5 rounded up). The score of the other boards shall not be changed. This penalty shall not cause the score of that competitor to be worse than DNF.

15 Time limits and target times

- 15.1 Time limit for the 1st finisher is 60 Minutes.
- 15.2 Boards failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first board sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

16 Protests & Request for Redress

- 16.1 Protest forms are available at the race office, located upstairs at CCSC. 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 board has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. *(This changes rule 61.3 RRS)*
- 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 protest room, located at upstairs at CCSC, beginning as stated in the posted notice.
- 16.4 Notices of protests by the RC, Technical Committee or the International Jury will be posted to inform competitors under rule 61.1(b).
- 16.5 A list of boards that, under SI 14.1, have been penalized for breaking RRS 42 will be posted.
- 16.6 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered
 - (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day; *(This changes rule 66 RRS)*
 - (b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. *(This changes rule 66 RRS)*
- 16.7 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a International Jury decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

17 Scoring

- 17.1 Four (4) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 17.2 (a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a board's series score will be the total of her race scores.
(b) When from 5 to 11 races have been completed, a board's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
(c) When 12 or more races have been completed, a board's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.
(d) The distance race shall not count towards a board's overall series score.

18 Safety Regulations [NP][SP]

- 18.1 The safety check out procedure applies at all times during the regatta. At check in competitors will be issued a safety tag with their name and sail number. Competitors shall put their safety tag on the safety board located at the beach tent to indicate that they are on the water. Competitors shall remove their safety tag from the safety board to indicate that they are back on land. Failure to check out will result in a 2 point penalty without a hearing for the first race sailed. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5. Failure to check in will result in a 2 point penalty without a hearing for the last race sailed. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5 Application of these penalties shall not result in a board being scored worse than DSQ. Only one 2 point penalty for

infringements of SI 18.1 will be applied to any one race. If no race is completed on the day of the infringement the penalty will be applied to the most recent completed race in the series or, if there were no races previously completed to the next completed race in the series.

18.2 A board that retires from a race shall notify the RC as soon as possible. **[DP]**

18.3 A board has 90 minutes of the last board finishing the last race to remove their safety tag indicating that they are back on land before the penalty is incurred.

19 Replacement OF Equipment **[NP]**

Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the RC. Written requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity. Approval for substitution will be posted on the Notice Board.

20 Equipment and Measurement **[DP] [NP]**

A Board or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and Sailing Instructions. On the water, a board can be instructed by a RC equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

21 Event Advertising **[DP] [NP] [SP]**

Boards shall display event advertising supplied the OA as follows: Heritage Insurance Sticker on the panel below the sail numbers in the middle of the panel.

22 Official Boats

Official Vessels will be marked as follows Signal will have navy blue "RC" flag. Mark vessels will have yellow "RC" Flags. Judge vessels will have code flag J flags.

23 Support Boats **[DP] [NP]**

Support person shall launch, moor and take up his vessel (coach-boat) according to the instructions from the organizer. Support person shall follow RRS 1, 2 and 55 and not subject a competitor to risk breaking the RRS 41. During the race, a support person not be closer to a competitor than 50 meters, except when the support person acting under RRS 1.1.

24 Disclaimer of Liability

24.1 Competitors participate in the event 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.

24.2 Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor and the responsible adult agree 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 and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, 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 organizer 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.

25 Rights to use name and likeness

By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the OA and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use, and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and

video recording, 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.

- [SP] Rules for which a standard penalty may be applied by the race committee
- [NP] Rules that are not grounds for protest by a boat (*This changes rule 60.1 a*)