

The following are notes regarding changes incorporated in the Special Rules for 2016.

Start Time.

The race will begin on Saturday February 20, 2016 at 0000 UTC (that is: 0100 CET, 1900 EST [Friday], 1600 PST [Friday]).

- Credits in 2016. Credits for successful team and formation flights may be used to offset penalty points.

Routing:

Required airport and special airspace restrictions will be included in the full rules to be released by Saturday, Feb 12th.

Aircraft Options and Requirements for the 2016 Race.

Various classes of aircraft are required to efficiently participate in the race. Teams should work to have pilots proficient in the following classes: Normal; Thoroughbreds; Medium and Heavy Civilian Jet Transports (all in Appendix A & B) with no significant changes from those types approved and used in 2015. As each category will have limitations of use by each 'type', pilots should be proficient in more than one type of aircraft. In particular, Normal category race aircraft will be limited to 4 uses per type for 2016.

Supersonic flight is not permitted. (The Duenna will record if speed exceeds Mach 1.05 and the leg will be examined by the Race Committee.)

Special Flights.

Special Flights are either Optional or Required segments specifically set for the current year.

Short flights - ideal opportunities to introduce new pilots to the rigors of RTWR flying as Baton Pilot. General Aviation aircraft (single or twin) with a Vne (Maximum Speed) of 200Kts or less (as shown in the aircraft.cfg file). (Typical aircraft include Cessna singles, light Piper twins, a variety of homebuilts and numerous European sport aircraft.)

Provision is also made for 2016 for Formation Flights and Team Flights similar to previous years.

Credits, Penalties, and the Bank.

Teams will keep open accounts of their penalty /credit time. Teams incur penalties for wingman transfers and rules violations. They also collect credit for achieving the standards in the Team Flights and Formation Flights... Credits in excess of penalties that remain at the end of the race shall be deleted.

The Duenna.

In 2016, all pilots must use the new Duenna v2.0 current release.