

**MISSA Ohio Baker
Pre-Qualifier
Hoover Sailing Club
Westerville, Ohio
April 16, 2021**

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES:

1.1. The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024, including Appendix D for the Baker the prescriptions of US Sailing, the ISSA Procedural Rules, the ISSA Baker Championship Conditions, the Notice of Race, and these Sailing Instructions. In the event of a conflict between the governing documents and the Sailing Instructions the latter shall take precedence.

1.1. The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Midwest Interscholastic Sailing Association in conjunction with Hoover Sailing Club. Jamie Jones will serve as MISSA Representative for this event.

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

2. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS:

Official notices including changes to sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board located on the east wall of the Clubhouse near the white board. Changes to the sailing instructions shall be approved by the protest committee and posted no later than one half hour prior to the first warning signal on the day it will take effect.

3. SCHEDULE:

3.1. Report time for Friday will be 3PM. The number of races each day will be at the discretion of the regatta chairperson.

3.2. Rotation schedules and boat assignments will be posted before the skipper's meeting.

4. COURSES AND MARKS:

4.1. Courses will be a digital "N" in accordance with ISSA PR Appendix 6.

4.2. The race committee may designate course selection orally.

4.3. All marks will be orange inflatable buoys.

4.4. In accordance with ISSA PR 7.7(c) after the starting signal, the race committee may change the position of any mark to maintain course configuration, provided that no boat is on that leg of the course. No signals are required (changes RRS 33).

5. SHORTENING AND ABANDONING RACES:

In accordance with ISSA PR 7.7(d) races will not be shortened. They will be abandoned. No signals are required. A race may be abandoned at any time at the discretion of the race committee, in consultation with the protest committee if possible.

6. START, FINISH, AND RECALLS:

- 6.1. Races will start in accordance with ISSA PR 7.8(a).
- 6.2. Individual recalls will be made in accordance with RRS Appendix S6.
- 6.3. General recalls will be signaled by a series of short whistles.
- 6.4. The start line will be between a Race Committee Signal Boat on the starboard end and an orange buoy at the port end.
- 6.5. The finish line will be between a Race Committee Safety Boat on the starboard end and a red ball at the port end.

7. BREAKDOWNS:

- 7.1. Breakdown requests shall be filed in the same manner as protests.
- 7.2. Breakdowns shall be scored in accordance with ISSA PR 12.2 for Baker. Compensation shall be consistent with ISSA PR Appendix 3.

8. PROTESTS:

- 8.1. All races shall be umpired pursuant to Appendix D, Rule D2 of the RRS and ISSA PR Appendix 7. Protest procedure will be in accordance with Appendix D2.5 (Two Flag Protest Procedure) and D2.6 (Limited Umpiring)
- 8.2. Per Procedural Rule 8(b), competitors shall not communicate with a coach before reporting to the race committee their intent to protest. The protest time limit is 20 minutes after the last boat finished for the day.

9. SCORING:

Scoring will be in accordance with ISSA PR 12.

10. COACHING:

- 10.1. Coaches shall comply with ISSA PR 8. Coaches may go afloat and may be called on to provide umpiring for racing. All coaches are expected to have a VHF radio tuned to channel 71 to monitor direction from the Race Committee.

11. SAFETY:

- 11.1. Per Procedural Rule 2.2, competitors shall wear USCG approved Type III or V lifejackets. Inflatable type lifejackets are not permitted.
- 11.2. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee either before leaving the course, or if that is impossible, immediately after arriving ashore.

12. FORMAT:

A double round robin is scheduled. The top 2 teams will qualify to sail in the MISSA Baker Championships.

13. TROPHIES:

- 13.1. Prizes will be awarded to schools placing 1st, 2nd and 3rd in the regatta.

14. 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.

15. 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.

16. COVID Policies

All personnel onsite must wear a face covering while on shore. While on the water, competitors may remove their face coverings. Visitors to the site are expected to follow current societal guidelines including but not limited to social distancing.

