

**United States Merchant Marine Academy
Department of Waterfront Operations and Training**

Procedures in place for hosting of the Nevins Trophy
16-17 October 2021



OPERATIONAL PROTOCOLS

1. The following operational protocols and logistics will be the standard for the running of the events, following on local, state, and national guidelines as well as those guidelines set forth by USMMA, MAISA, and ICSA.
 - a. These protocols shall be disseminated electronically to all competition teams prior to the event as well as published online.
 - b. These social distancing plans for all regatta operations are outlined below. They include, but are not limited to, equipment, rigging and de-rigging, coaching, facilities and restroom use, and meal breaks.
2. All individuals (regardless of vaccination status) shall wear a face covering at all times while indoors at the regatta venue. Fully vaccinated individuals are not required to wear face coverings outdoors. Athletes are not required to wear masks while racing.
3. All large meetings that need to be held prior to or following the event will be conducted virtually or outdoors, if necessary.

Event Logistics

1. Prior Preparation and Communication

- a. Basic operational plan will be circulated virtually several days in advance to all sailors and coaches. This will include all on-site protocols and operational procedures.
- b. Communication in advance eliminates all need for pre-competition group meetings. Any updated announcements will be announced via megaphones to allow organizers to communicate at a safe distance

2. On-Shore Operations

a. Dock and Facility

- i. Masks must be worn indoors by all individuals regardless of vaccination status
- ii. Fully-vaccinated individuals will not be required to wear masks while outdoors, and all athletes are not required to wear masks while racing.
- iii. Teams and individuals will be outdoors for almost the entirety of the event, apart from the use of restrooms, changing areas, etc.
- iv. Each team should keep their gear and food in their vehicles. When we break for lunch, we encourage that visiting teams remain outdoors, on the Tyson Pavilion (2nd floor of Yocum) or near their vehicles.

b. Restrooms

- i.** Yocum 1st floor locker rooms will be reserved for USMMA sailing team members and support staff
- ii.** Additional restrooms will be made available to eliminate any congestion indoors.
- iii.** These options may include:
 - 1.** Yocum 2nd floor restrooms
 - 2.** Restrooms by the Elderidge Pool
 - 3.** Restrooms in Prosser Boathouse at south end of Hague Basin

3. On-The-Water Operations

- a.** Use of facial covering is mandatory for all un-vaccinated competitors, coaches, and staff indoors, outdoors and on coachboats, except for athletes while racing.
- b.** It is our intention to have coaches on the water if conditions allow. We ask that each team limit themselves to one alternate on the water at a time, in order for adequate room to accommodate all teams.