



2024 College Sailing Open Team Racing National Championship

For the Walter C. Wood Trophy

Hosted at the Wood Sailing Pavilion-MIT

April 25-27, 2024

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1. This regatta will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing (2021-2024), including Appendix D; the ICSA Procedural Rules (PR), the ICSA Championship Conditions, and the Collegiate Dinghy Class Rules for Intercollegiate Sailing Competition; except as any of these are modified by these sailing instructions.
- 1.2. RRS D2 will apply for all races as modified by the ICSA Procedural and Collegiate Dinghy Class Rules. 1.3. In accordance with RRS D4.3(c), results from previous round robin stages shall carry forward, except as provided in SI 5.4.
- 1.3 RRS D4.3(b) is replaced with "If the round of 16 is terminated when fewer than 80% of its scheduled races have been completed its race results shall not be included except as described in SI 5.4. If any subsequent round-robin is terminated before 100% of its scheduled races have been completed, its race results shall not be included, but shall be used to break ties between teams in the group who all sailed each other in the terminated round robin.
- 1.4. Any questions regarding these SIs should be submitted in writing to the ICSA Representative.

2. REGISTRATION & NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 ICSA Board-approved entries shall complete registration on the ICSA Championships website.
[LINK]
- 2.2 Notices will be posted on 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

April 24-18:30 Competitors' Meeting, Zoom link to be posted to Techscore

April 25- 10:00 report time, 10:30 First Warning Signal

April 26 -10:00 report time, 10:30 First Warning Signal

April 27- 10:00 report time, 10:30 First Warning Signal, 1700 No Start Signal After

Awards: Prize giving will be immediately following racing at the Walter C. Wood Sailing Pavilion

5. FORMAT

- 5.1 Teams will be put in two seeded groups (SI Appendix A) by the ICSA Selection Committee. The rotation will be set up such that these seeded groups sail against the others in their group at the

beginning of Stage 1.

5.2 The format is:

- Stage 1 - a round robin of all sixteen teams
- Stage 2 - a round robin of the top 8 teams from the Stage 1
- Stage 3 - a round robin of the top 4 teams from Stage 2

5.3 If the format in SI 5.2 cannot be completed, the format may be changed to:

- Stage 1 - a round robin of all sixteen teams
- Stage 2 - a round robin of the top 4 teams from the Stage 1
- Stage 3 - a second round robin of the top four teams

5.4 If, in the opinion of the PRO in consultation with the ICSA Rep, after race 56 and prior to race 91, it becomes unlikely that round robin of 16 can be completed, the format may be changed to:

- Stage 1 - a round robin of each of the seeded groups of 8 (this will have been accomplished during the first 56 races of the 16 team round robin)
- Stage 2 - a round robin of the top 4 teams from each of the seeded groups. Races already sailed will not be repeated. Race results will only be brought forward from Stage 1 in races sailed against teams qualified for Stage 2.
- Stage 3 - a round robin of the top 4 teams from stage 2

6. BOATS & EQUIPMENT

6.1. 2021 Zim FJ's with ZIm Platinum Mains and ICSA branded platinum jibs and 2022 Zim 420E's with ICSA supplied Zim Platinum main and jibs will be provided for all competitors, who shall not modify any boat or cause them to be modified in any way. Competitors have the option of rigging the mainsheet purchase either 3:1 or 4:1.

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 the boatswain immediately after arriving on shore or to the Race Committee Finish Boat on the water. 6.5. Both Zim FJ's and 420E's will be used in Stage 1. FJ's will be used for Stage 2 and 3.

7. ROTATION

7.1. The rotation of boats will be in accordance with the online rotation.

8. MARKS

8.1. Rounding marks 1 & 2 will be orange marks.

8.2. Rounding marks 3 & 4 will be orange marks.

8.3. The starting line will be between a red flag on the Race Committee Boat and the course side of a green mark.

8.4. The finish line will be between a red flag on the Race Committee Boat and the course side of a green mark.

9. COURSE

9.1. The Digital N - see course diagram.

10. STARTING SYSTEM

10.1. Races will be started in accordance with PR 18(b)(i).

10.2. The Race Committee may opt to use a rolling starting system; that is a system where the warning signal for a subsequent race is the starting signal for the previous race.

11. RECALLS

- 11.1. Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with PR 18(b)(ii) except that there will be no sound signal (this changes PR 18 (b)(ii)).
- 11.2. A general recall will be used in accordance with PR 18(b)(iii), except that the "1-minute rule" (RRS 30.1) will not be used. (Changes PR 18(b)(iii))

12. REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 12.1 Requests for redress shall be filed with the scorer within 15 minutes of the last competitor's arrival ashore after the race or set of races in which the incident occurred.
- 12.2 Forms will be available from the scorer's office.

13. BREAKDOWNS

- 13.1. When a boat suffers a breakdown in the racing area, she may request redress by hailing an umpire or the race committee to that effect at the first reasonable opportunity after the breakdown, until the hail is acknowledged. If possible, she shall continue racing. This changes RRS D5.2 and PR 25.
- 13.2 When a boat suffers a breakdown near the dock or during a rotation, she shall notify the bosun on the dock at the first opportunity.

14. SCORING

- 14.1. RRS D3 and D4 shall be used, as modified by PR 25 and these Sailing Instructions.

15. SAFETY

- 15.1. Competitors who require assistance from rescue boats should signify by waving arms overhead. A competitor who retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.
- 15.2. Starts will not be delayed to accommodate capsized boats.

16. COACHING

- 16.1. PR 19 will apply. Coaching will be from the MIT Sailing Pavilion or parkland around the lower basin of the Charles River.

17. RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

- 17.1. By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the OA and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recordings, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.

18. DRONES

- 18.1. No drones shall be launched or landed at the MIT Sailing Pavilion.