

# **Gulf Coast High School Sailing Championship & Mississippi High School Sailing Championship**

**Hosted by: Gulfport Yacht Club**

**November 10th-11th, 2018**

## **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

### **1. RULES:**

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of US SAILING, ISSA Procedural Rules, SEISA District Rules, the Notice of Race, and these Sailing Instructions. In the event of a conflict between the governing documents, the latter shall take precedence.
- 1.1. The Organizing Authority (OA) is the ISSA, SEISA and Gulfport Yacht Club.
- 1.2. RRS appendix P is in effect modified per ISSA Procedural Rule 14(c).

### **2. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS:**

Official notices including changes to sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board located on the lower deck. Changes to the sailing instructions may be made on the water.

### **3. SCHEDULE:**

- 3.1. 11:00am first start on Saturday. 10:00am start on Sunday.
- 3.2. No race will start after 2pm on Sunday, except for a sail-off if needed.
- 3.3. The race committee will attempt to complete two full rotations, Rotation schedules and boat assignments will be distributed after the skipper's meeting.

### **4. COURSES AND MARKS:**

- 4.1. Courses will be triangles once around with a mid-course start/finish line. See SI 16.
- 4.2. The race committee may change & designate course selection orally.
- 4.3. All rounding marks will be orange tetrahedrons. The start finish mark will be an orange ball.
- 4.4. 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.

### **5. 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, in consultation with the protest committee if possible.

### **6. START, FINISH, AND RECALLS:**

- 6.1. Races will start in accordance with ISSA PR 7.8(a).
- 6.2. Individual recalls will be made in accordance with RRS Appendix U4.

- 6.3. 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).
- 6.4. The start/finish line will be between the signal boat and the orange tetrahedron.

**7. BREAKDOWNS:**

- 7.1. Breakdown requests shall be filed in the same manner as protests.
- 7.2. Breakdowns shall be scored in accordance with ISSA PR 9(e). Compensation shall be consistent with ISSA PR Appendix 3.

**8. PROTESTS:**

- 8.1. Protests procedure will be in accordance with ISSA PR Part VI.
- 8.2. Competitors shall not communicate with a coach before reporting to the race committee their intent to protest.

**9. SCORING:**

Scoring will be in accordance with ISSA PR 9.

**10. COACHING:**

Competitors may receive coaching, including instruction, assistance, equipment or sustenance, only while on shore or around the floating dock after they have swapped boats.

**11. SAFETY:**

- 11.1. Competitors shall wear USCG approved Type III lifejackets. Inflatable type lifejackets and buoyancy aids are not permitted.
- 11.2. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee either before leaving the course, or if that is impossible, immediately after arriving ashore.

**12. FORMAT:**

The format will be a double round robin.

**13. TROPHIES:**

- 13.1. 1st, 2nd, 3rd Overall in each class will be awarded.
- 13.2. For the Mississippi Championship: 1st, 2nd, and 3rd will be awarded to top placing Mississippi schools for their combined scores from all three classes. The 1st place team will also win the 2018 Mississippi High School Sailing Championship & Perpetual Trophy (The Rock).
- 13.3. For the Gulf Coast Championship: 1st, 2nd, 3rd will be awarded to the top placing schools for their combined scores from all three classes. The 1st place team will also win the 2018 Gulf Coast High School Sailing Championship.

**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.

**16. COURSE DIAGRAM:**

