



MASSA 2024 Fall Fleet Championship

Hosted by **Youth Sailing Virginia**
381 Fenwick Rd, Fort Monroe, VA 23651

Oct. 19-20, 2024

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](#) and [the Scholastic Dinghy Class Rules](#).
- 1.2. The Organizing Authority (OA) is the MASSA District, in conjunction with the Virginia Interscholastic Sailing Association and host venue Youth Sailing Virginia.
- 1.3. Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, as modified by ISSA Procedural Rule 14(c) will be in effect.
- 1.4. In accordance with RRS 70.5(a), decisions of the protest committee are final, and US Sailing permission has been granted.

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. The on-site Official Notice Board will be on the white board on the south side patio of the club.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 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 18 berths. Allocations will be determined by the MASSA Board using the standard allocation calculations. Schools should contact their league directors to find out details on league qualifiers.
- 4.3. Eligible schools must enter by submitting their team's contact information in the **Google Registration Sheet by 1700 hrs on MONDAY OCT 7th**. If the elimination for your league is to be held after this date, please have the league director contact the regatta chair immediately so arrangements can be made.
- 4.4. REGISTRATION LINK:
<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1DxqVEslkdbGqWcRjDgiqo3M1-tZ88S-3U3WbO5J3N9o/edit?usp=sharing>
- 4.5. Teams unable to compete must notify the regatta chair and MASSA as soon as possible.
- 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:** There will be no entry fee.

6. **BOATS:** A fleet of 18 2019 Laser Performance FJs will be provided by the host. Boats will be sailed as provided.

7. **SCHEDULE:**

Friday,

There will not be a practice session on Friday.

Saturday

0830 hrs - Check in/Registration/Rigging of boats

0915 hrs- Competitors' Meeting

First Warning - As soon as possible after competitors' meeting

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

Sunday

0830 hrs - Rigging of boats

0930 hrs - First Warning

1400 - No race will start after this time

Trophy presentation will be at the covered area with picnic tables underneath immediately following the stowing of boats.

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

8. **RACING AREA:** All races will be sailed in Mill Creek adjacent to the Youth Sailing Virginia pier.

9. **COACHING AND VENUE RESTRICTIONS:**

9.1. Team leaders, chaperones, coaches, parents, advisors and other support personnel shall not go afloat in the sailing area (all of Mill Creek) from Friday, Oct 18th 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. Once a team has qualified for a District Championship, members of that team shall not go on the water within the sailing area, as defined in the NOR for the event, unless that sailing area 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. **PRIZES:** Prizes will be awarded to schools placing 1st, 2nd and 3rd in the regatta.

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. 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.

13. REGATTA CONTACTS:

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