

The Nickerson Trophy
Bacow Sailing Pavilion, Tufts University
Upper Mystic Lake, Medford, MA
October 25-26, 2025

1. Rules

- 1.1. The Regatta will be governed by the *Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)* and the *ICSA Procedural Rules (PR)*.
- 1.2. For the purposes of RRS rule 31, the flag on the mast buoy staff shall not be counted as part of the mark. Only contact with the buoy or staff shall incur a penalty.
- 1.3. Competitors shall be first-year college students only. Any exceptions must be approved by the RC and a representative from each team.

2. Notices to Competitors

- 2.1. Notices to competitors and course diagrams will be posted on Techscore.

3. Schedule of Races

Saturday report time	1030
Competitor's meeting	1045
No warning signal after (Saturday)	1800
Sunday report time	0930
No warning signal after (Sunday)	1500

4. Format

- 4.1. Racing will be conducted in two race sets starting with "A" division, followed by "B" division, then alternating throughout.
- 4.2. Rotations will be posted on Techscore.

5. Boats and Equipment

- 5.1. 2024 Zim FJ dinghies will be provided to all competitors, who shall not modify the standing rigging in any way.
- 5.2. All damage should be reported to the PRO or other race official immediately following the race where the damage occurred.

6. The Course

- 6.1. The course will be W3, W4, W5, or W6. Each course will feature a windward offset, and a leeward gate, which will be set just to windward of the starting line.

7. Marks

- 1.2. Marks of the course will be mast buoys. Starting and finishing marks will display orange flags, and turning marks will display purple flags.
- 1.3. The flag will not be counted as part of the mark for the purposes of RRS rule 31.

8. The Start

- 8.1. Races will be started in accordance with *PR 18* and *PR Appendix C, Modified Sound-Signal Starting System*.

9.

The Finish

- 9.1. The finish line for odd-numbered courses will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starboard end committee boat and a finish pin located upwind of the weather marks.
- 9.2. The finish line for even-numbered courses will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal boat, and the nearest mast buoy displaying an orange flag to port of the signal boat.

10. Protests

- 10.1. Protest Forms are available upstairs on the desk in the office/kitchenette. Protests shall be filed with the scorekeeper within 20 minutes of the end of any set of races.