



2024 NAASA F18 League

June 8-September 8, 2024
Narraganset Bay, Rhode Island

NOTICE OF RACE

1 Organizing Authority

- 1.1 Narragansett Adult Athletic Sailing Association ([NAASA](#))

2 Rules

- 2.1 The NAASA Race Days will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 2.2 Each competing boat shall conform to the F18 Class Rules with the exception that **the F18 Class rule C.3.2 regarding minimum crew weight does not apply** for this series.
- 2.3 Official documents, including sailing instructions and course descriptions, will be available online only (via [yachtscoring.com](#)). Paper copies will not be provided.
- 2.4 Radios may be used for the purposes of safety and receiving pertinent race information. Class rules restricting the use of radios for these purposes shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 2.5 Possession and/or consumption of alcohol is not permitted at Fort Adams.
- 2.6 For those events included in F18 League not run by NAASA – event specific rules apply.

3 Advertising

- 3.1 Advertising is permitted in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20 and the applicable class rules.
- 3.2 Boats may be required to display NAASA F18 League advertising supplied by the organizing authority

4 Eligibility and Entry

- 4.1 The series is open to class legal F18 Catamarans and sailors who are current members of NAASA in good standing
 - 4.1.1 Each team registration for the full NAASA series includes two NAASA memberships. Additional sailors may join NAASA online at [SailNAASA.org](#).
- 4.2 Register for NAASA events online at [yachtscoring.com](#). Teams entered for season will automatically be entered into League scoring. Other teams may enter League scoring by contacting NAASA President
- 4.3 All competitors acknowledge that by entering this series they are competent enough to self rescue themselves from any situation. Behave as if there are no RC safety boats for this series.
- 4.4 There will be no on-site registration at this series
- 4.5 Fees
 - 4.5.1 Participation in the NAASA F18 League and qualification for NAASA F18 League prizes is free for active NAASA boats in good standing
 - 4.5.2 Fees for events are as specified in the specific registration on [yachtscoring.com](#)
 - 4.5.3 Entry for each NAASA-hosted event will be \$175 per team



- 4.5.4 Entry for the full F18 League will be \$550 for the season (NAASA #1-4 and NE100, a 37% discount)

5 Definition and Schedule

5.1 The NAASA F18 League is scored series of F18 races comprised of a combination of dedicated NAASA events, the New England 100 (an open event run by NAASA requiring separate registration) and open events run by other Narragansett Bay clubs:

- June 8-9 – Wickford Regatta
- June 22-23 – NAASA #1
- July 13-14 – Sail Newport Regatta
- July 20-21 – NAASA #2
- August 17/18 – New England 100
- August 24-25 – NAASA #3 RI State Championship
- September 7-8 – NAASA #4 Season Closer

5.2 Schedule for NAASA Events

- 5.2.1 Targeted 1st Warning Signal will be at 1200 noon unless otherwise communicated.
- 5.2.2 RC shoreside communications will be via the sailors@sailnaasa.org email list. Any go/no-go notifications will be made before 0930 of that race day.
- 5.2.3 Fleet communication on the water will be made using either VHF CH72 or CH68 depending on local traffic. The RC may consult with a designated sailor representative as needed.
- 5.2.4 Sunday race days will have no warning signals after 1530.

6 Sailing Instructions

Sailing instructions will be made available online via yachtscoring.com at the event-specific pages, no later than one week prior to each event.

7 NAASA F18 League Scoring

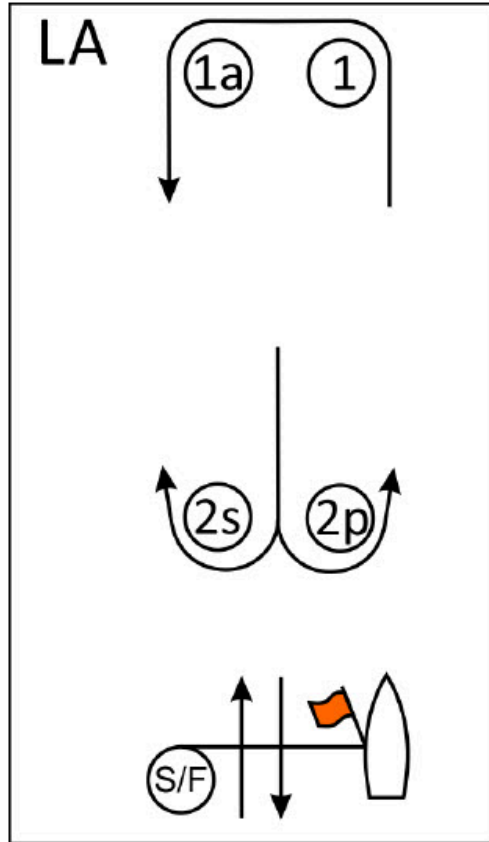
- 7.1 The scoring system is the Low Point System as described in Appendix A in the RRS except that Rule A5.3 shall apply and is modified so that a boat that does not come to the starting line shall be scored two points more than the number of boats that started in that race. [This modifies RSS A5.3]
- 7.2 Each race during a NAASA League event is scored separately. When five (5) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst excludable score.
- 7.3 Appropriately registered non-League boats will be scored by event, but results are removed from total League scoring.

8 Courses

- 8.1 Two types of courses may be used, Windward/Leeward or Distance as described below.
- 8.1.1 Windward/Leeward courses. Typically LA2 - 2 laps, with a single start/finish line, a standoff buoy after the windward mark and gate at the end of the 2nd leg that can be ignored on the final leg to the finish line.



8.1.2 In the event exact buoy placement for the described course is not possible, best efforts will be made to represent a similar course (S/F mark may substitute as leeward mark, etc). Confusion will not be grounds for individual redress.



Course LA – Windward/Leeward with Offset Mark, Leeward Finish	
Signal	Mark Rounding Order
LA2	Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – Finish
LA3	Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – Finish
LA4	Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – Finish

8.2 Distance courses will consist of rounding various islands and government or Race Committee (RC) marks described by the Race Committee before the Warning Signal

9 Prizes

9.1 Prizes for NAASA F18 League will be awarded at the NAASA annual meeting.

9.2 Intermediate prizes at each NAASA event may be awarded, at the discretion of the OA

10 Safety and Safety Equipment

10.1 All competitors will be required to wear high-vis color rash guards and a properly secured PDF at all times, from the time the boat leaves the dock to the time the boat returns to the dock, unless temporarily adding or removing clothing. Wet suits, dry suits and inflatable PFDs do not constitute adequate personal flotation.

11 Media Rights

11.1 Competitors give absolute right and permission for video footage and photographs of themselves or their boat to be published in any media for press, editorial, or advertising purposes.



12 Disclaimer of Liability

12.1 By participating in this series and any related activity sponsored or undertaken by NAASA originating at Sail Newport or elsewhere, the owner, helmsman and each crew member agree: that they understand that sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of serious bodily injury (including permanent disability, paralysis and death by drowning or otherwise), property damage and other economic loss; that the safety of the boat and her crew and the decision whether or not to start or continue to race is solely their responsibility and at their own risk (see RRS 3 – “Decision to Race”); that NAASA or Sail Newport, and its volunteers, officers, trustees, members, committees, employees, sponsors or agents will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or to any participant, including injury or death; and that each of them releases and waives all claims which he or she or any heir, representative, successor or assignee may have against NAASA, Sail Newport and its volunteers, officers, trustees, members, committees, employees, sponsors or agents arising out of or in any way connected with participation in such race or activity.

13 Further Information

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Sail Newport: 401-846-1983 | U.S. Coast Guard: VHF Channel 16