2025 MDISA Fleet Race Qualifier Hosted by Severn Sailing Association April 18-19, 2025



NOTICE OF RACE



# RULES:

1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of US SAILING, the ISSA Procedural Rules, the MASSA District Supplemental Rules (includes SI's), this Notice of Race, and Addendum to the Sailing Instructions. In the event of a conflict, the Sailing Instructions Addendum will take precedence.

- 1.2. RRS Appendix P is in effect modified per ISSA Procedural Rule 14(c).
- 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. The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Mid-Atlantic Interscholastic Sailing Association in conjunction with the Maryland Interscholastic Sailing Association (MDISA), Annapolis Yacht Club and Severn Sailing Association.

#### ELIGIBILITY:

1.5. Competing schools must be members of ISSA and MASSA, and meet ISSA and MASSA eligibility rules as prescribed in the Procedural Rules, and the District Rules.

1.6. 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.

1.7. Selection of competing schools will be by individual league qualifying rules. The regatta has 18 berths.

#### ENTRY AND COMMUNICATIONS:

1.8. Eligible schools must enter by emailing the MDISA Chair by April 16th at 9pm.

# ENTRY FEE & DAMAGE DEPOSIT:

1.9. There will be no entry fee or damage deposit.

# BOATS:

1.10. CFJ's will be provided by Severn Sailing Association. Boats will be sailed as provided.

# SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

# Friday, April 18th

1400 - Coaches Check in1430 - Competitors Meeting1500 - Approximate first warningSundown is the cutoff for racing

# Saturday, April 19th

0900-Rigging of boats 0930- Approximate first warning There will be no cutoff for racing

1.11. Changes to the schedule will be posted on the official notice board located by the 3rd crane by the seawall.

**RACING AREA:** All races will be sailed in the area off Severn Sailing Association.

**EVENT SITE:** Sailing activities and restroom breaks will take place at Severn Sailing Association. There is no parking at AYC or SSA or surrounding clubs/condos/restaurants. STREET PARKING ONLY. You WILL be towed.

**COURSES:** Based on conditions, the Race Committee will determine the courses as prescribed in ISSA PR 7.7.

**SCORING:** The regatta will be scored in accordance with ISSA Procedural Rules.

**11. RECORD OF PARTICIPATION:** Teams must complete the online RP forms in Tech Score before noon Sunday, April 20th. Failure to comply will result in 20 points added to their team score for each division with incomplete forms. This modifies the deadline time in ISSA PR 4.3(b).

# 12. SAFETY:

12.1 Competitors shall wear inherently buoyant personal flotation devices designated as USCG "wearable" in accordance with ISSA PR 2.2. Inflatable type PFDs are not permitted.

12.2 The race committee may require the use of drysuits or full-length wetsuits if the combined air and water temperature is below 120 degrees. This may be announced at the daily competitors' meeting, and need not be signaled.

12.3 Failure to comply with 12.1 or 12.2 above will be grounds for disqualification from all races sailed in contravention of those instructions.

12.4 Team pinnies must be worn per ISSA PR 2.4. A 20-point penalty will be applied to the division in which the sailors did not comply. No hearing is required.

12.5 Competitors shall supply the equipment to meet the requirements of 12.1, 12.2, and 12.3 above.

12.6 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.

**13 COACHING:** Team leaders, chaperones, coaches, parents, advisors and other support personnel shall not go afloat in the sailing area from 0600 Friday to after racing has ended on Saturday 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.

**14 PRIZES:** Prizes will not be awarded.

**15 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 51of 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 departure from the regatta site.

**16 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.

**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.

# 18 **REGATTA CONTACTS**:

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