NWISA Fleet Race Championships May 10-11, 2025 Cascade Locks, OR

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES:

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing and the ISSA Procedural Rules.
- 1.2. Under ISSA PR 18(a), the right of appeal is denied.
- 1.3. The US Sailing prescriptions to rule 63.1 are deleted and will not apply.
- 1.4. Races will be judged according to the guidelines for Rule 42 enforcement in Appendix 8 of the ISSA PR.
- 1.5. Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, as modified by ISSA Procedural Rule 13(c) will be in effect.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Official notices will be posted on the official notice board located on the side of the CGRA office.
- 2.2 Changes to the sailing instructions shall be posted no later than one hour prior to the first warning signal on the day it will take effect.

3. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 3.1 Signals made ashore shall be displayed from the flagpole on the point at the entrance to the marina. Postponement may also be communicated verbally to coaches over the designated VHF channel.
- 3.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 20 minutes" in the race signal AP.

4. THE START

- 4.1 The start line will be between a staff on the race committee boat displaying an orange flag and an orange buoy located to port.
- 4.2 Races will start in accordance with ISSA PR 7.9.

4.3 Per ISSA PR 7.9(b), the verbal hailing of boats OCS is only a courtesy. The race committee may attempt to hail any boat it identifies as OCS. The volume, order, timeliness, or absence of a verbal hail shall not be grounds for redress.

4.4. In accordance with ISSA PR 7.9(c), general recalls will be signaled by a series of short whistles. After a general recall, the round-the-ends provision of RRS 30.1 shall automatically apply. The I-Flag need not be displayed (Changes RRS 30.1).

5. COURSE AND MARKS

- 5.1 The race committee will indicate the course on a whiteboard affixed to the signals boat. It may also be announced verbally prior to the warning signal and may continue to repeat the course during the starting sequence.
- 5.2 A description of courses and marks are found in the attached course diagram pages. Any significant deviation from the marks shown in these diagrams shall be announced at the skipper's meeting.
- 5.4 If a gate mark is missing, or no longer on station, competitors shall round the remaining mark to port.

6. THE FINISH

- 6.1 The finish line shall be between a race committee vessel displaying a blue flag and an orange buoy to port.
- 6.2 After finishing the final race of a set, competitors shall sail directly to the beach where rotations will take place.
- 6.3 The race committee reserves the right to finish a boat, or boats, in place if they are impeding the progress of the regatta and the finishing order is clear.

7. PROTESTS

- 7.1 Protest procedure and 30 minute time limit will be in accordance with ISSA PR Part VI.
- 7.2 Protest forms will be available at the office window.
- 7.3 Protest hearings will be held as soon as practicable, which may include between rotations. Protests shall be heard immediately following racing for up to one hour following racing on Saturday. Additional protests may be heard ahead of racing Sunday morning.

8. SCORING

- 8.1 The regatta will be scored in accordance with ISSA Procedural Rule 9.
- 8.2 Teams failing to enter Record of Participation (RP) information on TechScore by the end of the protest time limit on Sunday shall be assessed an automatic penalty in accordance with PR 4.3(a).

9. BREAKDOWNS and DAMAGE

- 9.1 Breakdown requests shall be filed in the same manner as protests.
- 9.2 Breakdowns shall be scored in accordance with ISSA PR 9(e). Compensation shall be consistent with the guidelines listed in ISSA PR Appendix 3.
- 9.3 All damage, no matter how minor, shall be reported to the Race Committee, or representative of the host organization, as soon as practicable.
- 9.4 A compulsory protest hearing shall be initiated by the Race Committee when there is a collision that results in serious damage or injury.

10. SAFETY

- 10.1 Competitors shall wear a USCG-approved PFD per ISSA PR2.2.
- 10.2 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 at the rotation dock.
- 10.3 Per RRS 3, it is the decision of each boat to race, or continue racing. However, the race committee reserves the right to send ashore any boat that it considers to be a danger to itself or others.
- 10.4 Competitors shall not impede commercial traffic. Competitors shall comply with any instructions given by safety boats. Any competitor which interferes with the safe passage of commercial traffic or fails to follow directions issued by a safety boat shall be protested by the Race Committee.

Course Diagram A (Windward/Leeward Modified) Course A: Start, 1, 2, 3P/3S, Finish All marks rounded to port except gates. Not to scale. All angles approximate.







