

# Connecticut Valley Dinghy Championship Viotor Trophy



U.S. Coast Guard Academy  
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## INFORMATION FOR COACHES AND COMPETITORS

Welcome to the 2023 Connecticut Valley Dinghy Championship/Viotor Trophy. Please read the following information, to supplement the already published Sailing Instructions. This is for your information only and will not take precedence over the previously mentioned official document.

### Arrival/Parking

- All passengers travelling to the US Coast Guard Academy should have some form of legal ID to present to the guard at the front gate. They do not always ask for everyone's IDs. But if they do and you don't have it you will likely be turned around.
- The 15 mph speed limit is strictly enforced on campus.
- There is **massive construction** ongoing at the Academy Waterfront and the parking has been dramatically reduced along Eagle Drive. We are trying to clear out and reserve space near the Jacobs Rock causeway but teams might be forced to park further North or up the Hill. Teams should be prepared for a "commute" to your vehicle.

### Jacobs Rock

- Jacobs Rock does not have the indoor capacity for all regatta participants. Teams will need to be spread out to maximize the space that is available. The diagram posted on tech score shows the areas available: observation deck, Chapman room, Silo, Sail locker and work room.
- **NO GEAR, FOOD, COOLERS OR WET GEAR WILL BE PERMITTED INSIDE THE 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR OF JACOBS ROCK.**
- The bathrooms on the second floor of Jacobs Rock will be reserved for coaches and race officials only. Competitors are to use the bathrooms/locker rooms on the bottom floor ONLY.
- Competitors may not change under layers in public places. Use the locker rooms.

### Racing

- The Sailing Instructions are posted online.
- In-set substitutions will be allowed but at the risk of missing the next warning signal.
- Rotations will normally take place on shore. In the case that a rotation takes place on the water, competitors will be given additional time to talk to their coach.
- In order to reduce potential damage to the fleets, boats 9-16 in each division will rotate on the southern float and boats 1-8 will rotate on the eastern float on the causeway after each set.
- It is our intention to continue racing both days with a short lunch break that likely will be staggered among divisions. Competitors will likely be given a slightly extended rotation (10-15 minutes) at the docks at some point in the afternoon.
- We will normally start a subsequent race when the race on the course is rounding the gate.

### Boats

- Competitors are asked to take good care of our fleet:
  - Tie your sail bags down before beginning to rig.
  - Always land on the leeward side of the dock. If there isn't enough room, wait.
  - Please ensure the rudders are tied into each boat
  - Do not put your rudder on while the boat is on the dock.
  - Do not put the mainsail up until you are ready to go sailing.
  - Do not sail within 20 yards of Jacobs Rock.

## **Coaching**

- Coach will be on land.