



NOTICE OF RACE 2026 NIGHT RACE SERIES



May 30 – June 27, 2026

Fort Walton Yacht Club
Fort Walton Beach, Florida

1. RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available on the club bulletin board and at registration on each race date.

3. COMMUNICATIONS

[DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channel 72.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1 The regatta is open to all ORR-EZ or PHRF Multihull rated boats with operational lighting in accordance with US Coast Guard Navigation Rules Part C, specifically Rule 20 and Rule 25

(<https://www.navcen.uscg.gov/navigation-rules-amalgamated>)

4.2 Fleet classification: A (IR# less than 680), B (IR# 680 and above) and Multihull (PHRF)

4.3 A minimum of two (2) boats will constitute a fleet.

4.4 Eligible boats may register at check-in or at <https://nextsailor.com/regatta/2026NRS>

5. FEES

The entry fee is \$10.00 per race.

6. SCHEDULE

6.1 Dates of racing: May 30 and June 27, 2026

6.2 Number of races: two (2) races will be attempted for each fleet.

6.3 Race Day Events:

Registration/Check-in	18:00 - 18:45	Patio
Skippers Meeting	18:45	Patio
First Warning	19:25	

7. COURSES

7.1 The racing area will be located on Choctawhatchee Bay using Government, Club and/or temporary marks.

7.2 Courses will be available by the Skippers Meeting on each race date.

8. SCORING

8.1 The High Point Scoring System of the Addendum will apply. This changes rules A4 and A9.

8.2 One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a regatta.

8.3 No race scores will be excluded. This changes rule A2.

9. RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 Decision to Race states: ‘The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone’. The Fort Walton Yacht Club 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.

10. PRIZES

10.1 Prizes will be awarded based on the number of boats in each fleet.

10.2 The Awards Ceremony will take place as soon as possible after the last race of the regatta.

11. FURTHER INFORMATION

FWYC Web Site	www.fwyc.org	
FWYC Office	office@fwyc.org	850-243-7102
Fleet Captain	fleetcaptain@fwyc.org	

ADDENDUM

HIGH POINT SCORING SYSTEM

1. RACE SCORES

- 1.1 Define 'N' to be the number of boats that come to the starting area in a particular race. Each boat starting and finishing and not thereafter retiring, being penalized or given redress will be scored as follows:

<u>Finishing Place</u>	<u>Score</u>
First	N
Second	N - 1
Third	N - 2
Fourth	N - 3
Each place thereafter	Subtract 1 additional point

- 1.2 Boats that do not compete in a race will not be scored.
1.3 Boats that are disqualified will score zero (0) points.
1.4 All other boats that come into the start area will score one (1) point.

2. SERIES SCORES

- 2.1 The series score for each boat will be the sum of her individual race scores.
2.2 Any excluded race counts as a race to qualify a boat for a series score, but not as one of her scored races.
2.3 The qualified boat with the highest series score is the winner, and others are ranked accordingly.

3. TIES AND OTHER RULES

- 3.1 Race ties will be broken using *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) rule A7.
3.2 Series ties will be broken using RRS rule A8.