

# Thompson Trophy



U.S. Coast Guard Academy  
New London, CT  
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## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

### 1. RULES

- 1.1. This regatta will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing (2021-2024), the Procedural Rules and Class Rules for Intercollegiate Sailing Competition, and the NEISA Rules and Regulations, except as any of these are modified by these Sailing Instructions.

### 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1. Notices will be posted to the notice board on techscore.

### 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 are to take effect.

### 4. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday	1030	Report Time
	1800	No Starting Signal After

### 5. FORMAT

- 5.1. The event will be sailed in two divisions. A-Division will start in CC FJs and B-Division in CGA FJs.

### 6. BOATS & EQUIPMENT

- 6.1. FJs will be provided for all competitors, who shall not modify any boat or cause them to be modified in any way.  
6.2. The standing rigging shall not be adjusted.  
6.3. The penalty for infringing instruction 6.1 or 6.2 will be disqualification from all races sailed in contravention of those instructions.  
6.4. Competitors shall report all damage or loss of equipment, however slight, to CGA/CC coaches or to the Race Committee Boat on the water.

### 7. ROTATION

- 7.1. Boats will be assigned for each skipper and crew(s) for the duration of the event. There will be no boat rotation.

## **8. MARKS**

- 8.1. Rounding marks will be colored buoys for the FJ Fleet.
- 8.2. The start line will be between a staff displaying a flag on the Race Committee Start Boat and buoy at the port end (start mark).

## **9. COURSE**

- 9.1. Course diagrams will be posted on the Notice Board.

## **10. STARTING SYSTEM**

- 10.1. FJ races will be started in accordance with PR 18(b)(i).
- 10.2. Recalls will be in accordance with PR 18(b)(ii) and PR 18(b)(iii).

## **11. PROTESTS**

- 11.1. Every attempt should be made to exonerate rule infringements on the water.
- 11.2. Completed protest forms shall be photographed and sent via email or text to David Thompson within the time limit.
- 11.3. In the event of a protest, all hearings will be conducted virtually.

## **12. SAFETY**

- 12.1. Competitors who require assistance from rescue boats should so signify by waving arms overhead. A competitor who retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.
- 12.2. Starts will not be delayed to accommodate capsized boats.
- 12.3. At the discretion of the Regatta Chairman, a race may be abandoned at any point if there is submarine traffic approaching in the Thames River. When a race is abandoned, competitors shall sail toward Jacobs Rock floats and the rotation area. Failure to comply with SI 12.3 will result in disqualification from the regatta. This changes RRS 32.1.

## **13. COACHING**

- 13.1. Coach boats will be provided for all coaches.
- 13.2. Coaching will be performed after races and during breaks.
- 13.3. In the event of an emergency, coaches will be asked to assist competitors on their team.