

2023 MDISA JV Championship
Hosted by
North East River Yacht Club



May 21, 2023
NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES:

1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of US SAILING, the ISSA Procedural Rules, the MASSA District Supplemental Rules (includes SI's), this Notice of Race, and Addendum to the Sailing Instructions. In the event of a conflict, the Sailing Instructions Addendum will take precedence.

1.2. RRS Appendix P is in effect modified per ISSA Procedural Rule 14(c).

1.3. In accordance with rule 70.5(a), decisions of the protest committee are final. US Sailing's permission has been granted.

1.4. The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Mid-Atlantic Interscholastic Sailing Association in conjunction with the Maryland Interscholastic Sailing Association (MDISA), and North East River Yacht Club.

2. ELIGIBILITY:

2.1. Competing schools must be members of ISSA and MASSA and meet ISSA and MASSA eligibility rules as prescribed in the Procedural Rules, and the District Rules.

2.2. 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.

2.3. Selection of competing schools will be by individual league qualifying rules. The regatta has 16 boats.

3. ENTRY AND COMMUNICATIONS:

3.1. Eligible schools must enter by emailing the MDISA Chair by May 18th at 9pm.

4. ENTRY FEE & DAMAGE DEPOSIT:

4.1. There will be no entry fee or damage deposit.

5. BOATS:

5.1. Club FJ's will be provided by North East River Yacht Club. Boats will be sailed as provided.

6. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Sunday, May 21st

0915 - Coaches Check in

0930 - Competitors Meeting

1000 - Approximate first warning

1500 – No Race Start after that time

6.1. Changes to the schedule will be posted on the official notice board located on Club veranda by the patio door.

7. RACING AREA: All races will be sailed in the waters adjacent to NERYC, in the North East River.

8. EVENT SITE: Sailing activities and restroom breaks will take place at NERYC. There is ample parking at the club. The Tome School will have a Bake Sale and NERYC will offer a reasonably priced Regatta Menu from 11-2pm.

9. COURSES: Based on conditions, the Race Committee will determine the courses as prescribed in ISSA PR 7.7.

10. SCORING: The regatta will be scored in accordance with ISSA Procedural Rules.

11. RECORD OF PARTICIPATION: Teams must complete the online RP forms in Tech Score before noon Monday, May 22nd. Failure to comply will result in 20 points added to their team score for each division with incomplete forms. This modifies the deadline time in ISSA PR 4.3(b).

12. SAFETY:

12.1 Competitors shall wear inherently buoyant personal flotation devices designated as USCG “wearable” in accordance with ISSA PR 2.2. 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 and water temperature is below 120 degrees. This may be announced at the competitors’ meeting, and need not be signaled.

12.3 Competitors, coaches, team leaders, chaperones, advisors, parents, or other support personnel will be required to wear protective footwear when on the docks and while sailing.

12.4 Team pinnies must be worn per ISSA PR 2.4. A 20-point penalty will be applied to the division in which the sailors did not comply. No hearing is required.

12.5 Competitors shall supply the equipment to meet the requirements of 12.1, 12.2, 12.3, and 12.4 above.

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

12.7 At its discretion, the Race Committee or Organizing Authority may require a competitor to retire from racing if the competitor is determined to be a risk to their own or others’ safety.

11. COACHING: Team leaders, chaperones, coaches, parents, advisors and other support personnel shall not go afloat in the sailing area from 0800 Sunday to after racing has ended on Sunday, 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. SEAMANSHIP: Contestants are expected to handle boats and equipment in a safe and seamanlike manner. Sailing the boats up to the dock or landing at more than a dead slow sleep will be considered un-seamanlike. 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.

13. TRASH DISPOSAL:

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

13.2 Breach of this rule will be grounds for disqualification.

14. 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.

15. 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.

16. 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.

17. REGATTA CONTACTS:

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