# NESSA TEAM RACING CHAMPIONSHIP For the PRESIDENTS TROPHY and NESSA TEAM RACING TOURNAMENT For the JIM TERKELSEN TROPHY HARVARD SAILING CENTER and MIT BOATHOUSE, CAMBRIDGE, MA MAY 3-4, 2025

# **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; the <u>ISSA Procedural Rules</u>; the <u>ISSA National Championship General Conditions</u>; and the Scholastic Dinghy Class Rules.
- **1.2.** The Organizing Authority (OA) is the New England Schools Sailing Association (NESSA) in conjunction with MIT and Harvard.
- 1.3. In accordance with RRS 70.5(a), decisions of the protest committee are final. US SAILING's permission has been granted.
- 1.4. ISSA PR 4.1(d) is modified so that rosters need to be declared "at the report time of the regatta."

# 2. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS:

- **2.1.** Official notices will be posted on the official notice board located on Tech Score.
- **2.2.** Changes to the sailing instructions shall be approved by the CHUMP and the NESSA representative and posted no later than one half hour prior to the first warning signal on the day it will take effect.
- 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 at the discretion of the regatta chair.
- 4.3. Rotation schedules and boat assignments will be posted on Tech Score after the skipper's meeting.
- 4.4. Format:
  - 4.4.1. For the President's Trophy a double round-robin followed by a four team double championship round robin is planned.

- 4.4.2. For the Terkelson Trophy a single round robin of 10 schools, followed by a single round robin of the top 6, followed by the single round robin of the top four.
- 4.4.3. All scores carry over from one round robin to the next.

### 5. COURSES AND MARKS:

- 5.1. Courses will be in accordance with ISSA PR Appendix 6 (Digital N Course).
- 5.2. All marks will be pink and green buoys. Different color buoys may be substituted if necessary.

# 6. START/FINISH AND SIGNALS:

- 6.1. Races will start in accordance with ISSA PR 7.9.
- 6.2. ISSA PR 7.9(c) shall not apply.
- 6.3. The start line will be between a flag on the race committee boat and a mark.
- 6.4. The finish line will be as described in the competitors' meeting.

### 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 11.2. Compensation shall be consistent with ISSA PR Appendix 5.

### 8. PROTESTS:

- **8.1.** Protests procedure will be in accordance with ISSA PR Part VI and RRS Appendix D2.
- **8.2.** In accordance with D2.2, a boat that protests is not entitled to a hearing. **∓**
- 9. **SCORING:** Scoring will be in accordance with ISSA PR 11.
- 10. **SAFETY:** A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee either before leaving the course, or if that is not possible, immediately after arriving ashore.