

2026 Roy Williams Invitational
Hosted by
St. George's
Fort Adams Newport, RI
Saturday and Sunday, October 10th and 11th, 2026

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 [ISSA National Championship General Conditions](#) and [the Scholastic Dinghy Class Rules](#).
- 1.2. In accordance with RRS 70.5(a), decisions of the protest committee are final. US SAILING's permission has been granted.
- 1.3. The Organizing Authority (OA) is the St. George's Sailing Team in conjunction with NESSA.
- 1.4. Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, as modified by ISSA Procedural Rule 14(c) will be in effect.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY:

- 2.1. **Article K, section 3 Qualification** is in effect, as this is a qualifier for the Atlantic Coast Championship Regatta in November.
- 2.2. Schools qualify through the identified ACC pre-qualifying regattas
- 2.3. Eighteen (18) berths are available
- 2.4. Teams that have registered and are unable to compete must notify the regatta chairperson as soon as possible. Any withdrawal later than 72 hours before the report time for the event will result in that team losing the right to compete in the Roy Williams Invitational Regatta and to register for any events hosted by St. George's for 1 year.

3. ENTRY FEE: \$20 per school payable by cash or check made out to *St. George's School*

4. SCHEDULE:

4.1. Saturday:

- 4.1.1. 1200 – Check-in/rigging of boats
- 4.1.2. 1220 – Competitor's Meeting (with racing to follow immediately after)
Racing will continue throughout the day

4.2. Sunday:

- 4.2.1. 0900 – Check-in/rigging of boats
- 4.2.2. 1000 – First warning

- 4.2.3. 1500 – No first warning for A division races may start after this time, except if the regatta is not “official” yet, in accordance with the ISSA PR in which case, racing will continue until the regatta is “official”

5. **FORMAT:** A and B Division will be racing in Zim FJs.
6. **RACING AREA:** Newport Harbor in close proximity to Fort Adams.
7. **COURSES:** The Race Committee will determine the courses as prescribed in ISSA PR 7.7.
8. **SCORING:** The regatta will be scored in accordance with ISSA Procedural Rules.
9. **COACHING:**
 - 9.1. Team leaders, chaperones, coaches, parents, advisors and other support personnel shall not go afloat in the sailing area from the time they arrive at the regatta site until the regatta is done 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 PR 8 defines other coaching limitations and obligations.
10. **PRIZES:** The top four (4) teams will qualify for the Atlantic Coast Championship.
11. **RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS:** ISSA PR 5.3 addresses NAME, IMAGE, AND LIKENESS.
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 CONTACT:**

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