

Keelhauler Open Regatta

April 1-2, 2023

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

1 RULES

- 1.1** This regatta shall be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of US Sailing, ICSA Procedural Rules, ICSA Collegiate Dinghy Class Rules, PCCSC Standing Rules, and the Notice of Race, except as modified by these Sailing Instructions.

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1** Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1030 on the day it will take effect.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1** Notices to competitors will be posted on Tech Score AND announced verbally on the water and/or at the rotation dock.
- 3.2** On the water, the race committee will make any attempt to communicate verbally directly with competitors.

4 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 4.1** **1000-** Competitors meeting in CMA boat basin.
- 1100-** First Warning signal.
- 1700 (1500 on Sunday)-** no starting sequence will be initiated after this time.

5 RACING AREA

- 5.1** The racing area will be in Morrow Cove directly adjacent to the CMA campus waterfront.

6 FORMAT

- 6.1** This will be a combined division open regatta.
- 6.2** Teams will stay in their original boats for the duration of the regatta.
- 6.3** There is a limit of 16 total races. There will be a short break after every 4 races to return to the dock.

7 COURSES

- 7.1** The course will be a W4 with a leeward gate directly to windward of the line.

A diagram will be displayed in the boat basin.

8 MARKS

8.1 All marks will be light green or orange balls.

9 THE START

9.1 Races will be started using a three minute dinghy sequence following a repeater.

9.2 An automatic starting horn will be used for the start. If the horn should fail a whistle will be used instead.

9.3 Boats OCS will be notified via flag. Individual verbal notification will be attempted, but not guaranteed.

10 THE FINISH

10.1 The finish line will be the same as the starting line, with downwind finishes.

10.2 Boats may be scored in place to facilitate timely races.

11 BOATS and EQUIPMENT

11.1 Boats are supplied to teams by request and per availability. There is no charter fee. Do not adjust the standing rigging. Competitors have the option of rigging the mainsheet purchase either 3:1 or 4:1.

11.2 Teams are requested to provide two sets of their own sails with conference assigned numbers. CMA can provide sails, but will be practice numbered.

11.3 Boats are to be identified by sail numbers only. CMA supplied boats are also labelled with bow numbers. Disregard bow numbers for boat identification, use only sail numbers.

11.4 Competitors shall report all damage or loss of equipment, however slight, to the Race Committee.

12 PROTESTS

12.1 Written protest forms shall be presented to the Race Committee within 20 minutes of their final return to shore after racing for the day. Protest forms will be available on the Tech Score notice board.

13 RISK STATEMENT

13.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas,

sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**