





# **SEISA West**

# Fall Fling Regatta and Qualifier for Great Oaks Regatta

Hosted by: Bay Access at Lakewood Yacht Club 2322 Lakewood Yacht Club Dr. Seabrook, Texas 77586 October 2 and 3, 2021

## NOTICE OF RACE

## 1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of sailing 2017-2020, the Prescriptions of US SAILING, the ISSA Procedural Rules, the SEISA District & West League Rules, this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions
- 1.2 The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Bay Access and the Clear Falls High School Sailing Team, 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 (as defined in 3.3 hereof).
  - 2.2.1 The Open Fleet will include all Teams (including the Championship Fleet)
- 2.3 In the event fewer than 5 Teams register, the regatta format may be changed to single division format at the discretion of the OA and will be announced no later than at the Competitor's Meeting.
- 2.5 The A Championship Fleet division will also serve as the Great Oaks Qualifier for the western portion of the SEISA district to be held at Southern Yacht Club in New Orleans, LA on November 20-21, 2021.
- 2.5 The top finishing schools in the Championship Fleet in the A division (or if the regatta format is changed to single division, the top finishing schools in the Championship Fleet) will qualify to participate in the 2021 Great Oaks Regatta in accordance with the number of berths awarded to SEISA West teams in the NOR for the Great Oaks Regatta.

### 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 is limited to students in grades 8-12 associated with a high school team.
- 3.2 The Fleet is a SEISA Level 3 event open to all 8th through 12th grade students.
- 3.3 The A "Team" is a group of 4 or more sailors, as grouped / organized by its high school, or as grouped by the Organizer for Open Fleet teams (e.g. 2 sailing A division and 2 sailing B division).
- 3.4 Teams in with less than four sailors will be paired with other such teams in order to form complete Teams.
- 3.5 A single high school may attend with more than one Team.
- 3.6 Responsible Adult Please see ISSA PR 1.3. Each high school sending one or more Teams 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).

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## 4. ENTRY

- 4.1 Eligible schools must enter by fully completing a registration form by midnight on Thursday, September 30, 2021.
- 4.2 Additionally, liability release forms and COVID-19 release forms executed by their parents or legal guardians will be required of <u>all sailors</u> at or before site check-in on **October 2, 2021**.
- 4.3 Registration forms, liability release forms, and COVID forms can be found on-line at the SEISA site and can be emailed to **sherri\_lynn\_anderson@yahoo.com**.
- 4.4 Entry fee \$25.00 per sailor. Please bring cash or check **payable to Bay Access** on or before **October 2**, **2021**.
- 4.5 Damage Deposit \$100/per person, by check, due at check in, payable to Bay Access The deposit check will be destroyed or returned to you assuming no damage to the boats occurs during the event. If damage occurs to a boat(s) and cannot be attributed to a team, an equal portion will be taken from all deposits, with the remainder refunded.

## 5. SCHEDULE

Saturday, October 2, 2021

0830-0930 Check in/Rigging

0930 Mandatory Competitors Meeting

1030 First warning. Racing throughout the day. Lunch (bring your own lunch and snacks) during rotations

Sunday, October 3, 2021

0800 Report Time

0900 First warning. Racing throughout the morning.

1500 No Race to be started after 1500.

## 6.1 BOATS/ROTATIONS

- 6.1 Boats are FJs, provided by Bay Access
- 6.2 Rotations & location will be announced at the competitor's Meeting.
- 6.3 Standing Rigging may not be adjusted by sailors. Mainsheets may be used 4:1 or 3:1.
- 6.4 Intentionally changing boat settings or otherwise "sabotaging" boats to impede competitors during rotations is prohibited, and may result in disqualification.

## 7. RACE AREA

7.1 The race area will be on Clear Lake immediately outside of the bulkhead at Lakewood Yacht Club.

### 8. SAFETY

- 8.1 US Coast Guard approved type III or IV life jackets must be worn while on boats at all times except for a brief period of time in order to add or remove clothing.
- 8.2 Except for team pinnies, life jackets shall be worn outside of all clothing. Pinnies are encouraged, but not required at this event.
- 8.3 Then current CDC Guidelines for COVID-19 vaccinated and unvaccinated persons shall be complied with. Non-compliance with applicable CDC guidelines may subject a participant to disqualification. Proof of vaccination status for all competitors, coaches, volunteers, Responsible Adults and parents attending the event ay be required at check-in.

## 9. COURSES

9.1 The Race Committee will determine courses in accordance with ISSA Procedural Rules.

## 10. SCORING

10.1 The regatta will be scored using ISSA Procedural Rules. There will be no races thrown out. Protest procedures will be per ISSA Procedural Rules with amplifying details outlined in the Sailing Instructions.

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### 11. COACHING

11.1 Competitors may receive coaching, including instruction, assistance, equipment or sustenance, only while on shore or location on the water to be designated at the Competitors' Meeting. 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. [Modifies ISSA PR 8(a)].

#### 12. HOUSING/FOOD

- 12.1 Lunches will not be provided to sailors.
- 12.2 Sailors should bring their own lunches and refillable water bottles.
- 12.3 No housing is provided.

#### 13. **OFFICIAL NOTICES**

13.1 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.

### RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS 14.

14.1 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.

#### 15. **REGATTA CONTACTS**

- 15.1 Regatta Chairman: Sherri Anderson sherri lynn anderson@yahoo.com (713) 517-3704 15.2
  - SEISA Contact: Leigh Rhodes-Zittrer Irhodes@cimhlaw.com (713) 446-8873