

SSA Spring MDSA Team Race
To be held at
Severn Sailing Association
3/18/2023

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES:

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing, including Appendix D the prescriptions of US SAILING, the MDSA Procedural Rules, this Notice of Race, and the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2. RRS Appendix P is in effect modified per ISSA Procedural Rule 14(c).
- 1.3. The Organizing Authority (OA) is SSA.

2. ELIGIBILITY:

- 2.1. Competing schools must be members of ISSA and meet ISSA eligibility rules as prescribed in the Procedural 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. Competing teams must wear pinnies provided by the team, if you do not have pinnies please email the OA and MDSA Chair to avoid penalty.

3. ENTRY AND COMMUNICATIONS:

- 3.1. Eligible schools and sailors must enter by emailing the MDSA Chair to confirm berth.
- 3.2. Teams unable to compete must notify the regatta chairperson and MDSA by Wednesday 9pm, or penalty shall be incurred by the team via MDSA Procedural rules.

4. BOATS:

- 4.1. CFJ's provided by SSA. Boats will be sailed as provided.
- 4.2. Collisions causing damage will be dealt with the Jury in accordance with RRS rules 14, 67, & 69
- 4.3. Jib halyards should remain rigged behind the spreaders, infringements on this will result in disqualification from the races you have participated.

5. FORMAT:

- 5.1. We will attempt to sail 2 round robins and a final 4
- 5.2. If the format above is not possible within the time allotted, the Regatta Chair will announce the best course of action.

6. SCHEDULE:

Saturday, 3/18/2023

0900-Report Time

0915-Competitors Meeting

1000-First Warning and schedule for the day

Last race of the day will be at the discretion of the OA

- 6.1. Changes to the schedule will be posted on the official notice board located on the whiteboard by the third SSA basin.
7. **RACING AREA:** All races will be sailed by the mouth of Spa Creek as close as possible to Severn Sailing Association.
8. **COURSES:** The course will be a digital N course.
9. **SCORING:** The regatta will be scored in TechScore.
10. **SAFETY**
 - 10.1. Competitors and coaches shall wear USCG approved Type 3 Personal Floatation Devices. Inflatable type PFDs are not permitted.
 - 10.2. Race Committee may require the use of dry suits or full-length wetsuits. This may be announced at the daily competitors meeting and need not be signaled.
 - 10.3. Failure to comply with 10.1 and/or 10.2 will be grounds for disqualification from all races sailed in contravention of those instructions
 - 10.4. Competitors shall supply the equipment to meet the requirements of 10.1 and 10.2.
 - 10.5. 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.
11. **COACHING:** Team leaders, chaperones, coaches, parents, advisors and other support personnel shall not go afloat in the sailing area 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.
12. **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.
13. **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.
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. REGATTA CONTACTS:

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