



2026 Corpus Christi National Invitational Regatta

Corpus Christi Yacht Club, Corpus Christi, Texas

Sailing Instructions



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1. Rules

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028, the prescriptions of US Sailing, ISSA Procedural Rules, SEISA District rules, the Notice of Race, and the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2. The organizing authority (OA) is SEISA in conjunction with CCYC.

2. Notice to Competitors

- 2.1. Official notices including changes to the sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board located in the front window of the Sailing Center near the pool. Changes to the sailing instructions shall be approved by the Protest Committee and posted no later than one half hour prior to the first warning signal on the day it will take effect.
- 2.2. Oral changes to the Sailing Instructions regarding course configurations may be given on the water by the Race Committee. Such oral changes to the Sailing Instructions shall be given before the Warning signal for a race and shall only relate to missing equipment or marks that have moved off station due to weather or other conditions.

3. Schedule

- 3.1. The daily schedule will be published in the Notice of Race.
- 3.2. The number of races sailed each day will be at the discretion of the Regatta Chairperson.

4. Format

This is a single division regatta.

5. Boats

- 5.1. 420s and sails will be provided by CCYC.
- 5.2. Boats will be sailed as provided. Standing rigging shall not be adjusted. Equipment of any kind will not be substituted. Competitors may bring telltales for shrouds.

6. Rotations

- 6.1. Boats are assigned for the entire regatta, no rotations.



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6.2. Substitutions may take place from shore or coach boat as designated by the OA. A coach or other adult support personnel affiliated with the school **must** be present to assist with substitutions.

7. Racing Area

7.1. All races will be sailed in the waters of Corpus Christi harbor or bay.

8. Courses and Marks

8.1. Courses will be run in accordance with ISSA PR 7.8.

8.2. The race committee may designate course selection orally.

8.3. All marks will clearly be identified by the Race Committee prior to the start.

8.4. Courses are specified in Appendix I of these Sailing Instructions. The Start line is **closed** to all boats not starting a race.

9. Shortening and Abandoning Races

9.1. In accordance with ISSA PR 7.8(d) races will not be shortened, they will be abandoned. No signals are required. A race may be abandoned at any time at the discretion of the race committee, in consultation with the protest committee if possible.

10. Start, Finish, and Recalls

10.1. Races will start in accordance with ISSA PR 7.9(a).

10.2. Individual recalls will be made in accordance with ISSA 7.9(b) (X flag).

10.3. General recalls will be signaled with a series of short auditory blasts from a horn or whistle and the 1st substitute flag. After a general recall, the “round the ends” provision or RRS 30.1 will apply except Flag I may not be displayed in accordance with ISSA PR 7.9(b) (changes RRS 30.1).

10.4. The start line will be between the Race Committee boat and the green buoy (pin) to port.

10.5. The leeward finish line will be between the Race Committee boat and the green buoy (pin) to port.

11. Breakdowns

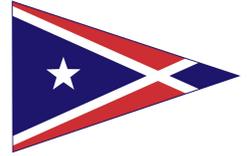
11.1. Breakdown requests shall be filed in the same manner as protests.



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11.2. Breakdowns shall be scored in accordance ISSA PR 9(e). Compensation shall be consistent with ISSA Appendix 3.

12. Protests

12.1. Protest procedure will be in accordance with ISSA PR 16.

12.2. The Race Committee may protest any boat, each day, up to the close of the Protest filing deadline for that same day. Competitors are advised to be available to other competitors and the Protest Committee until the Protest filing deadline has expired.

12.3. Per procedural rule ISSA 8(b), competitors shall not communicate with coaches before reporting to the race committee their intent to protest.

13. Scoring

13.1. Scoring will be in accordance with ISSA PR 9.

14. Coaching

14.1. Coaching will take place from shore, docks, or coach boats at the discretion of the Race Committee. If coaching is afloat, all coaches must have an equal opportunity to be afloat.

14.2. Team leaders, chaperons, coaches, parents, advisers and other support personnel will not go afloat in the sailing area without approval of the Race Committee.

14.3. The Race Committee will staff safety and support boats. Team coaches may be used to staff additional safety boats. Teams may supply their own coach boat. Docks are available and provided on a first-come, first-serve basis.

14.4. Failure to comply with 14.1 or 14.2 will result in the disqualification of the school and all associated teams affiliated with the infringing support personnel.

15. Safety

15.1. Per Procedural Rule 2.2, competitors shall wear USCG approved Type III personal flotation device. Inflatable type life jackets are not permitted.

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.

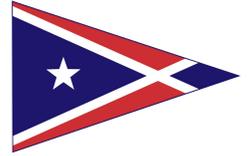


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16. Serious Collisions

16.1. A collision causing damage requiring more than normal maintenance is regarded as serious damage and considered a serious incident. When such damage occurs, the Protest Committee may hold a hearing under RRS's 60.2, 60.3 & 63 to determine the facts and consider whether those involved exercised reasonable care in handling their boats. When the Protest Committee finds that a boat(s) did not, it shall be disqualified, regardless of any alternative penalty(s) accepted under RRS 44.1. In extreme cases, either or both boat(s) may be excluded from the rest of the regatta. (Changes RRS 64.1 (b)).

End of Sailing Instructions



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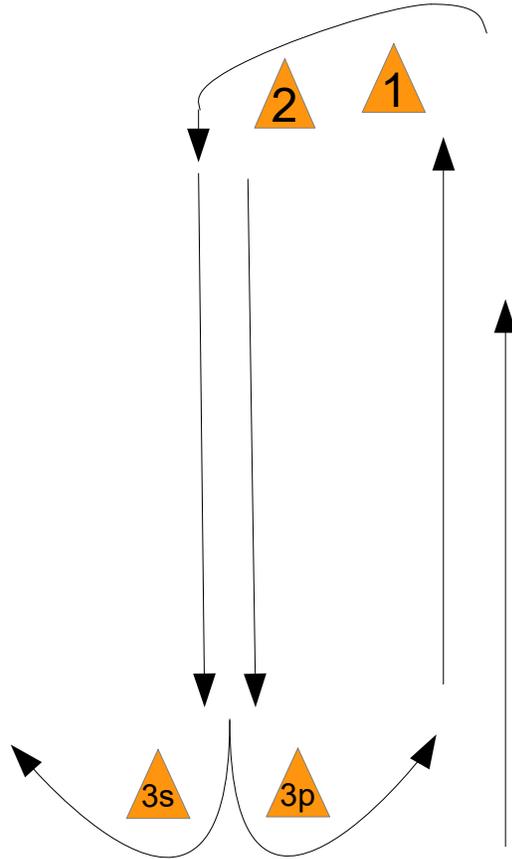
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Appendix I: 420 Course



Windward marks are left to port

Course	Marks
L1	Start - 1 - 2 - 3s/3p - Downwind Finish
L2	Start - 1 - 2 - 3s/3p - 1 - 2 - 3s/3p - Downwind Finish