



MASSA Spring 2025 Fleet Race Championship and Mallory Qualifier

To be held at

Christchurch School

49 Seahorse Lane, Christchurch, Virginia 23031

May 10-11, 2025

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES:

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, the [ISSA Procedural Rules](#), the ISSA Code of Conduct, the [ISSA National Championship General Conditions](#), [the Scholastic Dinghy Class Rule](#), the MASSA district supplemental Rules, and the MASSA Code of Conduct..
- 1.2. The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Interscholastic Sailing Association in conjunction with the Virginia Interscholastic Sailing Association, and host Christchurch School.
- 1.3. Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, as modified by ISSA Procedural Rule 13(c) will be in effect.
- 1.4. In accordance with RRS 70.5(a), decisions of the protest committee are final, and US Sailing permission has been granted.

2. **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:** The sailing instructions will be posted on Tech Score prior to the report time for the regatta.

3. **COMMUNICATION:** The online official notice board will be Tech Score.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. Competing schools and competitors must be members of ISSA and MASSA and meet ISSA and MASSA eligibility rules as prescribed in the Procedural Rules and MASSA district Supplemental Rules.
- 4.2. Selection of competing schools will be by district elimination. The regatta has 18 berths. Allocations will be determined by the MASSA Board. Schools should contact their league directors to find out details on district qualifiers.
- 4.3. Eligible schools and sailors must enter by completing the [MASSA District Google Commitment Sheet](#), by 1700 hrs on Monday May 15th. If the elimination for your league is to be held after this date, your director should contact the regatta chair immediately so arrangements can be made.
- 4.4. Registration form can be found on the MASSA Website.
- 4.5. Registration is considered a firm commitment to attend the event. Teams unable to compete after registering must notify the regatta chair and MASSA Director as soon as possible. They will then forfeit the berth in the next MASSA event that they are eligible to compete in.

- 4.6. MASSA will reallocate vacant district quotas. The first open allocation will go to the host league. A berth becomes vacant when the qualifying league becomes unable to fill the berth.
5. **FEES:** There will be no entry fee or deposit for this event.
6. **BOATS:** 18 2024 Zim e420's and 18 2018 Zim FJ's will be provided by the host. Boats will be sailed as provided.
7. **SCHEDULE:**

Friday

There will not be a practice session on Friday.

Saturday

8:30 - Check in/registration/Rigging of boats

9:15 - Competitors' meeting

First warning - As soon as possible after the competitors' meeting.

There is no cutoff time for racing on Sat.

Sunday

8:30 - Check in/registration/Rigging of boats

9:30 - First Warning and schedule for the day

2:00 PM - No race will start after this time

Trophy presentation in front of the sailing center immediately following the stowing of boats.

Changes to the schedule will be posted on the official notice board.

8. **RACING AREA:** All races will be sailed on the Rappahannock River in front of the Christchurch Sailing Facility.
9. **COACHING:**
 - 9.1. Team leaders, chaperones, coaches, parents, advisors and other support personnel shall not go afloat in the sailing area from the start of registration time on Friday until the end of the regatta unless 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.
 - 9.2. ISSA General Conditions – Rule 5 applies. Once a team has qualified for a National Championship, members of that team shall not sail at the site to be used for the event, unless that site is their School's home waters or there is a previously scheduled MASSA regatta. Violation of this condition may be cause for disqualification of the team from the event.
10. **PRIZES:**
 - 10.1. Prizes will be awarded to schools placing 1st, 2nd and 3rd in the regatta.
 - 10.2. The top 4 teams will be offered berths at the Mallory National Fleet Race Championship. Teams placing 5-9 will be offered berths at the Phebe Corckran King Memorial Trophy.
11. **RIGHTS TO USE NAME, IMAGE, AND LIKENESS (NIL):** ISSA PR 5 shall apply.
12. **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 34, 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.

13. REGATTA CONTACTS:

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