

2021 CONNECTICUT STATE HIGH SCHOOL SAILING CHAMPIONSHIP FOR GIRLS FLEET RACING



Hosted at Grass Island Town Park by the Greenwich High School Varsity Sailing Team
5/23/21

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES:

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of US SAILING, the ISSA Procedural Rules, this Notice of Race, and the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2. The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Fairfield County Sailing League and NESSA Connecticut Group in conjunction with host Greenwich High School Varsity Sailing Team.

2. ELIGIBILITY:

- 2.1. Participating teams that wish to compete for the Girls State Champion title must be members of ISSA and meet ISSA eligibility rules as prescribed in the Procedural Rules, Part III 1. Further, competing teams must also be active members of NESSA that are located within Connecticut. Inactive NESSA members will be refused entry to this regatta during registration.
- 2.2. Composite teams composed of sailors from 2 schools within Connecticut are permitted to compete if all sailors on a composite team's roster comply with ISSA PR 1.2(b). Further, composite teams must designate a responsible adult for the event that complies with ISSA PR 1.3. Composite teams shall not be eligible for being awarded the title mentioned in 2.1.
- 2.3. 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.

3. COVID RESTRICTIONS:

- 3.1. Teams shall be limited to 6 sailors and 1 coach
- 3.2. All competitors, coaches, spectators, and any individual associated with this event in any way shall be required to wear a face covering while on land and within Grass Island Park. Individuals that do not comply with this requirement may be asked to leave and/or withdraw from the event.
- 3.3. Social Distancing shall be maintained by all individuals associated with this event to the greatest extent possible.

4. ENTRY AND COMMUNICATIONS:

- 4.1. There shall be no entry fee for this event

- 4.2. Teams shall register for the regatta by emailing the regatta chairperson. **The entry deadline is 0850 on Sunday, May 23rd.** Registration is not complete until the regatta chairperson responds via email with confirmation of accepted registration.
- 4.3. Teams unable to compete must notify the regatta chairperson as soon as possible.

5. BOATS:

- 5.1. Up to 12 2016 Collegiate 420s with sails that are new for 2021 provided by Greenwich High School Varsity Sailing. Boats will be sailed as provided. Boats and sails shall be evenly matched.
- 5.2. If less than 7 teams enter this regatta, then each team will be provided two boats, with one to be used for A Division races and the other to be used for B Division races. If more than 6 teams enter this regatta, then each team shall be provided with one boat that will be rotated between their A and B Division sailors.
- 5.3. There will be no rotation of boats between teams. Boats will be sailed as supplied.
- 5.4. Competitors are expected to provide their own bailers, and may bring telltales for shrouds

6. SCHEDULE:

Sunday, May 23rd

0900 - Report Time

0900-0930 - Rigging of boats

0930-0945 - Competitors and Coaches Meeting

1020 - First Warning

1450 - No race will start after this time

1530 - Anticipated Departure

- 6.1. Changes to the schedule will be posted on the official notice board located on Tech Score. A link to the notice board will be provided to all eligible teams known to the OA as soon as it is made available.

7. RACING AREA: All races will be sailed within Captain Harbor in Greenwich, CT.

8. COURSES:

- 8.1. It is the firm intention of the race committee to run races on the courses described in ISSA PR 7.8. The preferred course shall be the one noted as, "LA2," on the Course Card provided in the ISSA PRs.
- 8.2. The race committee shall however reserve the right to adjust the course being used without restriction via a verbal announcement on the water prior to initiating a starting sequence.
- 8.3. The race committee shall be obligated to comply with ISSA PRs 7.8(c) and 7.8(d)

9. SCORING: The regatta will be scored in accordance with ISSA Procedural Rules. Scores will be available on TechScore.

10. PROTESTS:

- 10.1. Competitors shall not be obligated to use protest flags.. Participating sailors intending to protest another boat are simply obligated to hail the protested boat as described in ISSA PR 16(a), and to then notify the Race Committee as described in ISSA PR 16(b)
- 10.2. The protest committee will attempt to be comprised of 3 coaches
 - (a) All committee members agree to rule as non "Interested Parties"
 - (b) If a Member feels they cannot rule fairly, they shall excuse themselves.
 - (c) Committee members shall make decisions based on testimony only, and not what they may or may not have witnessed on the water.
- 10.3. In the interest of keeping to a prompt departure schedule, hearings will follow a modified "3 Minute Justice Format"

- (a) Protesting boat has 1 minute to describe the incident to the PC
- (b) Protested boat has 1 minute to describe the incident to the PC
- (c) Protest Committee will make a decision ASAP.
- (d) Parties to the process may not request to reopen the hearing.

11. HOUSING: No housing shall be provided.

12. COACHING:

12.1. Team leaders, chaperones, coaches, parents, advisors and other support personnel shall not go afloat in the sailing area from 0900 until 1515 on Sunday, May 23rd, 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 support personnel.

12.2. It is the intention of the OA to welcome all volunteer personnel with access to a support vessel to assist in running this regatta. However, all reasonable efforts will be made to ensure equal access to coaching/support for all competitors. This may include requiring support personnel to anchor their vessels in restricted areas for periods of time.

13. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST: Coaches for teams in this regatta as well as support persons that are asked to assist in race/event management must agree to act with impartiality in regards to their duties. It is acknowledged that the Regatta Organizer & Event Chair is also one of the coaches that shall participate in this regatta, and for that reason Regatta Organizer & Event Chair must agree to defer any decisions related to his team's best interests to a vote by all other participating adults that are responsible for a competing team. In the event that such a vote results in a tie, the tie will be broken via a game of chance.

14. PRIZES: Formal prizes shall not be awarded. However, the OA shall recognize the teams with the highest finish and the second highest finish that are eligible under 2.1 as the 2021 Connecticut Girls Fleet Racing State Champion and Runner Up, respectively.

15. OFFICIAL NOTICE: No contestant shall use, either on or off the water, marijuana or any other controlled substance, as defined in 21 U.S. Code 802, the possession of which is unlawful under U.S. Code 841, or alcoholic beverages (distilled spirits, wine, and beer, each as defined in Chapter 51 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code and intended for beverage use). An alleged breach of this procedural rule shall not be grounds for a protest. However, when a report is received from any source, alleging such a breach a protest committee consisting of the regatta chairperson, a member of the ISSA Board of Directors, and the chairperson of the protest committee, shall follow the process described in RRS 69.1(b). If a hearing under RRS 69 is held, a competitor found to have breached this procedural rule shall be excluded from the remaining races of the series and, where practical, be removed from the regatta venues and sent home. Additional penalties consistent with RRS 69.2 may be imposed on the competitor or the competitor's team. This regulation is in effect during the entire event from the date and time of arrival through the date and time of departure from the regatta site.

16. 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.

17. 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.

18. REGATTA CONTACTS:

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