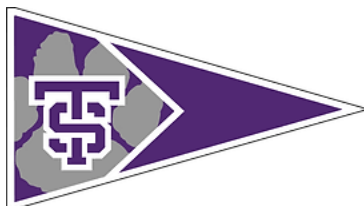


**MCSA OPEN TEAM RACE QUALIFIER**  
**Hosted by UNIVERSITY OF ST. THOMAS**  
**Wayzata Bay, Lake Minnetonka**  
**456 Arlington Cir, Wayzata, MN 55391**  
**April 4-5, 2025**



## **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

**Amendment 1 - April 3rd, 2025**

### **1. RULES**

- 1.1. This regatta shall be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) including Appendix D as changed by this NOR and the Sailing Instructions, ICSA Procedural Rules, ICSA Collegiate Dinghy Class Rules, General Conditions for ICSA Championships, and this Notice of Race (NOR), except as modified by the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2. ~~ICSA PR 32 (Immediate Penalties For Breaking RRS 42) shall be in effect.~~  
**Races shall be umpired as per RRS Appendix D2.**
- 1.3. ~~The notation [NP] in a rule means that a boat or the race committee may not protest for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1 and 60.4(b).~~  
**ICSA PR32 does not apply, see RRS Appendix D2.3. Breaches of RRS42 are an umpire initiated penalty.**
- 1.4. ~~The notation [DP] in a rule means that a boat may be given a Discretionary Penalty for breaking that rule (see RRS 64).~~

### **2. ENTRY**

- 2.1. All student-athletes shall register annually with ICSA prior to competing.
- 2.2. A college team representative shall enter completely on the Record of Participation Form the names and class years of all skippers and crews who competed, as well as the races in which they competed. A team failing to properly complete the Record of Participation Form before the expiration of protest time at the end of the regatta, shall be rescored according to PR 33(a) for fleet racing and PR 33(b) for team or match racing. (See also

PR 23, PR 24 and PR Appendix D - ICSA FORMS).

**3. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS**

Notices will be posted on the Notice Board on Techscore and the Official Notice Board inside the Sailing Pavilion.

**4. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Any changes in the sailing instructions will be posted on the Online Notice Board and Official Notice Board as well as announced orally before the first race in which they are to take effect.

**5. SCHEDULE**

**Friday, April 4, 2025**

0830 Report Time  
0900 Competitors Meeting

**Saturday, April 5, 2025**

If team racing is not concluded on Friday, we will finish on Saturday with the schedule as follows:

0930 First Warning Signal  
1500 No Starting Signal After 3 pm (CST)

**6. FORMAT**

The format will be announced at the competitor's meeting.

**7. BOATS AND EQUIPMENT**

- 7.1. Boats will be provided for all competitors, who shall not modify any boat or cause them to be modified in any way.
- 7.2. The standing rigging shall not be adjusted.
- 7.3. The penalty for infringing instructions 7.1 or 7.2 above shall be disqualification from all races sailed in contravention of these sailing instructions.
- 7.4. 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.

## **8. ROTATION OF BOATS**

- 8.1. The rotation of boats will be in accordance with the provided rotation sheet on the official notice board and on TechScore.
- 8.2. The rotation of boats will occur at the dock.

## **9. THE COURSE**

- 9.1. The courses will be the standard Digital N and will be announced orally during the competitor's meeting and posted as a course diagram on the Notice Board.
- 9.2. Rounding marks will be inflatable cylinders or spheres.
- 9.3. Any mark of the course may be moved in accordance with PR 18 (c)(i).

## **10. START/FINISH**

- 10.1. Races will be started in accordance with PR 18(b).
- 10.2. The start line will be between an orange flag on the Race Committee Boat and the course side of an inflatable mark at the port end of the line.
- 10.3. The finish line for upwind finishes (standard digital N) will be between the Race Committee Finish Boat the course side of the final windward 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 PR 18(b)(ii). The Race Committee will attempt to hail the boat(s) sail number(s). Failure to hear a hail is insufficient cause for granting redress.
- 11.2. Multiple horns/whistles and the hail of the words "General Recall" will signal a General Recall. Following a general recall, the warning for any subsequent start may be initiated at any time (Changes RRS 29.2). After a general recall, RRS 30.1 (I Flag Rule), shall apply to subsequent starts of the corresponding race and no signal need be given (changes RRS 30.1)

## **12. PROTESTS AND PENALTIES**

- 12.1. ~~Protest shall be filed in accordance with the ICSA Procedural Rules except that “Race Committee” in PR 29(b) is changed to “Race Committee Finish Boat.”~~
- 12.2. PR 30 is in effect. **Protests are covered under RRS Appendix D2.2. Also, note RRS Appendix D2.6.** ~~Protests shall be filed within 30 minutes of coming ashore after the race in which the incident occurred.~~
- 12.3. ~~Protest forms will be available at the official Notice Board in the clubhouse and shall be filed with the Race Committee that is present.~~ **Requests for redress and breakdowns shall be filed in accordance with the ICSA PR29 except that 'Race Committee' in PR29(b) is changed to 'Race Committee Finish Boat or Umpire.'**
- 12.4. ~~Any video, data and/or photographs taken from any source may only be presented by competitors as evidence at protest hearings if the competitor provides the technology to view the evidence and leaves said technology with ability to view it during deliberations. This changes RRS 63.4.~~ **Requests for redress and breakdowns will be handled as per RRS Appendix D1.2c and PR Appendix F.**
- ~~12.5. Penalties for breaking a rule of RRS Part 2 will be in accordance with RRS 44.1 and 44.2.~~

### ~~13.~~ **JUDGING**

- ~~13.1 A Coach may serve as a member of a protest committee, subject to PR 34 “CONFLICTS OF INTEREST”.~~
- ~~13.2 Rule D2 applies but is changed. D2.1(a) deletes the requirement to display flag J before the warning signal. All races will be umpired. This changes RRS D2.1(a)~~

### **14. COACHING**

- 14.1. In accordance with PR 19, Coaching shall only be from an Organizing Authority (OA) provided coach boat, or from the shores or docks of the regatta site.

### **15. SAFETY**

- 15.1 Competitors who require assistance from rescue boats should signify by waving arms overhead.
- 15.2. A boat that retires is asked to notify the Race Committee either before leaving the course area or immediately upon arriving ashore.
- 15.3. 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”~~ **as retired, see RRS**

### Appendix D3.1.

- 15.4. All coaches, competitors, and alternates must wear USCG approved Type III or Level 70, non-inflatable PFDs when afloat.
- 15.5. Team Uniforms - All student-athletes competing in ICSA regattas shall wear a uniform that complies with ICSA Procedural Rule 13(e).

## **16. MINIMUM WIND STRENGTH**

- 16.1. Races should not be started unless the Race Committee is satisfied that the wind strength in the starting area, and to the best of its belief on the rest of the course, is in excess of an average of three knots (3.45 mph) for a reasonable period of time before the start as measured using instrumentation and while not moving over the bottom or anchored.
- 16.2. If the wind speed is less than three knots (3.45 mph) in the starting area at any time during the last minute prior to the start signal, the start should be abandoned.

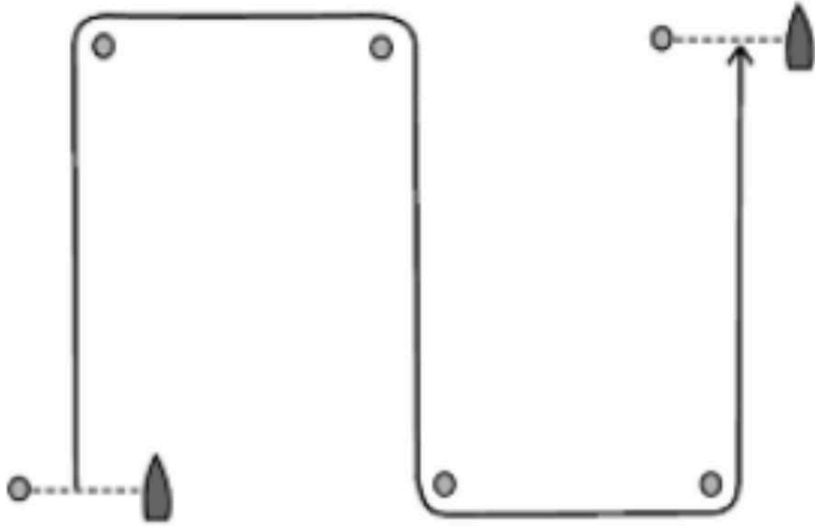
## **17. RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS**

- 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. CAMERAS, ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT, DRONES, AND U.A.V.s**

- 18.1. Boats may be required to carry cameras and/or sound equipment as specified by the OA.
- 18.2. U.A.V.s, (drones and similar aircraft) may only be flown in the racing area by FAA Part 107 certified pilot and in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations surrounding U.A.V. use and shall be approved by the Host and Organizing Authority.

Addendum 1 - Course Diagram



## Addendum 2 - RRS Appendix D2.2, D2.6

### *D2.2 Protests by Boats*

*When a boat protests under a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 or 42:*

- (a) Boats shall be given time to respond.*
- (b) An umpire may penalize any boat that broke a rule, is not exonerated, and did not take the appropriate penalty.*
- (c) An umpire shall signal a decision in compliance with rule D2.4.*

### *D2.6 Limitations on Other Proceedings*

- (a) A boat may not protest under rule D1.3(b) or D2.5.*
- (b) A decision, action or non-action of an umpire shall not be
  - (1) the basis for a request for redress or appeal by a boat, or*
  - (2) grounds for abandoning a race after it has started.**
- (c) However, the protest committee may call a hearing to consider redress when it believes that an umpire boat may have seriously interfered with a boat racing.*