



MDISA Fleet Race Qualifier
SCC is the Organizing Authority
Hosted by
Sailing Center Chesapeake
18-19 April 2026

Notice of Race

1 RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2025-2028 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the 2025-2028 ISSA Procedural Rules, the notice of race and these sailing instructions. In an event of a conflict between governing documents and the sailing instructions, the sailing instructions shall take precedence.

1.1 RRS Appendix P is in effect per PR14(c).

1.2 RRS Appendix P is in effect modified per ISSA Procedural Rule 14(c).

1.3 The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Mid-Atlantic Interscholastic Sailing Association in conjunction with the Maryland Interscholastic Sailing Association (MDISA), and Sailing Center Chesapeake.

2 ELIGIBILITY

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

2.2 In accordance with ISSA PR 1.3, teams must be accompanied by a designated adult team leader, who may be an advisor, coach or parent recognized by the school.

2.3 Selection of competing schools will be by individual league qualifying rules. The regatta has 18 berths.

3 ENTRY AND COMMUNICATIONS

Eligible schools must enter by emailing the MDISA Chair by April 16th at 9pm.

4 ENTRY FEE & DAMAGE DEPOSIT

There will be no entry fee or damage deposit. Please note these are new to SCC boats, so care is requested.

5 BOATS

CFJ's will be provided by Sailing Center Chesapeake. Boats will be sailed as provided.

6 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday, 18 April

Report Time	0830
Competitors' Meeting	0900
First Warning	0930 (approximately)

There is no cut-off time for racing on Saturday.

Sunday, 19 April

Report Time	0830
First Warning	0930
No Race Start After	1400

6 COURSES AND MARKS

- 6.1 Standard **W4** course, with a windward offset and leeward gate above the start/finish line, will be utilized unless conditions require, or the race committee see fit to alter. A **W3** (or **W5**) course may be used to facilitate rotations by finishing near the rotation site.
- 6.2 The course to be sailed will be announced orally and taken from the course diagrams posted on the Techscore notice board and on these Sailing Instructions (appendix 1).
- 6.3 All rounding marks will be orange. The start finish marks will be orange or red balls.
- 6.4 In accordance with ISSA PR 7.8(c), after the starting signal, the race committee may change the position of any mark to maintain course configuration, if no boat is on that leg of the course. No signals are required (changes RRS 33).

7 SAFETY

- 7.1 Competitors shall wear inherently buoyant personal flotation devices designated as USCG "wearable" in accordance with ISSA PR 2.2. Inflatable type PFDs are not permitted.
- 7.2 The race committee may require the use of drysuits or full-length wetsuits if the combined air and water temperature is below 120 degrees. This may be announced at the daily competitors' meeting, and need not be signaled.
- 7.3 Failure to comply with 12.1 or 12.2 above will be grounds for disqualification from all races sailed in contravention of those instructions.
- 7.4 Team pinnies must be worn per ISSA PR 2.4. A 20-point penalty will be applied to the division in which the sailors did not comply. No hearing is required.
- 7.5 Competitors shall supply the equipment to meet the requirements of 7.1, 7.2, and 7.3 above.
- 7.6 At its discretion, the Race Committee or Organizing Authority may require a competitor to retire from racing if the competitor is determined to be a risk to their own or other's safety.

8 COACHING

- 8.1 Coaches, team leaders, chaperones advisors, parents, or other support personnel shall not go afloat in the sailing area on the published dates of the regatta, unless explicitly permitted by the regatta chairperson. The penalty for failing to comply with this requirement may be the disqualification of all boats, competitors, and teams associated with the infringing personnel.
- 8.2 Coaches, team leaders, chaperones, advisors, parents, or other support personnel may go afloat in the sailing area while serving as an umpire or assisting with race management.
- 8.3 Competitors may receive coaching, including instruction, assistance, equipment, or sustenance, only while ashore.

9 TROPHIES

No trophies will be awarded.

10 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 4, 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.

11 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.

12 CONTACTS

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13 ANNOUNCEMENT

No contestant shall use, either on or off the water, alcoholic beverages (beer, wine, or distilled spirits, each as defined in Chapter 51 of the US Internal Revenue Code and intended for beverage use), or marijuana, cocaine, or any other controlled substance (as defined in 21 US Code 802), the possession of which, by that contestant is unlawful under 21 US Code 841. Infringements of this regulation and/or other discipline expectations occurring during April 20 and 21, 2024 may be the basis for a hearing under RRS 69.1. The protest committee for such a hearing shall be the regatta chairperson, a member of the ISSA BOD, and the protest committee chairperson. This protest committee shall, at a time and place selected by them, meet to hear said protest, and at their decision to impose scoring penalties, or other sanctions they alone deem appropriate, including summary removal from the regatta, shall be final, without appeal.