



ISSA High School Team Race Championship

for the

Toby Baker Trophy

To be held at

Christchurch School

49 Seahorse Lane, Christchurch, Virginia 23031

May 15-17, 2026

NOTICE OF RACE

The notation '[DP]' in a rule means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than DSQ. The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule nor request redress based on that rule. This changes RRS 60.1 and 61.1.

1. RULES:

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, including Appendix D as modified by the ISSA Procedural Rules, the ISSA Procedural Rules, the ISSA Code of Conduct (PR Appendix 1), the ISSA National Championship Regatta Conditions (PR Appendix 3), and the Scholastic Dinghy Class Rules (ISSA PR Appendix 2).
- 1.2. The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Interscholastic Sailing Association in conjunction with the MASSA Interscholastic Sailing Association, Virginia Interscholastic Sailing Association, and host venue Christchurch School.
- 1.3. All races will be umpired.
- 1.4. RRS D2.1(b) applies. A boat that protests under a rule listed in rule D2.2 or D2.3 for an incident while racing shall hail 'Protest' and display a red flag and is not entitled to a hearing. This changes rules 60.2(a)(1) and 63.2(a).
- 1.5. Teams shall provide their own red protest flags (at least 3). Each flag shall measure at least 8 inches by 8 inches. Flags will not be affixed to the boat. [NP]

2. **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:** The sailing instructions will be posted on Tech Score prior to the report time for the regatta.

3. COMMUNICATION:

- 3.1. The online official notice board will be Tech Score.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. Competing schools and competitors must be members of ISSA and meet ISSA eligibility rules as prescribed in the Procedural Rules.

- 4.2. Selection of competing schools within each district will be by district elimination. The regatta has 12 berths. Allocation of berths to districts will be determined by the ISSA Board using ISSA PR Appendix 3.2. Schools should contact their district directors to find out details on district qualifiers.
- 4.3. Eligible schools and sailors must enter by completing the ISSA Baker Google Commitment Sheet, and paying regatta fees via the paypal link on the registration form by 1700 hrs on Wednesday April 30, 2026. If the elimination for your league is to be held after this date, your director should contact the regatta chair (Joan Patterson), and the MASSA district director (Randall Nunn) immediately so arrangements can be made.
- 4.4. Registration form can be found on the ISSA Website.
- 4.5. Registration is considered a firm commitment to attend the event. Teams unable to compete after registering must notify the regatta chair (Joan Patterson) and MASSA Director (Randall Nunn) as soon as possible.
- 4.6. ISSA will reallocate vacant district quotas. The first open allocation will go to the host district. A berth becomes vacant when the qualifying district becomes unable to fill the berth by the registration deadline. Every effort will be made to fill the vacated berth up to and including the day before the event. This changes National Championship Regatta Conditions 9.1 (ISSA PR Appendix 3).

5. FEES:

- 5.1. The entry is (\$800.00) per school. This includes (snacks, light meal each evening, and small giveaway) for up to 10 people/team. This fee is to be paid via paypal as linked on the registration. Registration will not be considered complete until the form is complete and the fee is paid.
- 5.2. A damage deposit of (\$1000.00/team) must be submitted via check at registration on the first day of the regatta. Please note the team name in the subject line. This is refundable. If the boat and gear are returned undamaged, the check will be returned at the end of the event. In the event damage cannot be attributed to a particular team, the repair costs will be divided evenly amongst all the competing teams.

6. BOATS:

- 6.1. 18 2024 Zim e420's and 18 2018 Zim FJ's will be provided by the host. Boats will be sailed as provided.

7. SCHEDULE:

Friday

1:00 - Registration/Check in

1:30 - Competitors meeting

2:00 - First warning

There is no cutoff time for racing on Friday.

Saturday

8:30 - Report time

9:00 - Competitors' meeting

First warning - As soon as possible after the competitors' meeting.

There is no cutoff time for racing on Sat.

Sunday

8:30 - Report time

9:00 - Competitors' meeting

First warning - As soon as possible after the competitors' meeting.

3:00 PM - No race will start after this time, except for any sail-offs, if needed.

Trophy presentation in front of the sailing center immediately following the stowing of boats.

Changes to the schedule will be posted on the official notice board.

8. RACING/SAILING AREA: All races will be sailed on the Rappahannock River in front of the Christchurch Sailing Facility.

9. TRAVEL AND HOUSING:

9.1. Competitors traveling by air should use Newport News/Williamsburg International Airport or Richmond International Airport.

9.2. Each team must provide its own housing. Please use online apps to find MANY housing options in the area.

10. COACHING:

10.1. ISSA PR Appendix 3 5.1 applies. Once a school has qualified for a National Championship, school leaders, chaperones, coaches, parents, advisors and other support personnel shall not go afloat in the sailing area starting one day prior to the regatta report time until the end of the regatta unless explicitly permitted by the ISSA Representative. 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.

10.2. ISSA PR Appendix 3 5.2 applies. Once a school has qualified for a National Championship, members of that team shall not go on the water within the sailing area, unless that sailing area is their school's home water or there is a previously scheduled ISSA regatta. The penalty for failing to comply with this requirement may be cause for disqualification of the team from the event.

11. PRIZES:

11.1. Prizes will be awarded to schools placing 1st, 2nd and 3rd in the regatta. The top team will have its name engraved on the perpetual Baker Trophy, currently on display at the USNA Robert Crown Sailing Center.

12. RIGHTS TO USE NAME, IMAGE, AND LIKENESS (NIL): ISSA PR 5.3 shall apply.

13. 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 3, Decision to Race and ISSA PR 1.3. Each team's Responsible Adult certifies by completing the event registration and attending the event that all team members (and their Parents or guardians), coaches, and all team personnel agree to the following statement:

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, parent, coach, and all team personnel 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.

14. REGATTA CONTACTS:

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