



COLUMBIA SAILING SCHOOL

MISSA Mallory Championship

3-4 May 2025

Columbia Sailing School

Monroe Harbor, Chicago, IL

Sailing Instructions (SIs)

ABBREVIATIONS

[NP] *Rules that are not grounds for a protest or request for redress by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1-*

1. RULES

- a. The event is governed by the rules as defined in: The Racing Rules of Sailing, the ISSA Procedural Rules and the ISSA Scholastic Dinghy Class Rules, the Notice of Race (NOR), and these Sailing Instructions. Additionally, RRS Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, as modified by ISSA Procedural Rule 13(c) will be in effect.
- b. In the event of a conflict between the governing documents and the Sailing Instructions, the latter shall take precedence.
- c. The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Midwest Interscholastic Sailing Association (MISSA), in conjunction with Columbia Sailing School and the host schools: Jones College Prep, Lane Tech, Lincoln Park, U of C-Lab, and Whitney Young.
- d. **[NP]** Drones shall not be flown in the racing area except as authorized by the OA.
- e. All teams must submit their rosters via Clubspot by 2 May at 1700 CDT. All teams must have an electronic waiver signed by 3 May at 0900 CDT.

2. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

- a. The official notice board will be located under "Notice Board" on TechScore.
- b. When AP flag is displayed shore, "1 minute" is replaced by "30 minutes." This changes RRS Signal AP.
- c. **[NP]** Errors and omissions in courtesy broadcasts are not grounds for a request for redress. **This changes RRS 61.4(b)(1).**
- d. **[NP]** While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data transmissions that is not available to all boats.
- e. **[NP]** Competitors in boats shall not leave the inner Harbor before a Race Committee vessel or a safety vessel.



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3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Official notices, including changes to sailing instructions, will be posted on the official Notice Board. See SI 2(a).
- b. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted:
 - i. By 2000 on the day before a schedule change will take effect or,
 - ii. Before 0915 on the day it will take effect or,
 - iii. In the event of AP posted ashore, no later than 15 minutes before AP is lowered ashore.
- c. Changes to sailing instructions may be made on the water. Oral changes may be given on the water per RRS 90.2(c) using the following procedure:
 - i. The signal boat will hoist code flag Lima (L) with one sound
 - ii. Boats shall come within hailing distance of the signal boat
 - iii. New instructions will be conveyed from RC to competitors via loud hailer or loud voice
 - iv. Oral changes will be made via VHF on Channel 78 as a courtesy to coaches
 - v. Any changes that will affect future races in the series will be posted once ashore.

4. SCHEDULE OF RACES

Saturday, 3 May	
0830	Check-in/Rigging of Boats
0900	Competitors' meeting
0945	First Warning
Sunday, 4 May	
0900	Rigging of Boats
0930	First Warning
1500	No Warning After This Time

5. VENUE AND RACING AREA

- a. The racing area will be either inside Monroe Harbor or the open waters of Lake Michigan, East of the Monroe Harbor entrance, as announced by the RC prior to that day's racing. A change of the location of the racecourse may also be announced on the water.
- b. Please see Appendix B for details on reminders and rules regarding Columbia Yacht Club.



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6. COURSES AND MARKS

- a. Courses will be in accordance with ISSA PR 7.8.
- b. The Race Committee may designate course selection orally which shall be displayed on a signboard.
- c. Marks will be inflatable buoys.
- d. 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. *This changes RRS 33.*
- e. The diagram in SI Appendix A shows the courses.
- f. Mark 1 may have an offset (1a). The single windward mark shall be left to port if both marks are not in place.
- g. Mark 2 will be a gate. If the gate is not in place, the single leeward Mark 2 shall be left to port.

7. THE START, FINISH, AND RECALLS

- a. Races will start in accordance with ISSA PR 7.9(a).
- b. The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- c. Individual recalls will be made in accordance with ISSA PR 7.9(b).
- d. General recalls will be signaled by a series of short sounds. After a general recall, RRS 30.1 shall apply, except Flag I need not be displayed in accordance with ISSA PR 7.9(c). *This changes RRS 30.1.*
- e. The finishing line is between a staff displaying a blue flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end finishing mark.

8. BREAKDOWNS

- a. Breakdown requests for redress shall be filed in the same manner as protests.
- b. Breakdowns shall be scored in accordance with ISSA PR 9(e).
- c. Compensation shall be consistent with ISSA PR Appendix 5.

9. PROTESTS & HEARING REQUESTS

- a. Protest procedure will be in accordance ISSA PR Part VI.
- b. Per ISSA PR 8(b), competitors shall not communicate with anyone other than teammates or other competitors before reporting to the Race Committee their intent to protest.
- c. Protests and requests for redress shall be filed in person on the 1st floor rail deck of Columbia Yacht Club within the appropriate time limit.



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- d. A boat's protest time limit is 30 minutes after the competitor returns to the dock after completion of racing for the day, or 30 minutes after returning to the dock during a postponement after the incident occurred.
- e. Hearings will be held in person at Columbia.

10. CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

- a. Competitors must provide their own dry suits and have them on hand at the venue on each day of racing. The OA may require drysuits to be worn by all competitors; this will be announced on each day of racing.
- b. A competitor's failure to wear a dry suit while racing on a day where drysuits are required by the OA will result in that team's boat being scored DSQ without a hearing for all races in which they competed and did not wear a drysuit.

11. SCORING

- a. The scoring system is as follows: Scoring will be in accordance with ISSA PR 9.
- b. Three (3) races in each division are required to be completed to constitute a regatta.
- c. RP Forms are due no later than 30 minutes after dock time of RC boat at the completion of racing on Sunday, or 30 minutes after the AP over A is displayed on Sunday if competitors are ashore during a postponement.

12. SAFETY

- a. Competitors shall wear USCG-approved life jackets as outlined in ISSA PR 2.2. A drysuit is not a USCG approved life jacket.
- b. [NP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee either before leaving the course or, if impossible, immediately after arriving ashore.

13. FORMAT

- a. The regatta will be a two-division event. The Race Committee will attempt to complete a full rotation.
- b. Rotation schedules and boat assignments will be posted on Tech Score.

14. [DP] COACHING

- a. Each team must have a coach or adult team representative present that will go afloat if racing is outside of the harbor.
- b. Coaches are required to:
 - i. Wear an approved flotation device as required by ISSA PR 2.2.
 - ii. Wear ECOS devices/kill cords on all vessels while afloat.



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- c. Each team must provide their coach boat, which serves as their team's designated coaching platform – as well as method of rotation if rotations are occurring on the water.
- d. Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal to the start until all boats have finished or retired or the Race Committee signals a postponement, general recall, or abandonment.
- e. Coaching may take place 75' away from the finishing area below the finish line and starboard of the signal boat. All coaches shall assist when and where necessary for safety or at the request of the Race Committee. Failure to do so may result in exclusion from the racecourse.
- f. On the water, the Race Committee intends to monitor, and may as a courtesy, communicate with coaches via VHF radio on channel 78. However, all oral changes shall be announced on channel 78 as per 3(c)(iv).

15. ZONE OF PLAY AND SPECTATOR EXCLUSION ZONE

- a. The Columbia dock falls within a Zone of Play – only coaches, athletes, and race personnel are permitted in this area from the beginning of the Competitors Meeting on Saturday until the end of the Protest Filing Period on Sunday.
- b. There will be a spectator exclusion zone of 100 yards around the racecourse. Spectators shall receive 1 warning upon entering this zone, unless directed by a race official. A second entrance shall be cause for a protest by the OA against the individual/any affiliated team(s) under RRS 41 and RRS 60.
- c. Spectator boats not belonging to Columbia Yacht Club members shall not dock on the Columbia Yacht Club dock. This is considering Zone of Play under SI 15(a).

16. RISK STATEMENT

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

17. PRIZES

- a. Prizes will be awarded to schools placing 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in the regatta.
- b. Places 1 through 4 will earn a berth to the Clifford Mallory Trophy. Places 5 through 8 will earn a berth to the Phoebe King Trophy.

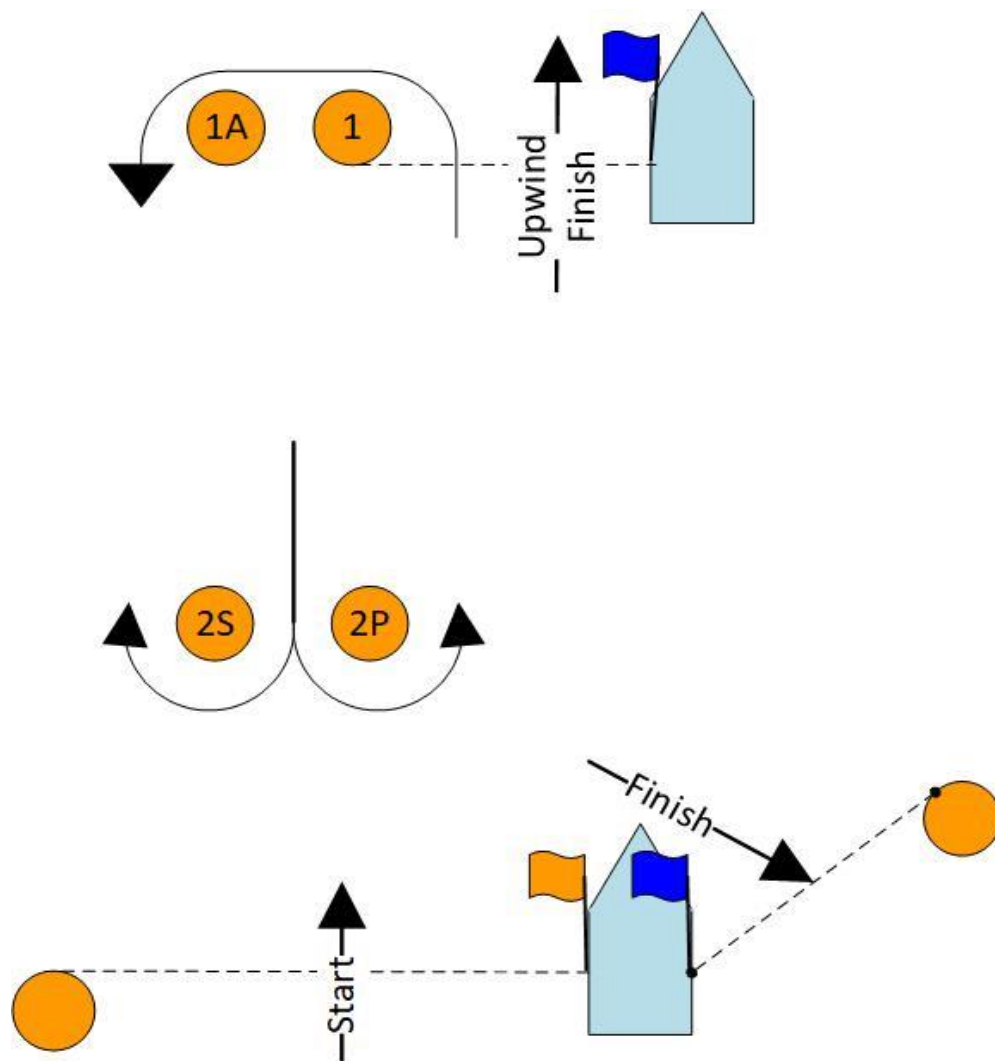
18. FURTHER INFORMATION

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Appendix A



Courses

Start-1-1A-2S/2P-F/W (W3)

Start-1-1A-2S/2P-1-1A-2P-F/L (W4)

Start-1-1A-2S/2P-1-1A-2S/2P-F/W (W5)



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Appendix B

A few important reminders about our venue:

- There is **NO PARKING** for competitors or guests permitted in the Columbia Yacht Club lot. The DuSable Harbor Parking Lot is the closest option, and is located across the street from Columbia Yacht Club.
- The Yacht Club asks that parents, spectators, and visitors **NOT** to take seats on the second-floor restaurant deck unless they intend to sit for a meal at the restaurant.
- Sailors may bring outside food for lunch/snacks. **However, any parents, spectators, visitors should NOT bring outside food.** Food is available to purchase with a credit card from the restaurant and bar for in-house service or to-go.
- All sailors can keep their gear NEATLY along the perimeter of the 1st floor rail deck of the club ship. Sailors should not go upstairs into the lounge, bar, or restaurant area in wet gear.
- There will be no lunch break, so sailors should prepare to bring lunch to eat during their off-sets. A sailor's off-set might be on the water.
- IMPORTANT NOTE: On Saturday, 3 May, there will be festivities scheduled in the upstairs dining areas for the Kentucky Derby. It is also recommended that if you would like to sit indoors to dine on Saturday, you are strongly encouraged to be dressed in "Derby Attire."

If you are bringing a powerboat to launch, please remember there are no facilities to launch at Columbia YC or Monroe Harbor. The closest ramp is Burnham Harbor, immediately south of Monroe Harbor, or Diversey Harbor to the north. Teams may neatly park trailers on the east end of the promenade at Columbia YC, as long as they are on the right (south) side of the promenade as you drive in and not blocking the red Fire Boat.