



Mendelblatt Open Team Race

CofC Sailing @ Patriots
February 28th-March 1st, 2026

RULES

- 1.1. This regatta will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing (2025-2028)
- 1.2. RRS D2.2(a) is changed to “She shall hail ‘Protest’ and conspicuously display a raised open hand at the first reasonable opportunity for each.”
- 1.3. PR 25 is changed to: RRS Appendix D shall be used for team racing regattas, deleting the red flag requirement in RRS 61.1(a). RRS D1.2(c) and D5.2 are changed by replacing the phrase “a red flag” with “a raised open hand.”
- 1.4 All results shall carry forward through all completed stages or rounds

NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices will be posted on the noticeboard on Tech Score.

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.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday:

9:00 AM Report Time

9:15 AM Skippers Meeting

Racing to Follow

Sunday:

9:00 AM Report Time

3:00 PM no starts after

FORMAT

- 5.1 The preferred format for the regatta is as follows:
 - 5.1.1 Round 1- Round Robin of all teams
 - 5.1.2 Round 2- Another Round Robin, time permitting or a final four
- 5.2. Any changes to this format will be in accordance with PR 25(f), except as changed by these SI.
 - 5.2.1. PR 25(f) is changed to: When conditions make the announced format unmanageable, the ICSCA Rep, Regatta Chairman, and Chief Umpire may alter the format to ensure an equitable determination of the winner.

BOATS & EQUIPMENT

6.1 Simmons 420s and Zim FJs

6.2 Competitors have the option of rigging the mainsheet purchase either 3:1 or 4:1.

6.3 The standing rigging shall not be adjusted.

6.4 The penalty for infringing instruction 6.1, 6.2, or 6.3 will be disqualification from all races sailed in contravention of those instructions.

6.5 Competitors shall report all damage or loss of equipment, however slight, to the PRO/dock staff or to the Race Committee Finish Boat on the water.

ROTATION

7.1 The rotation of boats will be in accordance with the online rotation, which is available on Tech Score.

MARKS

8.1 All rounding marks will be orange or white balls

COURSE

9.1 The course is a Digital N

STARTING SYSTEM

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

RECALLS

11.1. Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with PR 18(b)(ii).

11.2. A general recall will be used in accordance to PR 18(b)(iii), except that the "1 minute rule" (RRS 30.1) will not be used. (Changes PR 18(b)(iii))

PROTESTS

12.1 Protests shall be filed in accordance with the ICSA Procedural Rules.

12.2 Protests shall be filed within 20 minutes of securing boats to the shore after the race or set of races in which the incident occurred.

12.3 Protest forms will be available in the sailing center classroom.

BREAKDOWNS

13.1. When a boat suffers a breakdown in the racing area, she may request a score change 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.

SAFETY

14.1. 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.

14.2. Starts will not be delayed to accommodate capsized boats

14.3 **Shipping channel** will be considered a “Continuing Obstruction” while racing. While not racing, it is considered an exclusion zone. Penalty for not observing this will be, subject to a hearing, on first offense, loss of a race win on second offense, expulsion from the regatta.

COACHING

15.1 Coaching will either be done onshore or by coach boat

15.2 All teams will have equal access to coaching