

2026 SEAHAWK INVITATIONAL
April 25, 2026
SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES:

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, the [ISSA Procedural Rules](#) and the ISSA National Championship General Conditions and the Scholastic Dinghy Class Rules.
- 1.2. In accordance with RRS 70.3(b), decisions of the protest committee are final. US SAILING's permission has been granted.
- 1.3. The Organizing Authority (OA) is the New England Sailing Association (NESSA) in conjunction with hosts.
- 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 Chief Judge 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 and the ISSA Code of conduct (Appendix 1, ISSA PR)

4. SCHEDULE:

- 4.1. Report time is listed in NOR #6 Schedule
- 4.2. The number of races will be at the discretion of the regatta chair.
- 4.3. Rotation schedules and boat assignments will be posted on Tech Score after the sailor's meeting.

5. COURSES AND MARKS:

- 5.1. Courses will be in accordance with ISSA PR 7.8
- 5.2. The race committee may designate course selection orally.
- 5.3. All marks will be **RED BALLS**.

6. START/FINISH AND SIGNALS:

- 6.1. Races will start in accordance with ISSA PR 7.9.
- 6.2. The start/finish line will be between a flag on the race committee boat and a mark.

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 9(e). Compensation shall be consistent with ISSA PR Appendix 5.

8. **PROTESTS:** Protests procedure will be in accordance with ISSA PR Part VI

9. **SCORING:** Scoring will be in accordance with ISSA PR 9.

10. **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.

11. **PRIZES:** The top finishers will receive a firm hand shake and a hearty "well done." Everyone else will get nothing.