

Eckerd College Team Race Midwinters

Eckerd College, St Petersburg, Florida

December 31 2022-January 2 2023

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES:

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing, the ICSA Collegiate Dinghy Class Rules, the Notice of Race, and these Sailing Instructions. In the event of a conflict between the governing documents and the Sailing Instructions the latter shall take precedence.
- 1.2. The Organizing Authority (OA) is Eckerd College.
- 1.3. A boat intending to protest shall hail protest and "display an open hand".

2. **NOTICE TO COMPETITORS:** Official notices including changes to sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board located at the Eckerd College Boathouse. Changes to the sailing instructions shall be posted no later than one half hour prior to the first warning signal on the day it will take effect.

3. SCHEDULE:

- 3.1. The skippers meeting will be held on December 31st at 1000 hours with a first warning to follow. The first warning on all remaining days will be at 1000 hours unless a change is posted. The number of races each day will be at the discretion of the OA in consultation with the PRO.
- 3.2. No new round will start after 1600 hours on January 2nd.
- 3.3. Rotation schedules and boat assignments will be posted online shortly after the skipper's meeting.

4. COURSES AND MARKS:

- 4.1. The course will be the digital N.
- 4.2. All marks will be inflatables.
- 4.3. 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 (changes RRS 33).

5. START, FINISH, AND RECALLS:

- 5.1. Races will start in accordance RRS Appendix U.
- 5.2. Individual recalls will be made in accordance with RRS Appendix U.
- 5.3. The start line will be between an orange flag on the Race Committee signal boat and a nearby inflatable mark.
- 5.4. The finish line will be between a blue flag on the Finish boat and a nearby inflatable mark.

6. BREAKDOWNS:

- 6.1. Breakdown requests shall be filed in the same manner as protests.
- 6.2. Breakdowns shall be scored in accordance with ICSA Procedural Rules.

7. PROTESTS:

- 7.1. Protests procedure will be in accordance with the NOR and shall be filed once ashore with the designated representative. Three minute justice hearings will be held as soon as possible once both teams are ashore.

8. **SCORING:** Scoring will be announced at the skippers meeting.

9. COACHING:

- 9.1. Coaches, team leaders, chaperones, advisors, parents, or other support personnel shall not go afloat in the sailing area on the published dates of the regatta.

10. SAFETY:

- 10.1. Competitors shall wear USCG approved lifejackets.
- 10.2. 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.

11. FORMAT:

The format for the qualifier will be a Swiss league format with a knockout stage as determined by the OA in consultation with the PRO. At any time during the event, the PRO in consultation with the OA can change or modify the format.

12. TROPHIES:

- 12.1. Prizes will be awarded as per the NOR.