

# 2024 SPRING MASSA TEAM RACING CHAMPIONSHIP

Hosted by

## Norfolk Yacht and Country Club

7001 Hampton Blvd.  
Norfolk, VA 23505

April 27-28, 2024

### NOTICE OF RACE

#### 1. RULES:

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, the [ISSA Procedural Rules](#), [the Scholastic Dinghy Class Rules](#), [The MASSA District Supplemental Rules](#) and [Code of Conduct](#), this NOR and the Sailing Instructions. In the event of a conflict between the governing documents and the Sailing Instructions, the latter shall take precedence.
- 1.2. The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Mid-Atlantic Interscholastic Sailing Association in conjunction with the Virginia Interscholastic Sailing Association (VISA).

2. **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:** The sailing instructions will be posted on Tech Score prior to the report time for the regatta.

3. **COMMUNICATION:** The online official notice board will be Tech Score.

#### 4. ELIGIBILITY:

- 4.1. Competing schools and competitors must be members of ISSA and MASSA and meet ISSA eligibility rules as prescribed in the Procedural Rules.
- 4.2. Selection of competing schools will be by league determination. The regatta has up to 10 berths. Allocations will be determined by the MASSA Board. Schools should contact their league directors to find out details on district qualifiers.
- 4.3. Eligible schools and sailors must enter by submitting contact information on the district Google document commitment form, and by confirming registration with the regatta chairperson by **5:00 PM on Monday, April 22, 2024.**  
<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/17rw1FmFM8HEGpQGRioKh8WYldQ6gVGHLMC1ymXwdlRY/edit?usp=sharing>
- 4.4. If the elimination for your league is to be held after this date, please contact the MASSA Director immediately so special arrangements can be made.
- 4.5. Teams unable to compete must notify the regatta chair and MASSA District Director as soon as possible.
- 4.6. The first open allocation will go to the host league.

5. **FEES:** There will be no fee or damage deposit for this event.

6. **BOATS:** 24 CFJ's will be provided by the host. Boats will be sailed as provided.

#### 7. SCHEDULE:

##### Saturday

8:30 - Report time/Rigging of Boats

9:00 - Competitors meetings

9:30 First Warning

**Sunday**

8:30 - Rigging of boats

9:00 - First Warning

2:00 - No Warning Signal will be made after this time aside from sail-off to break a tie.

Awards - immediately after all gear is properly stowed.

Changes to the schedule will be posted on the official notice board.

8. **RACING AREA:** All races will be in the Lafayette River as close to the rotation dock as possible.
9. **COACHING:**
  - 9.1. Team leaders, chaperones, coaches, parents, advisors and other support personnel shall not go afloat in the sailing area from the start of registration time on Friday until the end of the regatta unless explicitly permitted by the regatta chair. 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.
  - 9.2. Once a team has qualified for a District Championship, members of that team shall not sail at the site to be used for the event, unless that site is their School's home waters or there is a previously scheduled ISSA regatta. Violation of this condition may be cause for disqualification of the team from the event.
10. **PRIZES:** Prizes will be awarded to schools placing 1st, 2nd and 3rd in the regatta.
11. **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.
12. **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.

13. **REGATTA CONTACTS:**

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