



**SSPP Fleet Race**  
**at Tred Avon Yacht Club**  
**Hosted by Saints Peter & Paul School**  
**Saturday March 24, 2018**

1. RULES

The regatta will be governed by the RRS, ISSA PR, the NOR and the SI's. If any conflict the SI's take precedence.

2. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRIES

2.1 This event is open to Varsity teams that compete in MDSA and meet ISSA eligibility rules as prescribed in the Procedural Rules as modified by the MASSA Procedural Rules.

2.2 The event is limited to teams from 18 schools.

2.3 There is no entry fee for the regatta.

3. SCHEDULE

Saturday, September 30th

Report Time	0850
Competitors Meeting	0900
First Warning	0920
No Race Start After	1600

4. FORMAT

4.1 A complete rotation will be attempted.

4.2 Two "A" Division races will be sailed followed by two "B" Division races, unless an odd number of races are sailed by each division.

4.3 The Race Committee has the option of sailing three races in one rotation thus modifying the posted rotation.

## 5. BOATS & EQUIPMENT

- 5.1 Flying Juniors will be provided. Competitors shall not modify any boat or cause them to be modified in any way without consent of the race committee. Competitors have the option of rigging the mainsheet purchase either 3:1 or 4:1.
- 5.2 The standing rigging shall not be adjusted without consent of the race committee.
- 5.3 The penalty for infringing 5.1 or 5.2 will be disqualification from all races sailed in contravention of those instructions.
- 5.4 Competitors shall report all damage or loss of equipment, however slight, to the dock/ boat committee immediately after arriving on shore or the Race Committee Boat on the water.
- 5.5 Breakdowns will be decided using ISSA Procedural Rules. Loss of cotter pins and rings will not be considered a breakdown. Failure of knots (except the head of the main when it was determined there was not an opportunity to check it) will not be considered as a breakdown.

## 6. ROTATION

The rotation of boats will be in accordance with the rotation sheet provided on TechScore and posted on the regatta notice board.

## 7. RACING AREA

The racing area will be in the Tred Avon River right off the Tred Avon Yacht Club.

## 8. COURSES & MARKS

- 8.1 Course diagrams will be posted on the official regatta notice board. The course will be W4 unless the race committee hails an alternate course prior to the warning signal of a given race.

W4 (start, windward, offset, gate, windward, offset, finish)

- 8.2 Marks will be orange.
- 8.3 Starting and Finishing Marks will be an orange flag on the Race Committee Boat and a white mark.
- 8.4 The Race Committee may change a mark's position before the leading boat has begun the leg leading to that mark. There will be no signal for a course change. This modifies RRS 33.

## 9. STARTING SYSTEM AND RECALLS

9.1 Races will be started in accordance with ISSA PR 7.8.  
(3 minute sound start) except as noted below.

9.2 All recalls will be in accordance to RRS 29.

## 10. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

10.1 A boat must notify the Race Committee immediately after finishing about her intention to protest and must identify the party or parties being protested. This modifies PR 16(b). Protests and requests for redress (including breakdowns) must be submitted to the Race Committee person on shore within 30 minutes of the protestor reaching the dock following the set of races involved in the incident. Forms will be available from the on-shore Committee person.

10.2 Hearings will be held on the shore as soon as possible and may be held between sets of races.

## 11. SCORING

Scoring will be in accordance with ISSA PR 11

## 12. SAFETY

12.1 Competitors shall wear USCG approved Type III or V personal flotation devices (PFDs) at all times while in a boat after departure from the dock until return to the dock. Inflatable type PFDs are not permitted.

12.2 The race committee may require the use of drysuits or full-length wetsuits, if the combined air/water temperature is below 120 degrees Fahrenheit. This may be announced at the daily competitors' meeting, and need not be signaled.

12.3 Failure to comply with 12.1 and/or 12.2 will be grounds for disqualification from all races sailed in contravention of those instructions.

12.4 If the safety of the crew or boat is in jeopardy or if the progress of the regatta is affected, the Race Committee may require a boat to accept assistance and retire from the race.

### 13. SEAMANSHIP

Contestants are expected to handle boats and equipment in a safe and seamanlike manner. Sailing the boats into the dock used for rotations at more than a dead slow speed will be considered unseamanlike. The Race Committee, afloat or ashore will protest such actions. Violation of this provision may be grounds for disqualification from the last race sailed or for excluding a team from any or all of the remaining parts of the event.

### 14. COACHING

14.1 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.

14.2 Coaches, team leaders, chaperones, advisors, parents, or other support personnel may go afloat in the sailing area while assisting with race management.

14.3 Competitors may receive coaching, including instruction, assistance, equipment, or sustenance, only whole on shore or on the docks.

14.4 All support personnel are encouraged to bring their own portable chairs and foul weather gear.

### 15. TRASH DISPOSAL

15.1 Boats shall not put trash in the water. Sailors ashore shall place trash in the appropriate receptacles (Changes RRS 55).

15.2 Breach of this rule will be grounds for disqualification.

### 16. SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND BEHAVIOR

16.1 Participants are expected to act in a sportsmanlike manner at all times on and off the water throughout the entire event.

16.2 Immediately before, during, and immediately after, no contestant shall use, either on or off the water, alcoholic beverages (beer, wine, or distilled spirits, each as defined in Chap 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

or other discipline expectations occurring during the event 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 MASSA Board of Directors, and the protest committee chairperson. This protest committee shall, at a time and place selected by them, meet to hear said protest, and their decision to impose scoring penalties, or other sanctions they alone deem appropriate, including summary removal from the regatta, shall be final, without appeal.

#### 17. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS Part 1- Fundamental Rules, #4, Decision to Race. The organizing Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

#### 18. 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.

### APPENDIX 1

Course W4

