



**NOTICE OF RACE**  
**Mobile Bay Spring High School Series**  
**March 13 – April 24, 2020**  
**Fairhope Yacht Club**  
**101 Volanta Ave, Fairhope, AL 36532**



**RULES**

- 1.1 The Organizing Authority (OA) is hosted by Fairhope High School and Fairhope Yacht Club.
- 1.2 The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020, the prescriptions of US SAILING, the current Interscholastic Sailing Association (ISSA) Procedural Rules, this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.3 RRS Appendix P will apply as changed by ISSA Procedural Rule 14(c).
- 1.4 "In accordance with rule 70.5(a), decisions of the protest committee are final. US SAILING's permission has been granted."

**2. SAFETY**

- 2.1 All competitors must wear a USCG-approved, wearable lifejacket at all times while on the water, except to quickly change clothing. A team uniform is required, per ISSA PR 2.5 Team Uniforms. This may be a team pinnie worn on the outside of the lifejacket.

**3. ELIGIBILITY**

- 3.1 Competing schools are recommended to be active members of ISSA and meet ISSA eligibility rules as prescribed in the Procedural Rules by entry deadline. For more info, see <http://registration.hssailing.org/>
- 3.2 A team is recommended to meet the eligibility requirements of ISSA PR Part III.
- 3.3 A high school may enter no more than two (2) teams, provided a boat is available.
- 3.3 **RESPONSIBLE ADULT (see PR 1.3 for more info).** Each team must designate an adult (who may or may not be the team coach, but who is not a team member or high school student) who is responsible for the school's team and remain onsite during sailing at each competition.

**4. ENTRY / FEE / COMMUNICATIONS**

- 4.1 Entry deadline is 1600 Central Time on the Friday of each race. Teams may find entry documents at <http://seisa.hssailing.org>. Click on Regatta title to see NOR and Registration documents.
- 4.2 Entry Fee will be \$40 per team for the series.
- 4.3 Make registration checks payable to Fairhope Yacht Club. Registrations may be mailed to:  
Holly Murray  
P.O. Box 1327  
Fairhope AL 36533  
Cell: 228.363.0073, Email: [holly@fairhopeyachtclub.com](mailto:holly@fairhopeyachtclub.com)

**5. DAMAGE DEPOSIT**

- 5.1 Teams must submit a damage deposit of \$60.00 with each entry. The deposit is refundable if the team returns the boat and gear undamaged. In the event the OA cannot attribute damage to a particular team, it will divide the repair costs evenly amongst all competing teams.
- 5.2 Make deposit checks payable to: **Fairhope Sailing Foundation**

**6. BOATS**

The OA will provide Club 420's from Fairhope Yacht Club. Boats will be sailed as provided. Teams **must provide** their own bailers.

## **7. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

### **7.1 Each Friday, beginning March 13, 2020; ending April 24, 2020**

- 1600 Check in and Rigging of Boats.
- 1630 Competitors Meeting (Mandatory)
- 1700 First Warning. Racing will continue for as long as practical.

### **7.2 Friday April 24, 2020**

Trophy presentation following schedule detailed in 7.1.

7.3 The Official Regatta Notice Board will be located under the clubhouse. The OA will post any changes to the schedule on the official notice board under the club by 1600 each race day.

## **8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Sailing instructions will be available during check-in on Friday March 13, 2020 and may be available online at <http://www.seisa.org> prior to the event.

## **9. RACING AREA**

All races will be sailed on the waters of Mobile Bay, west of the FYC Harbor. The Race Committee will announce the location of the signal boat at the Competitor's Meeting.

## **10. SCORING**

- 10.1 The Race Committee will score the regatta in accordance with ISSA Procedural Rules. The committee will not exclude any scores.
- 10.2 Competitors will be able to find scores at [scores.hssailing.org](http://scores.hssailing.org)
- 10.3 In accordance with ISSA PR 4.3, each team is encouraged to complete a Record of Participation at [ts.hssailing.org](http://ts.hssailing.org)
- 10.4 Teams are encouraged to update RP information online throughout the event so friends, family, and spectators watching the scores may see who is sailing for each team.
- 10.5 The series score for each team will be the sum of their best five (5) regatta scores. The lowest series score is the winner.

## **11. RACES/COURSES**

- 11.1 A minimum of two (2) races are required to constitute a valid regatta in the series. Any regatta cancelled due to weather or conditions will not be re-sailed.
- 11.2 The race committee will attempt to run at least four (4) races per regatta.
- 11.3 Courses will follow ISSA PR 7.7. Based on conditions, the Race Committee will determine the courses.

## **12. PROTESTS**

- 12.1. Competitors protesting a boat shall comply with ISSA PR Part VI and RRS 61.1. Failure to do so may be grounds for closing the protest hearing under RRS 63.5.
- 12.2. Competitors shall not communicate with anyone other than competitors involved in the protest before reporting to the Race Committee the intention to file a protest. Having notified the Race Committee of this intent, the competitor shall not communicate with anyone other than competitors involved in the same protest until after the Protest Committee renders a decision. Breaking this rule may be grounds for closing the hearing.
- 12.3. No appeals will be allowed in accordance with ISSA PRs, Part VI, Section 20, (b). and RRS 70.5 (a).

## **13. COACHING – See ISSA PR 8**

A competitor may receive coaching, assistance, equipment or sustenance only while on shore or on the dock. When boats do not return to the dock after each race, the Race Committee may designate an area where all of the above may take place, provided at least one coach from each team has equal

access to the area, which may be a boat or float. Support Person(s) shall not go afloat in the sailing area on personal craft unless also acting as a member of the race committee in which case contact with a competitor shall also be limited to a designated area; otherwise that Support Person shall be allowed to perform duties necessary in running the regatta. 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.

**14. PRIZES**

Trophies will be awarded to the top three teams in series score at its conclusion.

**15. IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL CONTESTANTS**

No contestant shall use, either on or off the water, alcoholic beverages (beer, wine, or distilled spirits, each as defined in Chapter 51 of the US Internal Revenue Code and intended for beverage use), or marijuana, cocaine, or any other controlled substance (as defined in 21 US Code 802), the possession of which, by that contestant is unlawful under 21 US Code 841. Infringements of this regulation and/or other discipline expectations occurring during this weekend may be the basis for a hearing under RRS 69.1. The protest committee for such a hearing shall be the regatta chairperson, a member of the ISSA BOD, and the protest committee chairperson. This protest committee shall, at a time and place selected by them, meet to hear said protest, and their decision to impose scoring penalties, or other sanctions they alone deem appropriate, including summary removal from the regatta, shall be final, without appeal.

**16. RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS**

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.

**17. 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 4, 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.

**18. REGATTA CONTACTS**

Regatta Chair Scott Hartwell – 251.510.1532 – hartwells251@yahoo.com  
SEISA Contacts Holly Murray – Director – 228.363.0073 – holly@fairhopeyachtclub.com