



ISSA HIGH SCHOOL TEAM RACING CHAMPIONSHIP

For the

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Mission Bay Yacht Club, CA

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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES:

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* including Appendix D, and the [ISSA Procedural Rules](#) including Appendices 1-8.
- 1.2. The Organizing Authority (OA) is the (ISSA) Interscholastic Sailing Association and its PCISA District. The host is the Mission Bay Yacht Club.
- 1.3. All races will be umpired. Rule D2 applies.
- 1.4. In rule D2.4(a), “green and white” is changed to “green and white or solid green”, and, in rules D1.2(b)(1) and D2.4(c), “black and white” is changed to “black and white or solid black”.
- 1.5. RRS D 1.1 (d) shall apply. “When stated in the sailing instructions, rule 20.4 is changed so that the following arm signals are required in addition to the hails: (1) for *room* to tack, repeatedly and clearly pointing to windward; and (2) for ‘You tack’, repeatedly and clearly pointing at the other boat and waving the arm to windward.

2. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS:

- 2.1. Official notices will be posted on the official noticeboard located on [Techscore](#).
- 2.2. Changes to the sailing instructions shall be approved by the Chief Umpire and the ISSA representative and posted no later than one half hour prior to the first warning signal on the day it will take effect.
- 2.3. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the committee boat tied up to the dock at/or near the rotation floats. When the AP is displayed ashore, “1 minute” is replaced by “Not less than 10 minutes” in race signal AP.

3. **CODE OF CONDUCT:** [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

4. SCHEDULE AND FORMAT:

- 4.1. Report times each day are listed in the NOR.
- 4.2. The number of races each day will be determined per PR 7.1.
- 4.3. Rotation schedules and boat assignments will be posted on [Techscore](#) after the competitors’ meeting.

- 4.4. The intended format is to sail a Qualifying Round using a single round-robin of all twelve teams, followed by a Championship division double round-robin including the top four schools. Schools placing fifth through eighth in the qualifying round will sail a double round-robin Silver division, and schools placing 9-12 in the qualifying round will sail a double round-robin Bronze division. All scores will carry over.
- 4.5. Appendix D4.3 (b) does not apply. No incomplete rounds will be scored, but races sailed in an incomplete round may be used as tiebreakers.
- 4.6. The intended format may be changed in accordance with ISSA PR 11.3. If it is deemed necessary to change the format, the following protocol will be consulted:
 - 4.6.1. Plan B: If only the Qualifying Round has been completed, the results will stand as the championship. If any of the subsequent round robins (Championship, Silver, or Bronze) have been completed, the results of completed round robins will stand. Results from incomplete round robins will be used in tiebreakers only. This changes ISSA PR 11.1(c).
 - 4.6.2. Plan C: If the Regatta Chair, Chief Umpire, and ISSA Representative deem that it is unmanageable to complete the Qualifying Round in the time allotted, then the regatta reverts back to the results through Race #30. At that point each school will have sailed against each of the five other schools in their predetermined divisions. Schools will be ranked 1st through 6th within each division, and one of the following Sail-off Options will be followed:
 - 4.6.2.1. Option 1: The top two schools in each division will sail a Final Four Round (single or double round-robin as time allows). If time allows, additional round robins may be sailed to determine places 5-8 and 9-12.
 - 4.6.2.2. Option 2: The top school from each division will sail off for first and second place, and then the second-place school in each division will sail off for third and fourth place. These sail-offs will be the first to win two races. If time allows other races to determine places 5-12 may then be scheduled.
 - 4.6.2.3. Option 3: If time and conditions do not permit any more races, the top school in each division will tie for the Championship and the second-place team from each division will tie for third place. This changes PR 11.1.
 - 4.6.3. Plan D: If the Qualifying Round has not reached race #30 and no other equitable format has been able to be completed by the end of the time limit, then the regatta is discontinued and there will be no champion for 2025.

For the purposes of establishing the boat assignments for the Qualifying Round, the seeding is as follows:

Division A

A = SAISA #1 – Antilles School
 B = PCISA #2 – Point Loma HS
 C = NESSA #1 – St George's School
 D = MASSA #2 – Christchurch School
 E = MISSA #2 – Jones College Prep
 F = NWISA #1 – Bainbridge Island HS

Division B

G = SAISA #2 – Mast Academy
 H = PCISA #1 – Mater Dei HS
 I = NESSA #2 – Tabor Academy
 J = MASSA #1 – Severn School
 K = SEISA #1 – Clear Lake HS
 L = MISSA #1 – Lake Forest HS

- 4.7. All tie-breaking sail-offs for Championship, Silver, and Bronze rounds must be completed before the final day of competition.

5. **COURSES AND MARKS:**

- 5.1. Courses will be in accordance with ISSA PR 7.8 and Appendix 10 (Digital N Course)
- 5.2. All marks will be as shown in the attached course diagram. Orange Flags on floating staffs will be used for start and finish pin marks. Orange balls will be used for marks 1, 2, 3, and 4.

6. **BOATS:**

- 6.1. Per ISSA PR Appendix 2 – Rule 6.5, the standing rigging of boats shall not be altered without approval of the Race Committee or ISSA Representative.
- 6.2. Competitors have the option to rig mainsheets 3:1 or 4:1, and sail with the mainsail loose footed.

- 7. **ABANDONING RACES:** Abandonment will be signaled orally by the race committee or an umpire. This changes rule 32.1 and Race Signals, Abandonment Signals. Abandoned races may be re-sailed and, if so, a new warning signal will be made as soon as practicable.

8. **START/FINISH AND SIGNALS:**

- 8.1. Races will start in accordance with ISSA PR 7.9.
- 8.2. ISSA PR 7.9(c) shall not apply.
- 8.3. The start/finish line will be between a flag on the race committee boat and a mark.
- 8.4. If a boat is delaying the finish of a race, the race committee may end the race and score the boat in its current position.
- 8.5. A boat shall not start later than 2 minutes after her starting signal and if so shall be scored DNS.

9. **BREAKDOWNS:**

- 9.1. Breakdown requests shall be filed in the same manner as protests.
- 9.2. Rule D5.2 is changed as follows, “displaying a red flag” is changed to “displaying a red flag and hailing ‘breakdown’”.
- 9.3. Rule D5 applies to breakdowns. However, rules D5.3 and D5.4 are changed as follows – in each, “race committee” is changed to “protest committee.”
- 9.4. Breakdowns shall be scored in accordance with ISSA PR 11.2. Compensation shall be consistent with ISSA PR Appendix 5.

- 10. **PROTESTS:** Protests procedure will be in accordance with RRS Appendix D, and for protests not covered under Appendix D, ISSA PR Part VI.

- 11. **SCORING:** Scoring will be in accordance with ISSA PR 11.

- 12. **SAFETY:** 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.

Course Diagram

DIGITAL “N” COURSE

