

# **SCHOLASTIC DINGHY CLASS RULES**

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## **1. GENERAL**

1.1. The objective of the Scholastic Dinghy Class Rules (CR) is to provide competitive racing for interscholastic competition.

1.2. The Scholastic Dinghy is a one-design class dinghy for the purposes of interscholastic sailing competition.

1.3. The “regatta organization”, as used in these rules, can be the organizing authority, regatta host or race committee.

1.4. Except where these rules specifically prohibit variations, boats may be altered at the discretion of the regatta organization.

1.5. The Scholastic Dinghy shall be raced only with hull, equipment, fittings, spars, standard rigging, sails and running rigging as approved by the regatta organization.

## **2. ADMINISTRATION**

2.1. The official language of the class is English. In the event of a dispute over interpretation the English text shall prevail.

2.2. The word “shall” is mandatory and the word “may” is permissive.

## **3. CLASS RULE CHANGES**

3.1. Amendments to these Scholastic Dinghy Class Rules are subject to the approval of the Scholastic Dinghy Class.

3.2. These class rules may be changed in the sailing instructions only with the prior approval of the President of the Scholastic Dinghy Class.

## **4. BUILDERS**

4.1. A Scholastic Class Dinghy may be built by any professional or amateur builder.

## **5. MEASUREMENT**

5.1. All boats racing in a regatta shall be approved for competition prior to the first race of the regatta, by the regatta organization.

5.2. The regatta organization shall attempt to ensure that boats to be sailed together in a regatta are equal in performance.

5.3. Measurement approval may be in writing or given verbally at a scheduled competitor's meeting.

5.4. In the event a substitute boat is used, after the regatta has begun, it shall be approved by the regatta organization prior to use.

## 6. MEASUREMENT RULES

### 6.1. HULL

6.1.1. Length overall of the hull shall not be greater than 19 feet (5791 mm).

6.1.2. Other hull dimensions are not controlled except that all boats must receive approval prior to competition under CR 5.

### 6.2. SPARS

6.2.1. Spar dimensions are not controlled except that all boats must receive approval prior to competition under CR 5.

### 6.3. CENTERBOARD AND RUDDER

6.3.1. Centerboard (or Daggerboard) and Rudder dimensions are not controlled except that all boats must receive approval prior to competition under CR 5.

### 6.4. SAILS

6.4.1. Sail dimensions are not controlled except that all boats must receive approval prior to competition under CR 5.

### 6.5. RIGGING

6.5.1. Standing rigging of the boats shall not be altered without written permission from the ISSA President.

6.5.2. Regatta organization may specify the rigging and purchase ratio of any running rigging.

## 7. CONDITIONS FOR RACING

### 7.1. CREW

7.1.1. The boat's crew shall normally consist of one or two persons. The regatta organization may designate a different number of crew prior to competition.

### 7.2. PERSONAL EQUIPMENT

7.2.1. Unless otherwise specified in the sailing instructions, only signal flags, tape, tell tales, bailers, fastening devices, knife, pliers, screwdriver, nutrition, timing devices (electronic devices with GPS or communication functionality are not allowed), and drinking water may be carried while racing.

### 7.3. SAFETY

7.3.1. Personal Flotation Devices (PFD) – Inherently buoyant personal flotation devices (USCG Certified Non-Inflatable Type III or Type V) shall be worn by all student-athletes while on the water. PFDs shall be worn outside all clothing and foul weather gear, except that a thin shirt or team uniform (See ISSA PR 2.4) may be worn over the PFD. PFDs are not required when ashore or on objects attached to shore.

### 7.4. MEANS OF PROPULSION, RRS 42.

7.4.1. During and immediately after tacking or gybing, a boat's crew may move their bodies to roll the boat, provided that the boat's mast does not move aggressively away from the vertical more than once (Replaces RRS 42.3(b)).