



2026 Drexel Open Regatta

Corinthian Yacht Club of Philadelphia – 3rd of May, 2026

Sailing Instructions

1. RULES

The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2025-2028, the prescriptions of US SAILING, the Procedural and Class Rules for Intercollegiate Sailing Competition (PCR) (except as any of these are modified by these sailing instructions), and by these Sailing Instructions (SI).

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors, including boat rotations, will be posted on or next to the Drexel Sailing storage locker door on the east side of the Corinthian Yacht Club building.

3. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes in the sailing instructions will be announced orally by the Race Committee and, when possible, posted before the first race in which they are to take effect.

4. BOATS AND EQUIPMENT

FJ's will be provided for all competitors, who shall not modify any boat or cause them to be modified in any way, except that competitors may adjust lines and sail controls normally adjustable. The Standing Rigging shall not be adjusted.

4.1 The penalty for infringing the above instructions will be disqualification from all races sailed in contravention of these sailing instructions.

4.2 Competitors shall report any damage or loss of equipment, however slight, to the boat host team immediately after arriving ashore or to the Race Committee on the water. Breakdown points will not be awarded for the failure of knots, the loss of pins or rings.

4.3 Redress requests for breakdowns shall be written on hearing request forms and follows the procedure in SI 14

5. FORMAT

The regatta format will be a single round robin.

6. ROTATION

The rotation of boats will be in accordance with the provided rotation posted on Tech Score Regatta scores.collegesailing.org . Boat exchanges will occur at the docks at the location prescribed at the competitors' meeting.

7. SCHEDULE

SUNDAY

09:00 Report time – Rig Boats

09:30 Competitors Meeting

10:00 First Waring

15:00 No Start After

8. RACING AREA

The Racing Area will be announced at the competitors' meeting, anticipated to be the Delaware River West of Corinthian Yacht Club

9. THE COURSE

The courses will be announced orally and displayed on the RC Signal boat Course descriptions can be taken from the course diagrams on the official regatta notice board.

- 9.1 Marks - Rounding marks/gate will be orange sphere marks, pin and offset, if used, will be a white sphere.
- 9.2 In the case of a Finish to weather (W3) the finish pin will be the weather mark.

10. START/FINISH

- 10.1 The start line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Start Boat, and a white mark. An I flag may be displayed if rule 30.1 is in effect it is not a starting signal flag.
- 10.2 Races will be started in accordance with PCR 18(b)(i), Utilizing Addendum U except as noted *This replaced RRS Rules 26*
- 10.3 The finish line will either be the same as the starting line, or between a staff on the support boat and a rounding mark if a course is finished to weather to facilitate rotations
- 10.4 If (a) boat(s) are delaying the finish of a race, or the rotation, the Race Committee may end the race by scoring the boat(s) in their current position if they have been well established.

11. RECALLS

- 11.1 Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with PCR 18(b) (ii), with flag "X" displayed. The Race Committee will attempt to hail the boat(s) sail number(s); however, it is the responsibility of each boat to make a proper start. Failure to hear a hail is insufficient cause for granting redress. *Changes RRS Rule 29.1, Addendum U U3*
- 11.2 Two sounds, and the hail of the words "general recall" will signal a general recall. Code flag "First Substitute" may also be displayed PCR 18(b)(iii) *This changed RRS 29.2 and 30.1*
- 11.3 REMINDER Following any general recall, per PCR 18(b) (iii) the "I" flag one minute rule 30.1 shall also be in effect.

12. CHANGES OF COURSE AFTER THE START

Any mark of the course may be moved in accordance with PCR 18(c)(i) providing for necessary changes where a boat is not on the leg . *This changed RRS 32.2 and 33.*

13. PROTESTS

13.1 Breakdowns/Protests shall be filed in accordance with the ICSA Procedural Rules Part VI. Boats intending to file a protest shall inform the Race Committee upon finishing the race where the incident occurred.

13.2 In the event of a *Serious Collision*, Involving damage or injury The Committee Shall protest the boats involved. This does not absolve boats from notifying the RC upon finishing of an incident. If the Protest Committee finds that either or both boat(s) did not, one or both may be disqualified. (PR 26), *This Changes RRS 60.5(c)*.

14. COACHING

In accordance with PCR 19, all coaching is to be done from the dock unless the coach is assisting in race course duties, opportunities to go afloat in that capacity may be offered at the discretion of the PRO

15. SAFETY

- 15.1. A boat requesting assistance from support boats should signal by waving hands overhead.
- 15.2. A capsized boat may be righted and sailed by its crew, unless, in the sole judgment of the Race Committee, safety would be affected, in which case the crew shall accept assistance and may there after sail the course if no benefit was gained.
- 15.3. A boat may also withdraw (RET) at any time. A boat that retires shall notify the Race Committee either before leaving the course area, or immediately upon arriving ashore.
- 15.4. Starts may not be delayed to accommodate capsized boats. If a boat is still in the process of being righted/recovered with or without assistance she may be scored DNF.

16. SITE NOTES

Teams are guests at Corinthian Yacht Club of Philadelphia. Competitors are permitted to use the locker rooms under the stairs and the lawn unless otherwise directed. Please Keep all gear outside near our team locker or with you so the locker rooms remain uncluttered for outdoor events that may be occurring.