2025 SAISA South Points N°. 4 Mar. 01, 2025 Davis Island Yacht Club, Tampa, FL

Sailing Instructions

Organizing Authority: South Atlantic Interscholastic Sailing Association in conjunction with Davis Island Youth Sailing Foundation

1. Rules

1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing, including the prescriptions of US SAILING, the ISSA Procedural Rules (ISSA-PR), the SAISA Supplemental Rules, the Notice of Race, and these Sailing Instructions.

2. Notices to Competitors

- 2.1. Notices will be posted on the official notice board located on the west exterior wall on the lower level of the Clubhouse.
- 2.2. Changes to the sailing instructions shall be posted no later than 0900 March 1, 2025.
- 2.3. Oral instructions may be given on the water per RRS 90.2(c).
- 2.4. Notices and SI's will be posted on Techscore.

3. Schedule

- 3.1. Saturday, March 01, 2025
 - 0800 Arrival and check-in, boat rigging
 - 0900 Competitors' Meeting
 - 1000 First Warning Signal, Additional Races to Follow

4. Boats

- 4.1. This regatta will utilize competitor-provided boats.
- 4.2. All 420 mainsails shall have a maximum length of the top batten pocket of 43 inches. North Blue Ribbon Sails shall not be used.
- 4.3. Jibs will be provided by the Organizing Authority.

5. Rotations

- 5.1. Teams will sail two races as a set, then swap A & B Divisions using the same boat. NO ROUND-ROBIN ROTATION.
- 5.2. Varsity boats will be identified by the Jib number.
- 5.3. JV boats will be identified by mainsail number.

6. Racing Area

6.1. The racing will be on Hillsborough Bay south of the DIYC Clubhouse.

7. Courses & Marks

- 7.1. Courses will be in accordance with ISSA PR 7.8. See Attachment 1.
- 7.2. The race committee may designate course selection orally. In addition, the race committee may post the course on a whiteboard on the Signal Boat.
- 7.3. All marks will be orange buoys.
- 7.4. In accordance with ISSA PR 7.8(c) after the starting signal, the race committee may change the position of any mark to maintain course configuration, provided that no boat is on that leg of the course. No signals are required (changes RRS 33).

8. The Start and Recalls

- 8.1. Races will be started using the Appendix-U Audible-Signal Racing System as modified by ISSA-PR 7.8(b) after general recalls.
- 8.2. The start line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee signal vessel and either (a) the course side of the starting mark or (b) a staff displaying an orange flag on a vessel at the port end. 8.3. 9.
- 8.3. A boat may not start more than 3 minutes after the starting signal.
- 8.4. Varsity and Junior Varsity will have separate starts.

9. The Finish

- 9.1. The finish line will be between a race committee vessel displaying an orange flag and the starting pin. See Course Diagram Attachment.
- 9.2. If one or more boats are unreasonably delaying the completion of a race, the race committee may finish the boat(s) in place and terminate the race. This changes RRS 35 and A5.

10. Breakdowns

10.1. Since all equipment is provided by each team, no redress shall be given under ISSA Procedural Rule 9(e), except for a breakdown of a jib or mainsail provided by the Organizing Authority. Similarly, competitors are responsible for maintaining and repairing their boats as needed during the event and should not rely on event staff.

11. Penalty System

- 11.1. The penalty systems of rules 44.1, 44.2, ISSA-PR 4.2(c), 14, and 15 will apply.
- 11.2. RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two Turn Penalty is replaced by the One Turn Penalty.

12. Scoring

12.1. Scoring will be in accordance with ISSA Procedural Rules 9 and 11.

- 12.2. Three races must be completed to constitute a regatta in accordance with ISSA Procedural Rule 17.4(c)
- 12.3. Junior Varsity teams will be scored separately from Varsity.

13. Protests

- 13.1. Protests hearings, if any, will take place after all racing is completed following ISSA Procedure Rule 16.
- 13.2. Per Procedural Rule 8(b), competitors shall not communicate with a coach before reporting to the race committee their intent to protest.
- 13.3. Protest forms are available in the Regatta Room, and shall be submitted there.
- 13.4. The protest time limit is 20 minutes after the RC finish vessel docks. This time will be posted.
- 13.5. Notices will be posted immediately after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

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. Competitors may receive coaching, including instruction, assistance, equipment, or sustenance, only while on shore.

15. Safety and Environment

- 15.1. Competitors shall wear USCG approved lifejackets as outlined in Procedural Rule 2.2.
- 15.2. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee either before leaving the course, or if that is impossible, immediately after arriving ashore.
- 15.3. Sailors are required to wear a school pinnie.
- 15.4. Competitors are strongly encouraged to use reusable water bottles.

Attachment 1 - Courses

