



Notice of Race (Revised)

SEISA Texas High School Championship

Hosted by Bay Access at Lakewood Yacht Club

2425 NASA Parkway

Seabrook, Texas 77586

March 4 and 5, 2017

1. Rules

- 1.1. The 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, this Notice of Race, and the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2. The Organizing Authority (OA) is Bay Access in conjunction with SEISA.

2. Event

- 2.1. This regatta will be an A/B division high school/collegiate format.
- 2.2. This regatta will have 2 fleets, sailed and scored together.
 - 2.2.1. The Championship Fleet will include only SEISA registered high school teams.
 - 2.2.2. The Open Fleet will include all Teams. (Including the Championship fleet.)
 - 2.2.3. Only teams in the Championship Fleet may win the Texas HS Championship Title & Trophy.
- 2.3. In the event fewer than 10 full Teams register, the regatta format may be changed to Single Division format at the discretion of the OA and will be announced at the Competitor's Meeting.

3. Eligibility

- 3.1. All schools in the Championship Fleet shall be current members in good standing with ISSA and SEISA. This is a SEISA Level 2 event, which includes eighth grade students associated with a high school team.
- 3.2. The OPEN Fleet is a SEISA Level 3 event open to all 7th through 12th grade students, as well as college teams from College Teams.
 - 3.2.1. All College Teams must be part of ICSA and register as a school team.
 - 3.2.2. Each College Team must follow all safety rules within the ICSA organization.
- 3.3. A Team is comprised of no fewer than four sailors; 2 in A division and 2 in B division.
 - 3.3.1.
- 3.4. **Responsible Adult – Please see ISSA PR 1.3.** 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 be 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).**

4. Entry and Communication

- 4.1. Each individual sailor must register & pay through Regatta Network. **Entry deadline has been extended to 0930 March 4, 2017.** Registration link: https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_registration_form.php?regatta_id=14059
- 4.2. Additionally, Team Entry Form & liability release forms executed by their parents or legal guardians will be required of all high school sailors at or before site check-in on **March 4, 2017.** College Sailors may execute their own forms. **Forms Link:** http://hssailing.org/schedule_news/docs/seisa_docs/TEAM - Entry Form - HS TX State Champs 2017.pdf
- 4.3. Late registrations or incomplete entries as of the Registration Deadline may be permitted at the discretion of the Regatta Chairman.
- 4.4. A maximum of 18 teams may register.
- 4.5. Priority given to SEISA Registered Teams,
- 4.6. Multiple Teams from a single high school/college are allowed.

5. Entry Fee and Damage Deposit

- 5.1. There will be an entry fee of \$27.00 per sailor.
- 5.2. A damage deposit of \$200.00 per Team must be made by check during check in. (No cash). Checks should be made payable to **Bay Access.**

6. Schedule

- 6.1. Saturday, March 4, 2017
0900-0930 Check in/Rigging (Seahorse Lounge)
1000 Mandatory Competitors Meeting
1045 First warning. Racing throughout the day. Lunch during rotations.
After racing Meet & Greet (and possible Cook-out) with Conner Blouin, Assistant Sailing Team Coach from St. Mary's College of Maryland.
- 6.2. Sunday, March 5, 2017
0900 Report Time/Rigging
1000 First warning. Racing throughout the day.
1500 No race will be started after 1500.

7. Sailing Instructions

- 7.1. Sailing Instructions will be available online by 1700 on Friday March 3rd at seisa.hssailing.org/schedule/2016/2017/seisa-s.
- 7.2. Changes to Sailing Instructions or other official notices will be made on the Official Notice Board, located on the whiteboard on the deck of the Seahorse Lounge.

8. Boats

- 8.1. The regatta will be sailed in FJ's provided by Bay Access.
- 8.2. Standing Rigging may not be adjusted by sailors - this includes shrouds, forestays and luff wires on jibs. Competitors may tape any area of the boat. Mainsheets may be used 4:1 or 3:1.
- 8.3. Intentionally changing boat settings or otherwise "sabotaging" boats to impede competitors during rotations is prohibited, and may result in disqualification.

9. Race Area

- 9.1. The race area will be on Clear Lake immediately outside of the Lakewood Yacht Club break walls. Rotation area will be announced by the PRO at the Mandatory Competitors Meeting.
- 9.2. Teams will rotate boats per the rotation schedule distributed at the competitor's meeting.

10. Safety

- 10.1. US Coast Guard approved "Wearable" life jackets, in good repair and properly secured,, must be worn while on boats at all times except for a brief period of time in order to add or remove clothing.
- 10.2. Except for team pinnies, life jackets shall be worn outside of all clothing. Pinnies are encouraged, but not required at this event.

11. Courses

- 11.1. The Race Committee will determine courses in accordance with ISSA Procedural Rules. (see PR 7.7)

12. Scoring

- 12.1. The regatta will be scored using ISSA Procedural Rules. There will be no throw outs. Protest procedures will be per ISSA Procedural Rules.
- 12.2. 2 or more rotations are scheduled. 3 races minimum per division in order to constitute a regatta.

13. Housing

- 13.1. Housing is not provided. However, please contact the Regatta Chair if in need of assistance.

14. Food and Beverages

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

15. Coaching

- 15.1. A competitor may receive coaching, assistance, equipment or sustenance only while on shore or on dock. When boats do not return to the dock after each race, the PRO of the Event may designate an area where all of the above may take place, provided at least one coach from each Team has equal access to the area, which may be a boat or float.
- 15.2. 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.

Prizes

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

16. Official Notice

16.1. No competitor shall use, either on or off the water, marijuana or any other controlled substance (as defined in 21 U.S. Code 802) the possession of which is unlawful under 21 U.S. Code 841, or alcoholic beverages (distilled spirits, wine and beer, each as defined in chapter 51 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code and intended for beverage use). An alleged breach of this procedural rule shall not be grounds for a protest. However, when a report is received from any source alleging such a breach, a protest committee consisting of the regatta chairperson, a member of the ISSA Board of Directors and the chairperson of the protest committee shall follow the process described in RRS 69.1. If a hearing under RRS 69.1 is held, a competitor found to have breached this procedural rule shall be excluded from the remaining races of the series and, where practicable, removed from the regatta venue and sent home. Additional penalties consistent with RRS 69.1(b) may be imposed on the competitor or the competitor's team.

17. Rights to Use Name and Likeness:

17.1. 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.

18. Contacts:

PRO: Steve Willits

Regatta Chair: Leigh Zittler All written communications shall be made to the Regatta Chair at:

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