

2026 Fleet and Team Racing Championship
Qualifier for the ISSA Fleet Racing and Team Racing
National Championship

Hosted by Ursuline Academy at
Community Sailing New Orleans

April 18-19, 2026

Sailing Instructions

I. Rules

- a. 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. In the event of a discrepancy, the Sailing Instructions will take precedence.
- b. RRS Appendix D, as modified by ISSA PR IV 11, is in effect for team racing.
- c. In accordance with Rule 70.5(a) and ISSA PR 18, the decisions of the protest committee are final. US Sailing's permission has been granted.
- d. Rule 60.4(a)(2) is changed as follows: "(2) if it alleges a breach of a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 and is from a boat that was not involved in, and did not see, the incident, or"
- e. Changes to PR 15 (b) "A protesting boat shall, at the first reasonable opportunity after finishing, notify the Race Committee of its intent to protest. Failure to do so makes her protest invalid. This changes rule 60.4."
- f. RRS Appendix P is in effect, as modified per ISSA PR 14.
- g. The organizing authority (OA) is SEISA in conjunction with Ursuline Academy.

II. Notice to Competitors

- a. Official notices including changes to the sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board located in the CSNO classroom
- b. Changes to the sailing instructions shall be approved by the PRO and SEISA Representative, and posted no later than one half hour prior to the first warning signal on the day it will take effect.

III. Schedule

- a. The daily schedule is published in the Notice of Race. The schedule may be modified by the Race Committee in consultation with the PRO and ISSA representative.
- b. The number of races sailed each day will be at the discretion of the Regatta Chairperson.
- c. No race will start after the published time in the NOR, unless an extension is agreed to by all team coaches.

IV. Boats

- a. 420Es will be provided by Community Sailing New Orleans
- b. Boats will be sailed as provided.
- c. Competitors may bring telltales for shrouds.
- d. Mast floats and/or reduced area sails may be required for all boats at the discretion of the Race Committee.

V. Rotations

- a. Fleet Racing: this is a two division regatta with rotation of boats per TechScore assignment.
- b. Team Racing: rounds and flights as posted in Techscore.
- c. Rotations may take place from shore or coach boat as designated by the OA..

VI. Racing Area

- a. All races will be sailed in the waters of Lake Pontchartrain just North or Northeast of the West End Point

VII. Courses and Marks

- a. For Fleet Racing, the W4 course will be used. See ISSA PR Appendix 9. A course diagram is also posted on TechScore
- b. For Team Racing, the Digital N course will be used. See ISSA PR Appendix 10
- c. Individual recalls will be made in accordance with ISSA 7.9 (X flag).
- d. General recalls will be signaled with a series of short auditory blasts from a horn or whistle. 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).

VIII. Breakdowns

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

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

X. Coaching

- a. Coaches and extra sailors are allowed to go afloat in one of the provided Community Sailing New Orleans powerboats or other boats approved by the regatta chair but must stay clear of the racing area while a race is in progress. [Modifies ISSA PR 8(a)]

XI. WAIVER OF LIABILITY:

- b. 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 4, Decision to Race.

- c. 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.

XII. RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS:

- a.. By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the Organizing Authority and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recordings, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.