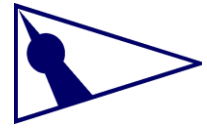




MASSA Silver Fleet Race Championships
 MASSA is the Organizing Authority
 Hosted by
 Annapolis Yacht Club & Severn Sailing Association
October 21st and 22nd, 2017
NOTICE OF RACE



1 **RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The 2017-2020 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the 2017-2020 ISSA Procedural Rules, this notice of race and the sailing instructions. In an event of a conflict between governing documents and the sailing instructions, the sailing instructions shall take precedence. The organizing authority will be MASSA.
- 1.2 RRS Appendix P regarding Rule 42 will apply as changed by ISSA PR 14c.

2 **ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 2.1 Competing schools must be members of ISSA and meet ISSA eligibility rules as prescribed in the ISSA 2017-2020 Procedural Rules.
- 2.2 Teams must be accompanied by a designated adult team leader, who may be an advisor, coach or parent recognized by the school as per ISSA PR1.3.
- 2.3 There will be 18 berths, which will be divided and allocated to each MASSA league based upon the number of active teams in each league and determined by the District Director
- 2.4 Teams must indicate their intention to compete by signing up for the event through the google document provided by MDISA Coordinator/ Organizers
- 2.5 Entry will be limited to 18 teams.
- 2.6 Sailors shall wear a pinnie identifying and representing their school as per ISSA PR 2.5.

3 **REGISTRATION AND FEES**

- 3.1 Registration via google document – [Registration Link here](#)
- 3.2 There will be no registration fee

4 **FORMAT**

- 4.1 Two divisions will be utilized in a single round robin format.
- 4.2 If the above format is not possible within the allotted time, the Regatta Chair will announce the best course of action.

5 **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

Saturday October 21st

Report time at SSA	1000
Competitors' Meeting at SSA	1030
First Warning	1100
No Warning After	1700

Sunday October 22nd

Rig and launch	1030
First Warning	1100
No Warning Signal After	1600
Awards at SSA	Immediately after all equipment is stored

6 BOATS & EQUIPMENT

- 6.1 AYC 420s will be provided for all competitors, who shall not modify any boat or cause them to be modified in any way. Jib halyards tails shall remain rigged behind the spreaders.
- 6.2 The penalty for infringing upon 6.1 will be disqualification from all races sailed in contravention of those instructions.
- 6.3 Competitors shall report all damage or loss of equipment, however slight, to the dock/boat committee immediately after arriving on shore and to the Race Committee Finish Boat on the water immediately after all boats in that race have finished.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1 Sailing instructions will be posted online in the NOTICE BOARD for the regatta on Tech Score. A copy will also be posted on the Official Notice Board on site at SSA.

8 RACING AREA

- 8.1 The racing area will be the mouth of Spa Creek as close as possible to the Severn Sailing Association (SSA). Rotations will take place in the center basin at SSA.

9 COURSES

- 9.1 Standard W4 course, with a windward offset and leeward gate above the start finish line, will be utilized unless conditions require, or the race committee see fit to alter. A W3 (or W5) course may be used to facilitate rotations by finishing near the rotation site.

10 ROTATIONS & SCORING

- 10.1 Rotations and regatta scores will be posted online in Tech Score.
- 10.2 Teams must compete the online RP forms in Tech Score before 5pm Monday October 23rd. Failure to comply will result in a *20 point per division penalty. This modifies the deadline time in ISSA PR 4.3(a).*

11 SAFETY

- 11.1 Competitors shall wear USCG approved Type III Personal Flotation Devices (PFDs). Inflatable type PFDs are not permitted.
- 11.2 The race committee may require the use of drysuits or full-length wetsuits. This may be announced at the daily competitors' meeting, and need not be signaled.
- 11.3 Failure to comply with 11.1 and/or 11.2 will be grounds for disqualification from all races sailed in contravention of those instructions.
- 11.4 Competitors shall supply the equipment to meet the requirements of 11.1 and 11.2.
- 11.5 At its discretion, the Race Committee or Organizing Authority may require a competitor to retire from racing if the competitor is determined to be a risk to their own or others' safety.

12 COACHING

- 12.1 Will be in accordance with PR 8.
- 12.2 Coaches, team leaders, chaperones, advisors, parents, or other support personnel shall not go afloat in the sailing area on the published dates of the regatta, unless explicitly permitted by the regatta chairperson. The penalty for failing to comply with this requirement may be the disqualification of all boats, competitors, and teams associated with the infringing personnel.
- 12.3 Coaches, team leaders, chaperones, advisors, parents, or other support personnel may go afloat in the sailing area while serving as an umpire or assisting with race management.
- 12.4 Competitors may receive coaching, including instruction, assistance, equipment, or sustenance, only on the water near the docks or while ashore.

13 PRIZES
Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd.

14 ANNOUNCEMENT
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 May 13 and 14, 2017 may be the basis for a hearing under RRS 69.1. The protest committee for such a hearing shall be the regatta chairperson, a member of the ISSA BOD, and the protest committee chairperson. This protest committee shall, at a time and place selected by them, meet to hear said protest, and at their decision to impose scoring penalties, or other sanctions they alone deem appropriate, including summary removal from the regatta, shall be final, without appeal.

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.

16 WAIVER OF LIABILITY
Sailing is an activity that has inherent risks 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 clubs, 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 the event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in the event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

17 TRAVEL AND HOUSING
It is the responsibility of each team to provide transport and lodging during the event. Assistance in obtaining such may be available through the contacts below.

The preferred airport for those teams flying in will be Baltimore Washington International (BWI). Accommodation information can be found at <http://www.visitannapolis.org/>. Further travel questions can be answered by contacting Mark Bennett, MDISA coordinator.

18 CONTACTS

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