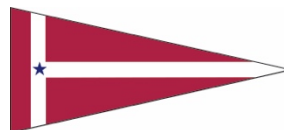


George Warren Smith Trophy
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
September 27, 2025



1. RULES

- 1.1. This regatta shall be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028 (RRS), [the Procedural Rules](#) (PR) and Class Rules for Intercollegiate Sailing Competition 2025-2028, 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 Matt Lindblad (mitsail@mit.edu)

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

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

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

Saturday	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 BLUE RIBBON sails, found in the blue bags in the boats** and B Division in Tech Dinghies. Sailors shall rotate boats every 2 races.
- 5.2. Divisions will switch classes of boats after the fourth race.

6. BOATS & EQUIPMENT

- 6.1. Adjustments to the standing rigging are allowed **between races in tech dinghies only**.
- 6.2. The tech dinghy 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

7.1. Rotations are posted on techscore.

8. MARKS

8.1. All rounding marks will be *orange, yellow, and green balls*.

8.2. 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 yellow ball to the port side.

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 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 or at the lobby. Protest forms must be filled out completely and incomplete protest forms will not be accepted.

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/PRO-Matt Lindblad

Questions regarding the facility or boats may be addressed to: mitsail@mit.edu