

NW Team Race District Championship

April 27-28, 2019
Bainbridge Island, WA

Sailing Instructions

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the Rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, including Appendix D, the ISSA Procedural Rules, and the NWISA District Rules.
- 1.2 The US Sailing prescriptions to rules 60.3, 63.2 and 63.4 will not apply.
- 1.3 Under rule 70.5(a), the right of appeal is denied.
- 1.4 RRS D2 Umpired Races, will apply to all races. Per ISSA PR 12 RRS D2.6, limited umpiring, shall apply
- 1.5 Rule D2.2, Protests by Boats, will apply. Note that this is a one-flag protest procedure using just a single red protest flag.
- 1.6 In rule D2.4(a), "green and white" is changed to "green and white or solid green", and, in rules D1.2(d)(1) and D2.4(c), "black and white" is changed to "black and white or solid black".
- 1.7 The Principal Race Officer, Chief Umpire, and NWISA Representative will ensure that this championship is conducted in compliance with the rules listed in sailing instruction 1.1.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 The official notice board will be at the boat ramp info Kiosk at Waterfront Park until racing starts each day, at which time it will be moved to the rotation float near the racecourse in Eagle Harbor. It will be returned to the boat ramp info kiosk no later than 60 minutes after the last race has finished each day.

3. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday

- 1400 Early registration, boat drop off/inspection begins.
- 1430 Practice Races.
- 1900 Early registration, boat drop off/inspection ends.

Saturday

- 0830 Report Time and Final Registration
- 0930 Competitors Meeting
- 1000 First Warning: Racing will continue throughout the day.

Sunday

- 0900 Rigging and Launching
- 1000 First Warning: Racing will continue throughout the day.
- 1500 No Race will be started after this time, with the exception of any sail off, if needed.
- 1530 Results and Awards Presentation at City Dock.

Eat during boat rotation – no lunch break.

4. FORMAT

- 4.1 A double round robin will be sailed. In order for this format to proceed at least the first 10 races of the second round robin must be completed on the first day. If time allows a 'final four' consisting of up to three rounds will be sailed following the round robins. Consolation rounds will be sailed concurrently.
- 4.2 If the above format is not possible within the allotted time, then a single round robin with up to two 'final four' rounds will be sailed with any necessary tie breaker sail-offs. If this format is also not possible, then a single completed round robin will constitute a complete regatta.
- 4.3 If a single round robin is not completed, the incomplete round robin will constitute a complete regatta if:
 - (a) the first place team would remain in first place no matter what the results of the remaining races were, or

- (b) one team is clearly in first place and the teams that could possibly move into first place in the remaining races of the round robin concede.

This changes rule D4.2(b)

- 4.4 If the regatta is not completed under sailing instruction 4.1, 4.2 or 4.3, and it is unmanageable to complete a single round robin in the time allotted, then the regatta reverts back to the results through race #20. At that point, each school will have sailed against the five other schools in their pre-determined division (see below). Schools will be ranked first through fifth in their division.

There will be a sail-off as defined below between the top teams depending on time.

Option #1: The top two schools in each predetermined division will sail a Final Four round robin (Double or Single depending on time). If time permits the schools ranked 3 and 4 in each predetermined division will sail a round robin for place 5th through 8th and the schools ranked 5th in each predetermined division will have a sail off for 9th through 10th.

Option #2: The first place schools in each division will sail off for first and second place in the regatta. The second place schools in each division will sail off for third and fourth place in the regatta. Other races for places 5-10 in the regatta may happen if time permits using the same formula. Unless otherwise determined, a sail-off shall be defined as a best of three series (first team to two wins).

For the purposes of establishing the boat assignments for the Qualifying Round, the seeding is as follows based on the results from the NWISA Double Handed Back Up – Islands Cup:

Division A

A = Orcas

B = Olympia

C = Sehome

D = North Kitsap

E = Ballard

Division B

F = Gig Harbor

G = Bainbridge

H = Capital

I = Roosevelt

J = Benson

- 4.5 Decisions under sailing instruction 4 will be made by the Race Committee PRO, Chief Umpire and NWISA Representative.

5. BREAKDOWNS

- 5.1 Rule D5 applies to breakdowns. However, rules D5.3 and D5.4 are changed as follows – in each, “race committee” is changed to “protest committee”.
- 5.2 Rule D5.2 is changed as follows – the words “displaying a red flag” are replaced with “notifying an umpire or the race committee”.
- 5.3 Rule D1.2(c) is changed as follows – the words “shall display a red flag” are replaced with “shall notify an umpire or the race committee”.

6. PROTESTS

Per Procedural Rule 8(b), competitors shall not communicate with a coach before reporting to the race committee their intent to protest.

7. ROTATION

The rotation will be in accordance with the provided rotation sheet available at the competitors’ meeting. Boat exchanges will occur off the floating docks.

8. THE COURSE

- 8.1 The course will be a digital “N”.
- 8.2 Marks will be orange inflated balls.

9. START/FINISH AND RECALLS

- 9.1 Races will be started using RRS Appendix U, in accordance with ISSA PR 7.8(a).
- 9.2 Procedural Rule 7.8(b) General Recalls – Round the Ends Rule – will not apply.
- 9.3 Teams whose warning signal has not been made shall stay clear of the starting area.
- 9.4 The starting line will be between a staff displaying a flag on the starting line race committee boat and the course side of an orange inflated ball at the pin end of the starting line.
- 9.5 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a flag on the finishing line race committee boat and the course side of an orange inflated ball at the pin end of the finish line.

10. ABANDONING RACES

- 10.1 Abandonment will be signaled orally by the race committee or an umpire. This changes rule 32.1 and Race Signals, Abandonment Signals. Abandoned races may be re-sailed and, if so, a new warning signal will be made as soon as practicable.

11. SCORING

Scoring will be in accordance with Appendix D, except that ISSA PR 12.1 replaces rule D4.4.

12. COACHING

- 12.1 Team leaders, chaperones, coaches, advisors and other support personnel shall not go afloat in the sailing area, except for coaches on the rotation float unless explicitly permitted by the regatta chairperson. 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. Shared coach boats MAY be provided to coaches during the Friday practice, limit one coach per team.
- 12.2 Competitors may receive coaching, assistance, equipment or sustenance only while on shore, on the dock, or on the rotation float.
- 12.3 Spectators may go afloat in designated spectator boats provided there is no communication with sailors and the spectator boats will stay off the race course.

13. SAFETY

- 13.1 In accordance with ISSA PR 2.2, USCG approved Type III or V PFD's or those using the USCG terminology "wearable" shall be worn at all times by competitors while on the water, or on the rotation float, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing. Flag 'Y' will not be displayed. This modifies rule 40 and the preamble to Part 4.
- 13.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee or an umpire either before leaving the course, or if that is impossible, immediately after arriving at the dock or rotation float.
- 13.3 All teams shall have a coach or responsible adult who is prepared to offer first aid or be responsible to call 911. The fire department is close to the venue.

14. BOATS AND EQUIPMENT

- 14.1 Boats shall be sailed as supplied with colored mainsails or sail numbers and jibs to designate teams.
- 14.2 Competitors have the option to rig mainsheets 3:1 or 4:1.
- 14.3 Any equipment problems shall be reported to the Regatta Chairperson, or personnel designated at the competitors meeting, as soon as possible.