



SEISA 2017 High School Texas State Championship

Lakewood Yacht Club, 2425 NASA Parkway, Seabrook, Texas 77586

March 4-5, 2017

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES This regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of sailing 2017-2020, the Prescriptions of US SAILING, the current ISSA Procedural Rules, the SEISA District Rules, the Notice of Race, and the Sailing Instructions.

2 FORMAT Format will be A/B divisions, which may be sailed together but scored separately.

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the Seahorse Lounge.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole located at the Opti Launch Ramp. If a postponement is signaled ashore, the warning signal will be made not less than 30 min. after flag AP is lowered. This changes Race Signals AP.

5 SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 4, 2017:

Check-in is from 0900 to 0930. Boat Assignments will be given at Check-in. A competitors' meeting will be held at 1000 in or outside the Seahorse Lounge. The warning signal for the first race will be at 1045. Subsequent races throughout the day will be held as soon as possible after the end of the previous race, with a break for lunch*. ***After racing a Meet & Greet with Conner Blouin, Assistant Sailing Team Coach from St. Mary's College of Maryland.***

Sunday, March 5, 2017:

0900 Report Time/Rigging, 1000 First warning. Racing throughout the day. No race will be started after 1500. Awards immediately following.

***Lunch will NOT be provided. All competitors and coaches shall provide their own lunches and their own refillable water bottle.**

6 RACING AREA/COACHING The race area will be on Clear Lake immediately outside of the Lakewood Yacht Club break walls. Competitors may receive coaching, including instruction, assistance, equipment or sustenance, only while on shore or location on the water to be designated at the Competitors' Meeting. Spectators are permitted to go on the water, but must remain outside the course and start area. All personnel are encouraged and expected to render assistance to any boat in need, regardless of Team.

7 COURSES The course[s] will be in accordance with ISSA Procedural Rules, with W-L courses preferred, approx. 15 – 20 minutes in length. Marks will be described at the competitor's meeting. In accordance with ISSA PR 7.7(c) after the starting signal, the race committee may change the position of any mark to maintain course configuration, provided that no boat is on that leg of the course. No signals are required (changes RRS 33).

8 SHORTENING AND ABANDONING RACES In accordance with ISSA PR 7.7(d) races will **not** be shortened. They will be abandoned. No signals are required. A race may be abandoned at any time at the discretion of the race committee.

9 STARTING AND FINISHING LINES - STARTING SYSTEM The starting and finishing lines will be between a red/orange ball and a flag on the committee boat. ***The Sound Signal Starting System in Appendix S of the racing rules will be used.*** Races will start in accordance with ISSA PR 7.8(a). Individual recalls will be made in accordance with RRS Appendix S6. General recalls will be signaled by a series of short whistles. After a general recall, the round the ends provision of RRS 30.1 shall apply except Flag I need not be displayed in accordance with ISSA PR 7.8(b) (Changes RRS 30.1). rule 28.1.

10 PROTESTS shall be filed in accordance with ISSA PR Part VI within 30 minutes after the race committee finish boat docks. Per Procedural Rule 8(b), competitors shall not communicate with a coach before reporting to the race committee immediately after finishing their intent to protest. Breakdown requests shall be filed in the same manner as protests.

11 SCORING will use ISSA Procedural Rules. There will be no throw outs. Protest procedures will be per ISSA Procedural Rules.

12 SAFETY Per Procedural Rule 2.2, competitors shall wear USCG approved wearable lifejackets, in good repair. (**Responsible Adult** – Please see ISSA PR) Each high school team must have a designated adult chaperone to accompany competing sailors, who may be an advisor, coach or parent. The chaperone should listed on the Team Entry Form, remain onsite at all times during racing/sailing and should be versed in the school's policies and requirements regarding concussions, and medical emergencies as well as RRS 4 (Decisions to Race).

13 PRIZES - The top Team in the Championship Division will be recognized as the 2017 SEISA Texas State HS Sailing Champion.

14 WAIVER OF LIABILITY Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

15 RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the Organizing Authority 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.