2018 MCSA Fall Championship Sailing Instructions

Hosted By: Columbia Yacht Club

Sailing Instructions

November 3-4, 2018

1. Rules

The Regatta will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the ICSA Procedural Rules, except as any of these are changed by these Sailing Instructions.

2. Entries

Eligible schools will enter the event by listing the names of Registered Contestants to participate for a team on the Record of Participation Forms.

3. Notices to Competitors

Notices to Competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located inside the clubhouse.

4. Changes in the Sailing Instructions

Any change in the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any changes to the schedule of races will be posted by 1630 on the day before it will take effect. Other changes may be made to expedite the running of the event if Judges approve and all teams are notified before the race in which the change would take effect.

5. Schedule of Races

Saturday

Reporting time: 0830 Skippers meeting: 0900

First Warning for 1st race: 0930

Warning for subsequent races will be sounded as soon as possible after a reasonable amount of time is given for the rotation of boats. Starts will not be delayed.

Sunday

Reporting time: 0900 First Warning: 0930

Warning for subsequent races will be sounded as soon as possible after a reasonable amount of time is given for the rotation of boats. Starts will not be delayed.

No "A" division race shall start after 1500.

6. Personal Flotation

Life Jackets are to be worn by all competitors, and must be Coast Guard approved. This changes RRS 40.

7. The Course

The diagram on the final page shows the course, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left. The length of the course will be adjusted in order to have a properly timed race as described by ICSA rules.

8. Marks

All marks will be small spherical buoys.

9. The Start

- 9.1 The starting sequence in ICSA Procedural Rule 18(b)(i) will be used. The sound signals will be given by either a whistle or by an automated horn. The starting line will be between a staff on the Race Committee boat at the starboard end, and the port-end starting mark.
 - 9.2 In the case of an On Course Side, the Race Committee will follow ICSA Procedural Rule 18(b)(ii).

10. Change of Course after the Start

A change of course after the start will be done in accordance with ICSA Procedural Rule 18(c)(i).

11. The Finish

The finishing line will be between a staff on the Race Committee boat and the course side of the finishing mark as shown on the diagram on the final page of the Sailing Instructions.

12. Penalty System

12.1 RRS 44.1 will be used

13. Protests and Breakdowns

- 13.1 A boat intending to protest will use the procedures in PR 29 (Notification)
- 13.2 Protests and Breakdowns will be written. Standard ICSA forms are available from the host school. Completed forms are to be handed to the scorer when the protesting skipper has more than 30 minutes ashore between races
- 13.3 Protests will be heard in approximately the order of receipt. The protesting parties and all witnesses should be prepared to have their hearings at any time after the protest has been filed and all parties are ashore.

14. Scoring

Scoring will be done as prescribed in ICSA Procedural Rules 23 and 24.

15. Support Boats and Coaching

Communication and contact between competitors and other individuals will be governed by ICSA Procedural Rule 19 (Coaching).

16. **Food**

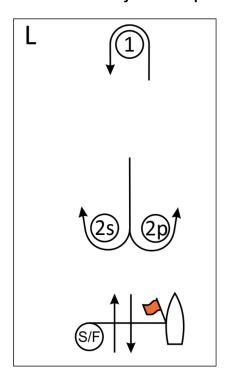
There will be a \$135 fee for each competing team for the food provided. There will be breakfast provided on both days and lunch provided on Saturday. We recommend sailors bring snacks for Sunday since lunch will not be provided given that no A division race shall start after 1500.

17. Skipper Requirements

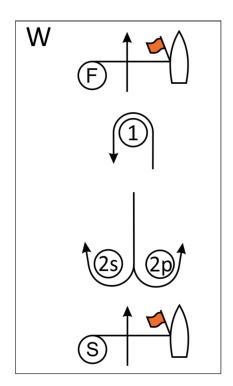
Per the MCSA Fall Championship format, half of all races by a team must be skippered by a female unless the team is given a waiver from the MCSA Commissioner. Waiver requests must be submitted by noon (1200) on Friday, November 2, 2018.

Course Options:

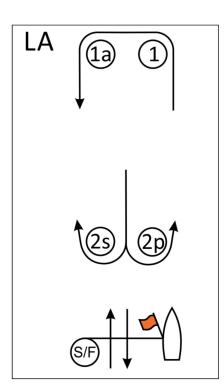
**Note that all buoys will be spheres, with the upwind finish and the gate being yellow, the rest being pink



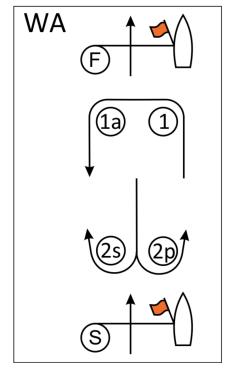
Course L – Windward/Leeward, Leeward Finish		
Signal	Mark Rounding Order	
L2	Start – 1 – 2s/2p – 1 – Finish	
L3	Start – 1 – 2s/2p – 1 – 2s/2p – 1 – Finish	
L4	Start – 1 – 2s/2p – 1 – 2s/2p – 1 – 2s/2p – 1 – Finish	



Course W – Windward/Leeward, Windward Finish		
Signal	Mark Rounding Order	
W2	Start – 1 – 2s/2p – Finish	
W3	Start - 1 - 2s/2p - 1 - 2s/2p - Finish	
W4	Start – 1 – 2s/2p – 1 – 2s/2p – 1 – 2s/2p – Finish	



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	



Course WA – Windward/Leeward with Offset Mark, Windward Finish		
Signal	Mark Rounding Order	
WA2	Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – Finish	
WA3	Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – Finish	
WA4	Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – Finish	