

Jefferson Cup
September 26-27, 2026
Sailing Instructions

1. Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS 2025-2028), the prescriptions of US SAILING, the Procedural and Class Rules for Intercollegiate Sailing Competition 2025-2028, and these Sailing Instructions.

2. Notice to Competitors

- 2.1 Notices to competitors, including boat rotations, will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board located on land.

3. Changes in Sailing Instructions

- 3.1 Any changes in the Sailing Instructions will be announced orally by the Race Committee and, when possible, posted before the first race in which they are to take effect.

4. Schedule of Events

- 4.1 Saturday: 1030 Report time
 1045 Competitor's Meeting
 1115 First warning
- 4.2 Sunday: 1000 First warning
 1500 No starting signal after
- 4.3 14 races in each division are scheduled; however, only three (3) races in each division are needed to constitute a series as provided in the ICSA PR. The ability to extend the regatta is reserved by the Race Committee.

5 Boats and Equipment

- 5.1 FJs will be provided for all competitors, who shall not modify any boat or cause them to be modified in any way, except that competitors may adjust lines and controls normally adjustable. The standing rigging shall not be adjusted.
- 5.2 The penalty for infringing the above instructions will be disqualification from all races sailed in contravention of these Sailing Instructions.
- 5.3 Competitors shall report any damage or loss of equipment, however slight, to the boat repair committee immediately after arriving ashore or to the Race Committee on the water. The penalty for infringing this instruction, unless the Jury is satisfied that the competitor made a determined effort to comply, will be disqualification from the race most recently sailed.

6. Format

- 6.1 The regatta format will be a double round robin.

7. Rotation

- 7.1 Rotation will be in accordance with the rotation sheet provided at the Competitors' Meeting, and any subsequent rotation sheets that may be provided to replace it. Boat exchanges will occur at the dock.

8. RACING AREA

- 8.1. The Racing Area will be Lake Anna, Pleasants Landing- Bumpass, VA.

9. THE COURSE

- 9.1. In accordance with RRS 28 with changes or additions as follows.
- 9.2. The courses are illustrated in the APPENDIX to these instructions. The courses will be announced orally by the Race Committee.
- 9.2. Rounding marks will be red buoys.

10. START/FINISH

- 10.1. Races will be started in accordance with PR 18. Races will be started using the standard 3-minute dinghy start sequence of sounds.
- 10.2. The starting line will be between a staff displaying a flag on the Race Committee Start Boat, and the course side of an orange mark.
- 10.3. The finish line will be between a staff displaying a flag on the Race Committee Finish Boat and an orange mark.
- 10.4. If a boat is delaying the finish of a race, or the rotation, the Race Committee may end the race and score the boat in its current position.

11. RECALLS

- 11.1. Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.1 and PR 18 (B)(ii). Individual recalls shall be signaled by hailing the sail number of each recalled boat and displaying code flag X. The maximum time that the X flag shall be displayed is two minutes.
- 11.2. Multiple whistles or horns and the hail of the words "general recall" will signal a general recall. After a general recall, the "round-the-end" provision RRS 30.1 and PR 18(B)(iii) will be in effect, with or without the display of code flag "I". The first substitution flag need not be flown following a general recall.

12. CHANGES OF COURSE AFTER THE START

- 12.1. Any mark of the course may be moved in accordance with PR 18(C)(i).

13. PROTESTS

- 13.1. Protests shall be filed in accordance with the ICSA Procedural Rules with the following change: "Race Committee" in PCR 29(b) is changed to "Race Committee Finish Boat."
- 13.2. Protests shall be filed within 30 minutes of reaching the dock after the race in which the incident occurred. This changes PR 30.
- 13.3. Protest forms will be located adjacent to the Official Regatta Notice Board and must be turned in to the scorer.

14. SAFETY

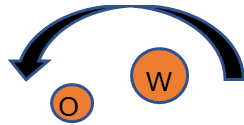
- 14.1. A boat requesting assistance from support boats should signal by waving hands overhead.
- 14.2. A capsized boat may be righted and sailed by its crew, unless, in the sole judgment of the Race Committee, safety or the progress of the regatta would be affected, in which case the crew shall accept assistance, and the boat will be scored 'DNF.'
- 14.3. Starts may not be delayed to accommodate capsized boats.
- 14.4. A boat that retires shall notify the Race Committee either before leaving the course area, or immediately upon arriving ashore.

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

15.1 Sailing is an inherently dangerous sport. Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for any material damage nor personal injury nor death sustained in conjunction with, or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

16. APPENDIX

- 16.1 Possible courses are diagrammed below. The number of legs will be denoted by course letter followed by the number of legs as hailed by the race committee.
- 16.2 W2 stands for Windward-Leeward course, with two beats, W4 stands for Windward-Leeward course, with four beats. Courses may be announced orally by the Race Committee Start Boat.



W2: Start - W - O - Finish

W4: Start - W - O - G1/G2 - W - O - Finish

