



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1. This regatta will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing (2025-2028), including Appendix D, the Procedural Rules and Class Rules for Intercollegiate Sailing Competition, and the NEISA Rules and Regulations, except as any of these are modified by these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2. Failure to gain entrance to USCGA shall not be considered in redress/protest hearings.
- 1.3. RRS D2 will apply for all races
- 1.4. US Sailing Prescription Part 5 Section B (a) is deleted.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1. Notices will be posted to 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

4.1. Saturday, April 11

Report Time 1030
First Warning 1050
No Starting Signal After 1800

Sunday, April 12

Report Time 0930
First Warning 0950
No Starting Signal After 1500

5. FORMAT

- 5.1. The format for the regatta is as follows:
 - 5.1.1. Stage 1 – Round Robin of all 16 Teams.
 - 5.1.2. Stage 2 – Round Robin of top 4 Teams, round robin of middle 8 teams, a round robin of bottom 4 teams.
- 5.2. If, in the opinion of the PRO in consultation with the ICSA Rep, it becomes unlikely that 80 percent of Stage 1 cannot be completed, the format may be changed to the following. PR 25a is changed to allow the format written below – Permission has been granted by ICSA President on 4/8/2026:
 - 5.2.1. 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)
 - 5.2.2. 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.
 - 5.2.3. Stage 3 - a round robin of the bottom 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 3.
 - 5.2.4. Stage 4 - a round robin of the top 4 teams from stage 2
- 5.3. Any changes to this format will be in accordance with PR 25(b).

6. BOATS AND EQUIPMENT

- 6.1. FJs and 420s will be provided for all competitors, who shall not modify any boat or cause them to be modified in any way.
- 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 Host.

7. ROTATION

- 7.1. Boat Rotation will be on techscore.

8. MARKS

- 8.1. Rounding marks will be colored buoys.
- 8.2. The start line will be between a Flag staff on the RC boat and a colored buoy.
- 8.3. The finish line will be between a staff on the Finish boat and a colored buoy.

9. COURSE

- 9.1. The course will be a Digital-N.

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.
- 10.3. Flags on the Race Committee Boat will identify marks M1 and M2 for each race. No colored flags on RC boat identify marks M1 and M2 as Red Buoys. A Yellow flag flown with a Charlie flag will identify marks M1 and M2 as Yellow Buoys.
- 10.4. A boat that does not start within 3 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

11. REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 11.1. 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. BREAKDOWNS

- 12.1. 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. SCORING

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

14. SAFETY

- 14.1. Competitors who require assistance from rescue boats should so 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. At the discretion of the regatta Chairman, a race may be abandoned at any point if there is submarine traffic approaching. When a race is abandoned, competitors shall sail toward Jacobs Rock floats and the rotation area. Failure to comply with SI 14.3 will result in disqualification from the regatta. This changes RRS 76.1

15. COACHING

- 15.1. Coaches will be on land.
- 15.2. Teams or spectators may not fly a drone.