

George Warren Smith Trophy  
Massachusetts Institute of Technology  
The People's Republic of Cambridge



September 30, 2023

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

### 1. RULES

- 1.1. This regatta shall be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 (RRS), [the Procedural Rules](#) (PR) and Class Rules for Intercollegiate Sailing Competition 2021-2024, and the [NEISA Rules and Regulations](#), except as any of these are modified by these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2. Any questions regarding these Sailing Instructions should be submitted in writing to [PRO Franny Charles](#).

### 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1. Notices will be posted on the official regatta notice board located west of the main lobby and on tech score.

### 3. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1. Any changes in the sailing instructions will be announced orally and posted before the first race in which they take effect.

### 4. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

<b>Saturday</b>	1030	Report Time
	1045	Competitors Meeting
	ASAP	First Warning Signal
	1800	No Start after

### 5. FORMAT

- 5.1. Competitors shall start with A Division in **420s with ZIM MAINSAILS** and B Division in Tech Dinghies. Sailors shall rotate boats and classes of boats every three races.
- 5.2. Bathroom, water and snack breaks will also occur after every three races.

### 6. BOATS & EQUIPMENT

- 6.1. Adjustments to the standing rigging are welcome and permissible between races in **tech dinghies only**.
- 6.2. The main halyard may be rigged to assist in holding the boom out.
- 6.3. Bailing buckets shall be tied to the boat
- 6.4. Competitors shall report all damage or loss of equipment, however slight, to MIT Dockmaster or to the Race Committee Finish Boat on the water.
- 6.5. If a substitute boat needs to be employed, please bring your mainsail from the broken boat to the new boat.

### 7. ROTATION

Competitors will rotate boats and types of boats after every third race.

## **8. MARKS**

- 8.1. All rounding marks will be *pink and green balls*.
- 8.2. The starting mark will be the farther away pink ball on the port side of the RC signal boat. The starting line will be between a staff displaying *an orange flag* on the Race Committee Start Boat and the course side of the starting mark.
- 8.3. The finish line will be between the orange flag on the finish boat and the orange ball to the port side. If a plus course is sailed, the finishing line shall be between two yellow balls.

## **9. COURSE**

- 9.1. Courses will be announced orally and taken from the course diagrams *on* the Official Notice Board and on the Tech Score notice board.

## **10. STARTING SYSTEM**

- 10.1. Races will be started in accordance with PR 18(b)(i).

## **11. PROTESTS**

- 11.1. Protests shall be filed in accordance with the ICSA Procedural Rules.
- 11.2. Protests shall be filed with 10 minutes of securing boats to the shore after the three race set in which the incident occurred. Protests forms will be available *from the counter in the lower lobby of the sailing pavilion*. They should be submitted to the score keeper at the computer in the upstairs office area.
- 11.3. Video, data and/or photographs taken from any source may be presented as evidence at protest hearings.

## **12. SAFETY**

- 12.1. Competitors who require assistance from rescue boats should signify by waving arms overhead. A competitor who retires from a race shall notify any member of the Race Committee as soon as possible.
- 12.2. Starts will not be delayed accommodating capsized boats.

## **13. COACHING**

- 13.1. PR 19 will apply.

Regatta Chair-Matt Lindblad

PRO- Franny Charles, MIT Sailing Master emeritus

Questions regarding the facility or boats may be addressed to: [sailingcoaches@mit.edu](mailto:sailingcoaches@mit.edu)