

**South Points #5  
Ransom Everglades  
Harry Anderson Waterfront Center  
January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

**Sailing Instructions**

- 1.0 The regatta will be governed by the current revision of the Racing Rules of Sailing (including appendix Q), the Prescriptions of U.S. Sailing, the Notice of Race, the current Procedural Rules of the Interscholastic Sailing Association (ISSA), the 2015-2016 Supplemental Rules for South Atlantic Interscholastic Sailing Association (SAISA), and by these sailing Instructions.
- 1.1 All schools must be members in good standing of the Interscholastic Sailing Association (ISSA). Eligible teams shall enter by completing registration with the Organizing Authority in accordance with the Notice of Race.
- 1.2 Notices to competitors will be posted at the Official Notice board or identified at Competitors' meeting.
- 2.0 Collegiate 420s will be used. Hull numbers will be given out at check-in. Sails for the first 22 registered boats will be provided.
- 2.1 ISSA Procedural Rules regarding equipment shall apply. Standing rigging shall not be adjusted. The penalty for infringement of this rule will be disqualification from all races sailed in contravention of these instructions. Shroud pins will be taped by the Race Committee after rigging. Travelers will be tied-off/fixed.
- 2.2 Breakdowns shall be handled as per ISSA procedural rules. Competitors shall report any damages or loss of equipment, however slight, to the Race Committee (regatta organizing authority's representative) – immediately upon completion of the race in which it occurs. The penalty for infringement of this instruction, unless jury is satisfied that the competitor made a determined effort to comply, may be disqualification from the race or the series of races the crew or the entire team, at the discretion of the jury.

3.0 SCHEDULE OF RACES

Saturday, Jan 9<sup>th</sup>

0800 Arrival and check-in, boat rigging

0900 Competitors' meeting (all boats must be rigged)

0945 Start of first race of the day

*The R/C reserves the right to start any race if it feels teams have been given ample time to transit to the starting area from the rigging area or rotation location. If the minimum number of races cannot be completed on Saturday, it will be determined if racing will resume on Sunday, or not meet the minimum race requirement.*

Sunday, Jan 10<sup>th</sup> (only if determined needed by the Race Committee)

0900 Competitor's meeting

0945 Start of the first race

1400 No race to be started after this time

- 3.1 The Race Committee will attempt to complete a full rotation of races equal to the number of schools competing, but no "A" Division race will be started after 1630 hours. It is the intention of the Race Committee to sail two "A" Division races, then rotate to sail two "B" Division races, etc. Towards the end of the day, the Race Committee may change the format matching single "A" and "B" Division races to get in as many rotations as possible.
- 3.2 It is the responsibility of each team to insure that they rotate correctly, occupy the proper boat and that before leaving the dock the boat is in working order.
- 4.0 The Racing Area will be directly East of the Ransom-Everglades campus and to the South-Southwest of Coconut Grove Sailing Club Chanel.
- 5.0 Courses will be windward-leeward, triangle, Gold Cup, trapezoid, or Olympic, to be announced prior to the start sequence. Courses will not be shortened by eliminating any legs of the course. In addition to the aforementioned courses, other course configurations may be used as conditions dictate and will be verbally hailed from the Race Committee Signal Boat. Courses may be modified to have the start and finish line in the middle of the course. The line will be unrestricted. Additionally, windward offset marks and leeward gates may be used.
- 5.1 The starting and finishing marks are not marks of the course except when starting or finishing.
- 5.2 The race committee may move marks, provided no competitor is in the leg of the course that the mark defines. Changes of course shall not be signaled. (Modifies RRS 33)
- 5.3 The Race Committee may give oral instructions on the water.
- 6.0 Marks will be white or orange buoys.
- 7.0 Races will be 3 minute whistle or horn starts in accordance with ISSA Procedural Rules.
- 7.1 The starting line will be between an orange flag on the race committee boat and the adjacent mark or an orange flag on the pin-end boat.
- 7.2 Individual recalls will be signaled by verbal hail. Code Flag "X" will not be displayed. (Modifies RRS 29.1). The Race Committee intends to hail boats over early (OCS). Failure of a boat to hear the hail, an untimely hail, failure to hail any boat and the order of boats in the hail will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1.
- 7.3 General recalls will be signaled by multiple sound signals. The new warning signal will follow as soon as possible. No flag will be displayed. (Modifies RRS 29.2)

- 7.4 After a general recall, the "Round-an-End" Rule applies for the subsequent start(s) of that race. Code Flag "I" will not be displayed. (Modifies RRS 30.1). However, at the discretion of the Race Committee, the Black Flag Rule, RRS 30.3, may be invoked after a general recall or at any time in the sole discretion of the Race Committee. If the Black Flag rule is invoked, no black flag will be displayed, but the Race Committee will verbally notify the competitors; failure to be near enough to the Race Committee to hear such notification is not cause for redress. The Black Flag rule is as follows: A boat within the triangle formed by the ends of the line and the first mark during the minute before the start will be disqualified without a hearing.
- 8.0 The finish line will be between an orange flag on the race committee boat and the adjacent mark or an orange flag on the pin-end boat.
- 9.0 The Race Committee may abandon any race in progress when a change in weather conditions has, in the sole discretion of the Race Committee, made the race an unsatisfactory test of skill. (Modifies RRS 32.1 and 32.2)
- 9.1 Further signals to be made in starting area: Multiple sound signals from Race Committee and oral notification. Flag "N" (blue and white check) and three sound signals will not be the notification method used.
- 9.2 Further signals to be made ashore: Multiple sound signals from Race Committee and oral notification. Flag "N" over "H" (red and white) and three sound signals will not be the notification method used.
- 9.3 No more racing today: Multiple sound signals from Race Committee and oral notification. Flag "N" over "A" (blue and white) and three sound signals will not be the notification method used.
- 10.0 If a boat is delaying the completion of a race, the Race Committee may, at its sole discretion, terminate the race and score her with points equal to the last place. After being informed that the boat is being "scored in place," the boat shall immediately either: (a) return to the starting area, or (b) return to the boat rotation beach, as directed by the R/C
- 11.0 A boat that retires from a race is asked to notify the Race Committee either before leaving the course area or if that is impossible, immediately after arriving ashore.
- 12.0 Competitors shall provide and wear life jackets at all times while on the water.
- 13.0 Scoring will be in accordance with ISSA Procedural Rules 9 and 11.
- 14.0 Protest Procedure will be in accordance with ISSA Procedural Rule 16. Flags will not be required.
- 14.1 A one turn penalty will apply as an alternate penalty for violations of a rule of Part 2.
- 14.2 Protests: The time limit for filing written protests is 20 minutes after the last boat in that Division comes to shore after the race in which the alleged infringement occurred.  
Protest forms are available from the Protest Chairman or Principal Race Officer. Completed forms should be turned into the Principal Race Officer.
- 15.0 Procedure and compensation for breakdown points will be in accordance with ISSA Procedural Rule 9(f) "Breakdowns - Fleet Racing" and ISSA Appendix 3.

- 16.0 Coaching will be in accordance with ISSA Procedural Rule 8.
- 18.0 **No contestant shall either on or off the water use or possess any alcoholic beverages or any controlled substance. No contestant shall use foul language. Notice is drawn to Rule 6, 2015-2016 SAISA Supplemental Rules.**
- 19.0 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. Competitors acknowledge that sailing involves potential risks. As a condition of their participation in this regatta, competitors release all claims they may have against Ransom Everglades School and its officers, directors, members, committees, alumni and employees for damage to property, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta. Competitors shall be responsible for damage or injury caused by their breach of *The Racing Rules of Sailing* or applicable governmental rules for the avoidance of collision.