

2021 Spring MASSA Silver Fleet Race Championship
Hosted by
Sailing Center Chesapeake
18171 Rosecroft Rd, St. Mary's City, MD 20686
May 15-16, 2021

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES:

1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of US SAILING, the ISSA Procedural Rules, the MASSA District Supplemental Rules (includes SI's), this Notice of Race, and Addendum to the Sailing Instructions. In the event of a conflict, the Sailing Instructions Addendum will take precedence.

1.2. RRS Appendix P is in effect modified per ISSA Procedural Rule 14(c).

1.3. In accordance with rule 70.5(a), decisions of the protest committee are final. US Sailing's permission has been granted.

1.4. The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Mid-Atlantic Interscholastic Sailing Association in conjunction with the Maryland Interscholastic Sailing Association (MDISA), and Sailing Center Chesapeake.

2. ELIGIBILITY:

2.1. Competing schools must be members of ISSA and MASSA, and meet ISSA and MASSA eligibility rules as prescribed in the Procedural Rules, and the District Rules.

2.2. In accordance with ISSA PR 1.3, teams must be accompanied by a designated adult team leader, who may be an advisor, coach or parent recognized by the school.

2.3. Selection of competing schools will be by individual league qualifying rules. The regatta has 18 berths.

3. ENTRY AND COMMUNICATIONS:

3.1. Eligible schools must enter by submitting contact information on the district google document commitment form, and confirming registration with the regatta chairperson by May 7, 2021. If the elimination for your district is to be held after this date, please have the district director contact the regatta chairperson immediately so special arrangements can be made.

3.2. Teams unable to compete must notify the regatta chairperson and the MASSA Director as soon as possible.

3.3. Any berth not filled by eligible schools by noon on Monday May, 10, 2021, or thereafter vacated, will be reallocated by the MASSA director. The first open allocation will go to the host league.

4. ENTRY FEE & DAMAGE DEPOSIT:

4.1. There is no damage deposit or entry fee for this event.

5. BOATS:

5.1. CFJ's will be provided by Sailing Center Chesapeake

6. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Friday, May 14:

Virtual Competitors Meeting will be emailed to all teams.

Saturday, May 15

0800 - Virtual Check in

0830 - Rigging of boats

9:30 - Approximate first warning

There will be no cut off time for racing.

Sunday, May 16

0900-Rigging of boats

0930- Approximate first warning

1500-No race will start after this time, with the exception of any sail off, if needed

6.1. Changes to the schedule will be posted on the official notice board located on the equipment shed and in Techscore.

7. **RACING AREA:** All races will be sailed in the St. Mary's River directly adjacent to the SCC launching beach

8. **EVENT SITE:** The event will be held at Sailing Center Chesapeake in Chancellor's Point Natural History Area.

9. **COURSES:** Based on conditions, the Race Committee will determine the courses as prescribed in ISSA PR 7.7.

10. **SCORING:** The regatta will be scored in accordance with ISSA Procedural Rules.

11. **RECORD OF PARTICIPATION:** Teams must complete the online RP forms in Tech Score before noon Monday, May 17, 2021. Failure to comply will result in 20 points added to their team score for each division with incomplete forms. This modifies the deadline time in ISSA PR 4.3(b).

12. **SAFETY:**

12.1 Competitors shall wear inherently buoyant personal flotation devices designated as USCG “wearable” in accordance with ISSA PR 2.2. Inflatable type PFDs are not permitted.

12.2 The race committee may require the use of drysuits or full-length wetsuits if the combined air and water temperature is below 120 degrees. This may be announced at the daily competitors’ meeting, and need not be signaled.

12.3 Failure to comply with 12.1 or 12.2 above will be grounds for disqualification from all races sailed in contravention of those instructions.

12.4 Team pinnies must be worn per ISSA PR 2.4. A 20-point penalty will be applied to the division in which the sailors did not comply. No hearing is required.

12.5 Competitors shall supply the equipment to meet the requirements of 12.1, 12.2, and 12.3 above.

12.6 At its discretion, the Race Committee or Organizing Authority may require a competitor to retire from racing if the competitor is determined to be a risk to their own or others’ safety.

12.7 The current MASSA COVID Protocols will be in effect.

11. **HOUSING:** Housing will not be provided. Assistance in obtaining such may be available through one of the contacts listed below.

12. **TRAVEL AND TRANSPORTATION:** The nearest airport is Ronald Reagan National Airport (DCA).

13. **COACHING:** Team leaders, chaperones, coaches, parents, advisors and other support personnel shall not go afloat in the sailing area from 0600 Saturday to after racing has ended on Sunday 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.

14. **PRIZES:** Prizes will not be awarded. The top school will have its name engraved on the perpetual trophy.

15. **OFFICIAL NOTICE:** No contestant 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 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(b). If a hearing under RRS 69 is held, a competitor found to have breached this procedural rule shall be excluded from the remaining races of the series and, where practical, be removed from the regatta venues and sent home. Additional penalties consistent with RRS 69.2 may be imposed on the competitor or

the competitor's team. This regulation is in effect during the entire event from the date and time of arrival through the date and time of departure from the regatta site.

16. **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.

17. **WAIVER OF LIABILITY:** 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.

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.

18. REGATTA CONTACTS:

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Attachment 1 - MASSA District Supplemental Rules including SI's.

Attachment 2 - MASSA COVID Protocols

Attachment 3 - MASSA Code of Conduct