

# Mississippi State High School Fleet Racing Championship Regatta

# **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

## Bay Waveland Yacht Club March 16-17, 2024

## 1. RULES:

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 (RRS), the prescriptions of US SAILING, ISSA Procedural Rules, SEISA Supplemental 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 SEISA, BWYC, and St. Stanislaus College (SSC).
- 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:

Saturday, March 16, 2024 Fleet Racing		Sunday, March 17, 2024 Team Racing		
Registration	0830-0900			
Competitor's Meeting	1000	Competitor's Meeting	1000	
First Signal	1100	First Signal	1100	
Trophy Presentation EACH DAY as soon as possible after the conclusion of racing.				

## 4. COURSES AND MARKS:

- 4.1. The course for fleet racing will be course LA2 (See ISSA PR 7.8 and example course card on ISSA PR page 17. See SI 16.
- 4.2. The race committee may change & designate course selection orally.
- 4.3. All rounding marks will be orange tetrahedrons or orange balls. 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 7.8(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..

## 6. START, FINISH, AND RECALLS:

- 6.1. Races will start in accordance with ISSA PR 7.9.
- 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 an orange ball.

## 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 in a designated coach area 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 will be awarded.
- 13.2. For the Mississippi Championship: 1st, 2nd, and 3rd will be awarded to top placing Mississippi schools. The 1st place team will also win the 2023 Mississippi High School Sailing Championship & Perpetual Trophy (The Rock).

## 14. WAIVER OF LIABILITY:

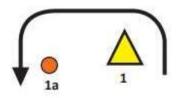
Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race.

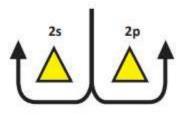
The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. 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:









# Mississippi State High School <u>Team Racing</u> Championship Regatta

# **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

## Bay Waveland Yacht Club March 16-17, 2024

## 1. RULES:

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 (RRS) as changed by Appendix D (Team Racing Rules), Prescriptions of U.S. Sailing, ISSA Procedural Rules, SEISA Supplemental Rules, this NOR, and these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 RRS D2.6 Limited Umpiring and RRS D2.2 "single flag procedure" shall apply. Flags will be provided.
- 1.3 RRS Appendix P is in effect modified per ISSA Procedural Rule 14(c).
- 1.4 The organizing authority (OA) is SEISA, BWYC, and St. Stanislaus College (SSC).
- 1.5 The Race Committee reserves the right to modify these sailing instructions verbally or in writing, on land or water, as they deem necessary.

## 2. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS:

2.1 Official notices including changes to the SI will be posted on the official notice board located upstairs in the lounge. Changes to the schedule shall be posted no later than one half hour prior to the first warning signal on the day it will take effect. Other changes will be posted as soon as practicable.

## 3. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE:

3.1 When Race Signal AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 30 minutes." This changes Race Signal AP.

## 4. SCHEDULE:

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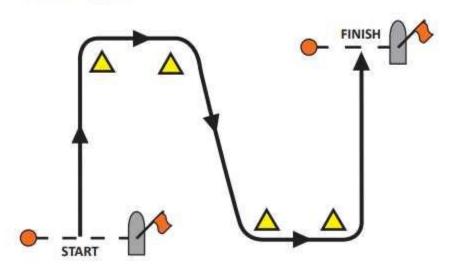
- 4.1 The number of races each day will be at the discretion of the principal race officer.
- 4.2 Two rotations are scheduled. One completed rotation shall constitute a regatta.
- 4.3 Rotation schedules and boat assignments will be distributed at the competitor's meeting.

### 5. COURSES AND MARKS:

- 5.1 The course will be the digital "N" in accordance with ISSA Procedural Rules Appendix 6.
- 5.2 All marks will be orange balls.

- 5.3 In accordance with ISSA Procedural Rule 7.8(c) 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 (changes RRS 33).
- 5.4 The course is diagrammed below.

## DIGITAL "N" COURSE



## 6. SHORTENING AND ABANDONING RACES:

6.1 In accordance with ISSA Procedural Rule 7.8(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.

## 7. START, FINISH, AND RECALLS:

- 7.1 Races will start in accordance with ISSA Procedural Rule 7.9(a).
- 7.2 The initial order of starts will be announced at the competitor's meeting.
- 7.3 Individual recalls will be made in accordance with RRS Appendix U4.
- 7.4 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 Procedural Rule 7.9 (c) (Changes RRS 30.1).
- 7.5 The starting line will be between the staff from which an orange flag is displayed on the race committee signal boat and the course side of the starting mark.
- 7.6 Boats whose warning signal has not been made are asked to stay clear of the starting area during the starting sequence for other boats.

## 8. BREAKDOWNS:

- 8.1 Breakdown requests shall be filed in the same manner as protests. This changes RRS D5.2.
- 8.2 Breakdowns shall be scored in accordance with ISSA Procedural Rule 12.2. Compensation shall be consistent with ISSA Procedural Rule Appendix 3.

## 9. PROTESTS:

- 9.1 RRS D2.2 Single Flag Procedure and D2.6 Limited Umpiring shall apply.
- 9.2 If a boat is entitled to a hearing per RRS D2.6, protest procedures will be in accordance with RRS D1.2(e). It will be the intention of the umpires to hear any protests on the water immediately after the race is finished.
- 9.3 Per Procedural Rule 8(b), competitors shall not communicate with a coach before reporting to the race committee their intent to protest.
- 9.4 The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the last boat finishes in the round in which the incident occurred, or 30 minutes after the Race Committee docks, if it is the last race of the day.

## 10. SCORING:

10.1. Scoring will be in accordance with RRS Appendix D as modified by ISSA Procedural Rule 12 and the NOR.

## 11. COACHING:

- 11.1. Support and coach boats are explicitly permitted. All personnel are encouraged and expected to render assistance to any boat in need, regardless of team. This is a specific exception to ISSA PR 8(a).
- 11.2. Coaching may only take place between races ashore, or in an area designated by the PRO. During races, unless rendering assistance, coach boats should stay well-clear of boats racing.

## 12. SAFETY:

- 12.1. Per ISSA Procedural Rule 2.2, competitors shall wear USCG approved "wearable" lifejackets. Inflatable type lifejackets are not permitted.
- 12.2. 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.

#### 13. ROTATIONS:

13.1 Teams will rotate boats. Specific instructions about rotations will be given at the Competitors Meeting.

#### 14. TROPHIES:

14.1. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place trophies will be awarded to the top-placing teams overall. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place trophies will be awarded to the top-placing Mississippi teams. The top placing Mississippi team will be designated as the Mississippi State Champion.

## 15. WAIVER OF LIABILITY:

- 15.1. 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.
- 15.2. 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.

### 16. RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS:

16.1. 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.

## 17. OFFICIAL NOTICE

17.1. No contestant 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 U.S. Code 841, or alcoholic beverages (distilled spirits, wine, and beer, each as defined in Chapter 51of 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(b). If a hearing under RRS 69 is held, a competitor found to have breached this procedural rule shall be excluded from the remaining races of the series and, where practical, be removed from the regatta venues and sent home. Additional penalties consistent with RRS 69.2 may be imposed on the competitor or the competitor's team. This regulation is in effect during the entire event from the date and time of arrival through the date and time of departure from the regatta site.