

2024 Fall MASSA Cressy Qualifier

To be held at

Norfolk Yacht and Country Club

7001 Hampton Blvd., Norfolk VA 23505

Sept. 14-15, 2024

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 Scholastic Dinghy Class Rules](#), the MASSA District Supplemental Rules and the MASSA Code of Conduct. If there is a conflict between the NOR, any NOR amendment and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions will take precedence.
- 1.2. The Organizing Authority (OA) is the MidAtlantic Interscholastic Sailing Association in conjunction with host league Virginia Interscholastic Sailing Association and host venue Norfolk Yacht and Country Club.
- 1.3. Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, as modified by ISSA Procedural Rule 14(c) will be in effect.
- 1.4. The US Sailing Prescriptions to RRS 63.1 and 63.2 shall not apply.
- 1.5. In accordance with RRS 70.5(a) decisions of the protest committee are final, and US Sailing permission has been granted.

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 protest committee and the MASSA Representative and posted no later than one half hour prior to the first warning signal on the day it will take effect.

3. **MASSA OF CONDUCT:** The MASSA Code of Conduct will apply to all sailors, coaches, parents and spectators participating and attending our events.

4. SCHEDULE:

- 4.1. Report times each day are listed in the NOR.
- 4.2. The number of races each day will be at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 4.3. This is a BYOB event. There will be no rotation.

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. Rounding marks will be orange balls. The start and finish pins will be a white balls.

6. START/FINISH AND SIGNALS:

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

7. FORMAT:

7.1 The committee will attempt to complete 12 races. Preference is to complete 8 races on Saturday, and 4 on Sunday.

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

8.1. Video, data and/or photographs taken from any source shall not be presented by the competitors as evidence at protest hearings. This changes RRS 63.6.

9. BREAKDOWNS:

9.1. Procedural Rule 9.e.(iv) is changed as follows: Limit on Redress for Breakdowns - The award of breakdown points (BKD) to a boat shall be limited to two per division when six or more races are sailed and one per division when fewer than six races are sailed.

9.2. Breakdown requests shall be filed in the same manner as protests.

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

11. 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.

12. COACHING:

12.1. ISSA PR 8 will apply. Coaching will take place from shore or a host provided boat.

12.2. The race committee will have snacks and water available on the water near the start line. This changes ISSA PR 8(a).

13. REGATTA CONTACTS:

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