

2025 Fall MASSA TEAM RACING CHAMPIONSHIP

Hosted by

Gibson Island Yacht Squadron/SSA/Severn

1703 Skippers Row, Gibson Island, MD 21056

April 25-26

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES:

1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, the [ISSA Procedural Rules](#), the [ISSA National Championship General Conditions](#) and [the Scholastic Dinghy Class Rules](#), the MASSA Supplemental Rules, and the the MASSA Code of Conduct. In the event of a conflict between the governing documents and the Sailing Instructions, the latter shall take precedence.

1.2. The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Mid-Atlantic Interscholastic Sailing Association and the Maryland Interscholastic Association in conjunction with host venue Severn Sailing Association/Annapolis Sailing School

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

3. **COMMUNICATION:** The online official notice board will be Tech Score.

4. ELIGIBILITY:

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

4.2. Selection of competing schools will be by league elimination. The regatta has 10 berths. Allocations will be determined by the MASSA board. Schools should contact their league directors to find out details on district qualifiers.

4.3. Eligible schools and sailors must enter by MASSA District Google Commitment Sheet/Registration form, and by confirming registration with the regatta chairperson by **5:00 PM on Wednesday, April 22nd, 2026**.

4.4. Registration form can be found on the MASSA Website schedule page.

4.5. Registration is considered a firm commitment to attend the event. Teams unable to compete after registering must notify the regatta chair and MASSA Director as soon as possible. They will then forfeit the berth in the next MASSA event that they are eligible to compete in.

4.6. MASSA will reallocate vacant district quotas. The first open allocation will go to the host League. A berth becomes vacant when the qualifying League becomes unable to fill the berth.

5. FEES:

5.1. There will be no fee or damage deposit for this event.

6. **BOATS:** 12 420E's and 6 FJ's will be provided by Severn School. Boats will be sailed as provided.

7. SCHEDULE:

Saturday

8:30 - Report time/Rigging of Boats

9:00 - Competitors meeting

First Warning time will be announced at the competitor's meeting.

There will be no cutoff for racing on Saturday

Sunday

8:30 - Rigging of boats

First Warning - as soon as reasonably possible after launching

2:00 - No Warning Signal will be made after this time aside from sail-off to break a tie.

Awards - immediately after all gear is properly stowed.

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

- 8. RACING AREA:** All races will be sailed either in the Magothy River or on the Chesapeake Bay at "The Point on Gibson Island".

- 9. COACHING:**
 - 9.1. Team leaders, chaperones, coaches, parents, advisors and other support personnel shall not go afloat in the sailing area from the start of registration time on Friday until the end of the regatta unless explicitly permitted by the regatta chair. 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.
 - 9.2. ISSA National Championship Regatta Conditions (PR Appendix 3) – Rule 5 applies. Once a team has qualified for a National Championship, members of that team shall not sail at the site to be used for the event, unless that site is their School's home waters or there is a previously scheduled ISSA regatta. Violation of this condition may be cause for disqualification of the team from the event.

- 10. UMPIRES:**
 - 10.1 RRS D2 shall apply for all races.

- 11. PRIZES:** Prizes will be awarded to schools placing 1st, 2nd and 3rd in the regatta.

- 12. 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.

- 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.

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.

14. REGATTA CONTACTS:

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