

Whatcom Sailing Gold Fleet Team Race
NWISA Gold Team Race
April 20th and 21st, 2024
Zuanich Boat Dock, 2600 N Harbor Loop Dr, Bellingham, WA 98225

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES:

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing for 2021-2024, including Appendix D, the prescriptions of US SAILING, the ISSA Procedural Rules, this Notice of Race, and the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2. Races will be umpired per the guidelines and protocols outlined in Section 7 of the ISSA Procedural Rules.
- 1.3. Under rule 70.5(a), the right of appeal is denied.

2. ELIGIBILITY:

- 2.1. This is a backup event for Qualifying/Championship Regatta and only eligible to active, and registered Schools for this event.
- 2.2. Teams shall be accompanied by a designated adult team leader, who may be an advisor, coach or parent recognized by the school.
- 2.3. In the event of Team Race Districts being canceled, called off, or the event doesn't meet qualifying standards, the winner will be considered to advance to the Baker Trophy (National ISSA Team Racing Championship) to represent NWISA.

3. ENTRY:

- 3.1. Teams have registered for the event through the district's sign up Google Sheet.
- 3.2. Teams unable to compete once registration closes shall notify the regatta chair as soon as possible.

4. ENTRY FEE:

- 4.1. The entry fee is \$10/sailor. This includes light breakfast and snacks both days

5. BOATS:

- 5.1. Whatcom Sailing is providing 12 Whitecap FJs
- 5.2. Boat needs shall be determined based on sign-ups

6. SCHEDULE:

Saturday, April 20th 2024
9:30 Report Time; Registration
10:15 Competitors Meeting

11:00 First warning; sailing will continue throughout the day

Sunday, April 21st 2024

9:00 Report Time

10:00 First Warning

15:30 No Starts After

7. RACING AREA & VENUE:

- 7.1. Racing will take place in Bellingham Bay, south of Zuanich Point Park.
- 7.2. Rotations will be held off of the youth sailing dock at Zuanich Point Park, the same place the boats are stored

8. COURSES:

- 8.1. Racing will take place on a digital 'N' course.

9. SCORING and FORMAT:

- 9.1. Race organizers will attempt to complete a double round-robin. After the completion of the 2nd round-robin, the top-four teams will advance to a playoff round consisting of up to three rounds. If conditions and time allow, a consolation round may take place concurrently.
- 9.2. When conditions make the announced format unmanageable, the PRO, Chief Umpire and NWISA representative may alter the format as allowed by the SIs in order to bring the regatta to conclusion and determine a winner.
- 9.3. The regatta will be scored in accordance with ISSA Procedural Rules.

10. VENUE & PARKING

- 10.1. **ADDRESS of the venue is Zuanich Point Park, 2600 N Harbor Loop Dr, Bellingham, WA 98225**
- 10.2. Parking is free
- 10.3. Public bathrooms and water fountain are available at the Squaticum Boathouse to the north end of the park
- 10.4. There is no designated indoor space for this event. Teams are encouraged to bring folding chairs and tents to spectate
- 10.5. Tents can be set up on the south side of the park along the water's edge. Sailors should make sure to stay clear of the walking path.

11. COACHING:

- 11.1. Team leaders, chaperones, coaches, parents, advisors and other support personnel shall not go afloat in the sailing area from Saturday morning to the end of racing Sunday unless an exception has been 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.

12. CONDUCT:

- 12.1. No contestant shall use, either on or off the water, alcoholic beverages (beer, wine, or distilled spirits, each as defined in Chapter 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.
- 12.2. Infringements of this regulation and/or other inappropriate conduct occurring during the regatta, may be the basis for a hearing under RRS 69.1. The protest committee for such a hearing shall, at a time and place selected by it, meet to hear said protest, and it may impose scoring penalties, or other sanctions that it deems appropriate, including summary removal from the regatta.

13. REGATTA CONTACTS:

- 13.1. Regatta Chair: Anna Morrow, coaches@whatcomsailing.com
- 13.2. NWISA Rep: Haley Lahmon
- 13.3. PRO: Scott Wilson