NESSA Mallory Qualifier Saturday May 22, 2021 Community Boating Center (New Bedford, MA) SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES:

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of US Sailing, the ISSA Procedural Rules, the NESSA Procedural Rules & District Rules, the Notice of Race, and these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 The Organizing Authority (OA) is NESSA and Host (Tabor Academy and CBC)
- 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 All Race Participation info shall be recorded in Tech Score. Schools that did not fully comply with this rule may be penalized.
- 1.5 Per NESSA Team Size Rules for Covid, a Team attending a fleet race is limited to six sailors and 1-2 adults/coach. (This changes the NOR) A student is considered a sailor, when they arrive at the venue.
- 1.6 Per covid rules, there will be NO boat rotation
- 1.7 In accordance with ISSA PR 7.12, this is a combined division regatta.
- 2. Code of Conduct: [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.
- 3. **NOTICE TO COMPETITORS:** Official notices including changes to sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board located on Tech Score.

4. SCHEDULE:

- 4.1. Coaches meeting will be 2000 on Friday May 21st via ZOOM
- 4.2. Report time on Saturday will be 1000. When teams arrive they should start rigging their boats.
- 4.3. The number of races each day will be at the discretion of the regatta chair.
- 4.4. No first warning for any A Division race may start after 1600, except if the regatta is not "official" yet, in accordance with the ISSA PR, in which case racing can continue until the regatta is official.

5. COURSES AND MARKS:

- 5.1. The race committee may designate course selection orally.
- 5.2. All marks will be described at the sailors meeting.

6. START, FINISH, AND RECALLS:

- 6.1. Races will start in accordance with ISSA PR 7.9(a).
- 6.2. Individual recalls will be made in accordance with ISSA PR 7.9(b).
- 6.3. General recalls will be in accordance with ISSA PR 7.9(c). Note, after a general recall, RRS 30.1 (I Flag Rule) shall apply to that race. Flag I need not be displayed. (Changes RRS 30.1).
- 6.4. The start line will be between a staff with a flag and a mark
- 6.5. The finish line will be between a staff with a flag and a mark

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 9(e). Compensation shall be consistent with ISSA PR Appendix 3.

8. PROTESTS:

- 8.1. Protests procedure will be in accordance with ISSA PR Part VI.
- 8.2. Per Procedural Rule 8(b), competitors shall not communicate with a coach before reporting to the race committee their intent to protest.
- **9. SCORING:** Scoring will be in accordance with ISSA PR 9-11.

10. COACHING:

- 10.1. Coaches, team leaders, chaperones, advisors, parents, or other support personnel shall not go afloat in the sailing area on the published dates of the regatta, 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 personnel.
- 10.2. Competitors may receive coaching, including instruction, assistance, equipment or sustenance, only while on shore or area(s) designated by the regatta chair at the sailor's meeting.
- 10.3. A coach who is also acting as a Race Committee is exempt from 10.2 between sets of races.

11. SAFETY:

- 11.1. Competitors shall wear USCG approved lifejackets as outlined in Procedural Rule 2.2.
- 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. QUALIFICATIONS:

- 12.1. School teams that finish in places 1-3 will qualify to represent NESSA at the ISSA Fleet Racing Championship (Mallory Trophy) to be sailed in Cleveland, OH June 4-6, 2021
- 12.2. School teams that finish in places 4-5 will qualify to represent NESSA at the Phebe King Memorial Trophy to be sailed at the Annapolis YC (Annapolis, MD).
- 12.3. If a school turns down their bid to represent NESSA at either the Mallory or King Trophies, the next school in line will be offered the bid until all bids have been filled.
- **13.** 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 3, 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.