

National Invitational Tournament Team Race Regatta

Rochester Yacht Club

5555 St Paul Blvd Rochester, NY 14617

Organized by the Midwest Interscholastic Sailing Association, Mid-Atlantic School Sailing Association & New England Schools Sailing Association

Host School: TBD

May 22-24, 2015

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES:

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by *the rules* as defined in *the Racing Rules of Sailing (2013-2016)* including Appendix D.
- 1.2 ISSA PR will be in effect from the time a school arrives until they have departed the regatta site at the end of the event. This includes ISSA PR 5.1
- 1.3 COACHING: Team-leaders, chaperones, advisors, coaches and other support personnel shall not go afloat in the sailing area from registration through the end of the regatta unless with the permission of the event 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.

2. ELIGIBILITY:

- 2.1 Competing schools must be members of ISSA, meet ISSA PR 1, and be recognized by their school.
- 2.2 The regatta has 10 berths divided up the following way. The ISSA district director is responsible for selecting the schools that will represent their district.
 - 2.2.(a) Three (3) berths to NESSA school, Two (2) berths to MASSA schools, Two (2) berths to MISSA schools, One (1) berth to the host school.
 - 2.3 (b) Two (2) berths to wild card schools. Teams or districts wishing to enter the wild card lottery must express their interest to the regatta chair by May 1st. The event chair will select the wild card teams based upon districts, resume, and other factors deemed relevant.

3. ENTRY AND COMMUNICATIONS:

- 3.1 District director shall alert the event chair of the qualifiers from their district by May 1st. If this is not possible, the district director shall inform the event chair of this fact by the deadline and the two of them shall come to a mutual agreement.
- 3.2 Eligible schools must file an official on-line entry form prior to competition.
- 3.3 All fee(s) must be paid by the time of registration.
 - 3.3(a) the entry fee is \$200/school. Entry fee includes a regatta t-shirt for all registered sailors.
 - 3.3 (b) A damage deposit of \$400/school is required. Funds not used will be returned via mail as soon as possible after the regatta.
 - 3.4 (c) Make checks payable to: *Rochester YC*

4. **BOATS:** C420s will be provided by the host. Boats will be sailed as provided.

5. **RACING AREA:** Racing will be Lake Ontario off of the Rochester YC.

6. **SCHEDULE:**

Friday, May 22, 2015

1500 - 1800 Registration at Regatta Site

1500 - 1800 Optional Practice

Saturday, May 23, 2015

0900 Report time, Last minute registration.

0915 Coach's Meeting with Event Chair

0930 Sailors meeting - Mandatory

Starting time for first race will be announced at Sailor's meeting and racing will continue throughout the day.

Sunday, May 24, 2015

0900 Report time

0915 Coach's Meeting with Event Chair

0930 Sailors meeting - Mandatory

Starting time for first race will be announced at Sailor's meeting and racing will continue throughout the day.

1530 No new warning signal will be made after this time.

Trophy Presentation after racing.

7. **COURSES:** Digital "N" course is expected, but based on conditions, the Race Committee will determine the courses as prescribed in ISSA PR 7.7 Courses.

8. **SCORING:** The regatta will be scored using ISSA Procedural Rules

9. **FORMAT:** A ten team double-round-robin followed by a 5 team gold round(s) and a 5 team silver round(s) is the planned format.

10. **HOUSING:** A list of local hotels can be found on the RYC website -

<http://www.rochesteryc.com/>

11. **TRANSPORTATION:**

11.1 The closest airport to Greater Rochester International Airport (airport code - ROC) -

<http://www.monroecounty.gov/airport-index.php?orgid=36>

11.2 The largest airport that is close by is Buffalo Niagara International Airport (BUF), which is about 1-hour from Rochester- <http://www.buffaloairport.com/>

11.3 Directions to Rochester Yacht Club- <http://www.rochesteryc.com/>

12. **PRIZES:** The winning school will get the Founder's trophy until next year's event. Prizes will be handed out for teams that finish first, second, and third.

13. **REGATTA CONTACTS:**

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