

**NOTICE OF RACE**  
**Okaloosa County Fall Regatta**  
**for the**  
**Fall 420 CHAMPIONSHIP**  
**November 6, 2016**  
**Fort Walton Yacht Club**  
**Ft. Walton Beach, Fl.**

**1. RULES**

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2013-2016 edition of The Racing Rules of Sailing and the Interscholastic Sailing Association of North America (ISSA) Procedural Rules, the SEISA District Rules, this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions. In the event of a conflict between the governing documents and the Sailing Instructions, the latter shall take precedence.

1.2 The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Emerald Coast Sailing Association.

**2. SAFETY**

2.1 All competitors must wear USCG approved Type III or V non-inflatable lifejacket at all times while on the water, except to quickly change clothing.

**3. ELIGIBILITY**

3.1 Competing schools must be members in ISSA and meet ISSA eligibility rules as prescribed in the Procedural Rules. All sailors must belong to the same school

3.2 No student below the level of 9th grade shall be eligible to compete.

3.3 Competitors must be accompanied by a designated adult team leader--chaperone, who may be an advisor, coach or a parent.

**4. ENTRY FEE**

4.1 The entry fee is \$10 per team. All entries must be received by 1000 on Sunday, November 6st, 2016. Lunch ( Pizza ) will be provided for all competitors, Team leaders, coaches and parents.

**5. BOATS**

5.1 This is BYOB for out of town teams. This an A/B competition though you may enter only one boat if desired. One boat teams will race in A division. You must agree to let your boats be used in rotation with other boats/teams.

**6. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

**Sunday, November 6**

0900 Check in and Rigging of Boats.

1000 Competitors Meeting (Mandatory) Boats rigged & Ready

ASAP First Warning. Racing will continue throughout the day with a break for lunch .

15:30 No race will start after this time.

**7. STARTS:**

7.1 Both A & B divisions will start together but scored separately. Attempts at "team racing" will be subject to disqualification. The purpose of this paragraph is to gain experience with bigger fleet starts.

**8. SUBSTITUTIONS**

8.1 HS Procedural Rules Par 4.2 are changed such that unlimited substitution for either skipper or crew is allowed however, individuals may NOT switch divisions. ( A/B )

**9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Sailing instructions will be available during check-in on Sunday.

**10. RACING AREA**

All races will be sailed on Cinco Bayou adjacent to the FWYC beach.

The location of the signal boat will be announced at the Competitor's Meeting.

**11. SCORING**

9.1 The Low Point Scoring System, RRS Appendix A will apply as modified by ISSA Procedural Rule 9, except that no score will be excluded. After all competitors have been scored, Okaloosa teams will be rescored to determine Okaloosa County winner

9.2 Twelve races are scheduled; three races must be completed to constitute a regatta.

**12. COURSES**

Based on conditions, the Race Committee will determine the courses at the Competitors meeting.

**13. COACHING**

Coaches, and advisors may go afloat in the sailing area unless explicitly prohibited to do so by the regatta chairperson. All coaching, including instruction, assistance, equipment and sustenance shall be provided only during rotation cycles. Coaching shall NOT delay the start of the next race.

**14. PRIZES**

The winning team from Okaloosa county's name shall be placed on the Purcell Cup and they will keep the banner until the Spring Regatta.

**15. IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL CONTESTANTS:**

No contestant shall use, either on or off the water, alcoholic beverages (beer, wine, or distilled spirits, each as defined in Chapter 51 of the US Internal Revenue Code and intended for beverage use), or marijuana, cocaine, or any other controlled substance (as defined in 21 US Code 802), the possession of which, by that contestant is unlawful under 21 US Code 841. Infringements of this regulation and/or other discipline expectations occurring during **November 1<sup>st</sup>**. may be the basis for a hearing under RRS 69.1 The protest committee for such a hearing shall be the regatta chairperson, a neutral observer, and the protest committee chairperson. This protest committee shall, at a time and place selected by them, meet to hear said protest, and their decision to impose scoring penalties, or other sanctions they alone deem appropriate, including summary removal from the regatta, shall be final, without appeal.

**146. REGATTA CONTACTS**

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