St George's Fall Invitational Sail Newport Sunday October 27, 2024

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES:

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, the <u>ISSA Procedural Rules</u> and the Scholastic Dinghy Class Rules.
- 1.2. In accordance with RRS 70.5(a), decisions of the protest committee are final. US SAILING's permission has been granted.
- 1.3. The Organizing Authority (OA) is the St. George's Sailing Team in conjunction with NESSA
- 1.4. Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, as modified by ISSA Procedural Rule 14(c) will be in effect.
- **2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:** The sailing instructions will be posted on Tech Score prior to the report time for the regatta.
- **3. COMMUNICATION:** The online official notice board will be Tech Score.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. This event is open to any high school team, including conglomerate teams, at the discretion of the host.
- 4.2. Schools shall be eligible for NESSA Invitational Regattas in the following way.
 - 4.2.1. All NESSA dues must be paid.
 - 4.2.2. Each NESSA Member school is entitled to one entry on a first come, first served basis until the regatta is filled.
 - 4.2.3. Registration for non-NESSA teams (conglomerate teams or out of district school teams) will open after Wednesday, September 21st, only if space is available, on a first come first serve basis.
 - 4.2.4. Registration will be open to the first 16 eligible teams to register. A wait-list will be assembled if the event becomes full. One additional berth will be reserved for the host team.

5. Registration:

- 5.1. Eligible schools wishing to register for this event may register <u>here</u>.
- 5.2. The event chair (Ben Greenfield) reserves the right to increase or decrease the number of berths at his discretion.
- 5.3. Registration will begin at 9am on September 9th. and be open until Sunday, October 20th @ 9am
- 5.4. All teams still wishing to compete after registration is filled will be added to a waitlist.
- 5.5. Teams that have registered and are unable to compete must notify the regatta chairperson as soon as possible. Any cancellation later than Thursday, October 24th at 1200, or failure to field a registered team that results in another team being denied a berth, will result in applicable sanctions prescribed by NESSA By-Laws Article L.
- 5.6. The list of registered teams and those on the waitlist may be viewed <u>here</u>.

6. Entry Fee

- **6.1.** The entry fee is \$20 per school payable by cash or check made out to St. George's School
- **7. BOATS:** Zim FJs provided by host. Boats will be sailed as provided. Bow lines shall not be tied to the mast and should be kept free to use quickly, if needed.

8. SCHEDULE:

- 0900 Report time
- 0930 Sailor's Meeting. Time of the first race will be announced at the sailor's meeting.
- 1600 No A division race will be started after this time

Changes to the schedule will be posted on the official notice board.

- 9. RACING AREA: All races will be sailed in or near Newport Harbor in close proximity to Fort Adams
- **10. FORMAT:** A and B fleet racing. 2 races per rotation, in each division.

11. COACHING:

- 11.1. Team leaders, chaperones, coaches, parents, advisors and other support personnel shall not go afloat in the sailing area from the time they arrive at the regatta site until the regatta is done unless explicitly permitted by the regatta chair. The penalty for failing to comply with this requirement may be the disqualification of all boats, competitors and teams associated with the infringing support personnel.
- 11.2. A coach who is also acting as a Race Committee is exempt from PR 8(a) between sets of races.

12. Outside Assistance

- 12.1. In the event of a capsize, collision, or potential injury causing incident, the race committee and support boats may provide assistance to any affected boats at the race committee personnel's discretion.
- 12.2. If a boat is provided outside assistance from a support boat, the race committee reserves the right to direct a competitor back to land to sit out the following races of that set if they deem the boat is likely to need assistance again. If the incident is deemed to be related to wind/water conditions, the race committee may require this team to remain on the dock for subsequent sets if those conditions have not significantly improved.
- 13. 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.

14. WAIVER OF LIABILITY:

- **14.1.** 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.
- **14.2.** 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.

15. REGATTA CONTACTS:

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