



ICSA Match Racing National Championship
for the
Cornelius Shields, Sr. Trophy
November 20-22, 2016



NOTICE OF RACE



1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

1.1. The Organizing Authority (OA) will be the Intercollegiate Sailing Association (ICSA), College of Charleston Sailing.

2. VENUE

2.1. The venue will be the J. Stuart Walker, Jr. Sailing Complex. 20 Patriots Point, Rd.

3. EVENT GRADING

3.1. The event has applied for ISAF Grade 3. This grading is subject to review by the ISAF Match Race Rankings Sub Committee. The event may be re-graded when there is clear reason to do so.

4. PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

4.1. Schedule

Friday, November 20

Registration and Crew Weighing	0800 – 0900
Competitor’s Briefing/Meeting with Umpires	0900
First warning of Flight 1	1000
Umpire Debriefing	Immediately Following Racing

Saturday, November 21

Competitor’s Briefing	0900
First Warning	1000
Umpire Debriefing	Immediately Following Racing
Event Banquet and Social	1830

Sunday, November 22

Competitor’s Briefing	0900
First Warning	1000
No flight shall begin after 1500.	
Prize giving	1600

4.2. Unless excused by the OA, attendance at competitor’s briefings, umpire debriefings, event banquet and prize giving is mandatory.

5. SKIPPER’S ELIGIBILITY

5.1. Ten skippers will be invited. Only skippers invited by the OA will be eligible to enter this event. The skippers will be selected based upon the conditions of the ICSA Match Racing National Championship.

5.2. The registered skipper shall helm the boat at all times, except in emergency.

- 5.3. To remain eligible a skipper shall confirm acceptance of invitation by returning the entry form, (fax or e-mail is acceptable) to be received by the date specified on the letter of invitation.
- 5.4. All competitors shall meet the eligibility requirements of ISAF Regulation 19.2.
- 5.5. All competitors shall obtain an ISAF Sailor ID by registering online at www.sailing.org/isafsailor. Skippers shall inform the OA of their ISAF Sailor ID at registration.

6. ENTRIES

- 6.1. The skipper shall be entered on completion of registration, crew weighing and the payment of all fees and deposits. All payments shall be made by check, cash, or credit card.
- 6.2. An entry fee of \$350 per team shall be paid at registration.

7. DAMAGE DEPOSIT

- 7.1. An initial damage deposit of \$500 shall be paid at registration, unless extended by the OA. This deposit is the maximum payable by the skipper as a result of any one incident. The damage deposit shall be replenished to \$500 following an assessment of damages by the OA and prior to any further racing.
- 7.2. Any remaining deposit after the event will be refunded within 30 days of the completion of the championship.

8. RULES

- 8.1. The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the RRS, including Appendix C, the ICSA Procedural Rules, the ICSA General Championship Conditions, the ICSA Match Race Championship Conditions, this Notice of Race, and the Sailing Instructions.
- 8.2. Sailing Instructions will be available on the event web-site
- 8.3. The rules for boats, equipment, and the handling of boats will be distributed with the Sailing Instructions, and will also apply to any practice sailing.
- 8.4. RRS 31 is changed to 'While racing, neither the crew nor any part of a boat's hull shall touch a starting mark before starting, a mark that begins, bounds or ends the leg of the course on which she is sailing, or a finishing mark after finishing. In addition, while racing, a boat shall not touch a race committee vessel that is also a mark.'
- 8.5. Add to RRS 41: (e) help to recover from the water and return on board a crew member, provided the return on board is at the approximate location of the recovery.

9. BOATS & SAILS

- 9.1. The event will be sailed in J/22's.
- 9.2. 10 boats will be provided.
- 9.3. The following sails will be provided: Mainsail, Jib and Spinnaker.
- 9.4. Boats will be assigned by random draw. Different boats will be assigned for each day of racing. Condition or assignment of boats or sails shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a)
- 9.5. Boats will be checked in and checked out in accordance with the host procedures. Skippers shall not leave their boats after racing before completing the check-in procedure.

10. CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)

- 10.1. The number of crew (including the skipper) shall be three or four. All registered crew shall sail all races. Each team shall include at least one female.
- 10.2. The maximum total crew weight, determined prior to racing shall be 660 lbs when wearing at least shorts and shirts.
- 10.3. When a registered skipper is unable to continue in an event the OA may authorize an original crew member to substitute.
- 10.4. When a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event the OA may authorize a substitute, a temporary substitute or other adjustment provided the individual meets all ICSA eligibility requirements to represent the school.

11. EVENT FORMAT

1.1. The Regatta Chairman with the consultation of the Chief Umpire and the ICSA Representative may change the format, terminate, or eliminate any round when conditions are not expected to permit the completion of the intended format. The intended format for the championship is set forth below.

1.1.1. Stage 1

a. All teams shall compete in a single round robin.

1.1.2. Stage 2

a. The bottom four teams from Stage 1 will compete in a single round robin (Repechage Round).

1.1.3. Stage 3

a. The Quarter Finals will consist of the six teams from Stage 1, seeded 1 through 6 based on the results of Stage 1, plus the top two teams from the Repechage Round, seeded 7 and 8 based on the results of the Repechage Round. The highest seeds will be paired against the lowest seeds, i.e. 1 vs. 8, 2 vs. 7, 3 vs. 6, 4 vs. 5.

b. The Quarter Finals will be a knock-out series. The winner of each pair will be the first team to score at least two points.

c. Concurrent with the Quarter Finals, the bottom two teams in the Repechage Round will race each other in a knock-out series to determine 9th and 10th place overall. The winner will be the first team to score at least two points.

1.1.4. Stage 4

a. The Semi-Finals will consist of the winner of the 1 vs. 8 Quarter Final paired against the winner of the 4 vs. 5 Quarter Final, and the winner of the 2 vs. 7 Quarter Final paired against the winner of the 3 vs. 6 Quarter Final.

b. The Semi-Finals will be a knock-out series. The winner of each pair will be the first team to score at least two points.

c. Concurrent with the Semi-Finals, places 5th through 8th will be determined by a series of first to one point pairings. The loser of the 1 vs. 8 Quarter Final will be paired against the loser of the 4 vs. 5 Quarter Final, and the loser of the 2 vs. 7 Quarter Final will be paired against the loser of the 3 vs. 6 Quarter Final. The winners of these two pairings will then be paired in a first to one point match to determine 5th and 6th places; and the losers will be paired in a first to one point match to determine 7th and 8th places.

1.1.5 Stage 5

a. The Finals will consist of the winners of each Semi-Final match paired against each other.

b. The Finals will be a knock-out series. The winner will be the first team to score at least three points. The winner will be the ICSA Match Racing National Champion. The loser of the finals will place 2nd.

c. The Petit Finals will consist of the losers of each Semi-Final match paired against each other. The Petit Finals will be a knock-out series. The winner will be the first team to score at least two points. The winner of the Petit Final will place 3rd. The loser of the Petit Finals will place 4th.

12. COURSE

12.1. The course will be windward/leeward, finishing downwind.

12.2. The intended course area will be the east side of the Cooper River.

13. ADVERTISING

13.1. As boats and equipment will be supplied by the Organizing Authority, ISAF regulation 20.4 applies. Each boat will be required to display advertising as supplied by the OA.

14. PRIZES

- 14.1. Prizes will be awarded to the top-three skippers and crews.
- 14.2. The winning team's names and college shall be engraved on the Cornelius Shields Sr. Trophy.

- 15. **MEDIA, IMAGES & SOUND**
 - 15.1. If required, video equipment supplied by the OA shall be carried on board while racing.
 - 15.2. If required, competitors shall wear microphones supplied by the OA during racing and be available for interviews when advised by the OA or Race Committee.
 - 15.3. Competitors shall not interfere with the normal working of the OA supplied media equipment.

- 16. **COACHING & COACH BOATS**
 - 16.1. One coach boat will be provided for all competitors' coaches. Other coach boats will not be permitted.
 - 16.2. Coaching shall be in accordance with ICSA Procedural Rule 19.

- 17. **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**
 - 17.1. Competitors shall participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk (see RRS 4, DECISION TO RACE). The organizing authority does not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the regatta.

18. Hotel discounted rate opportunities-

Sleep Inn Mt. Pleasant (10 minutes away neat Patriots Point) \$85/night Call hotel directly at 843 856 5000

Wyndham Inn Mt. Pleasant (15 minutes away) \$129/night Call hotel directly at 843 352 5100 before November 6

Other hotels in Mt. Pleasant often offer special rates for C of C athletics if asked.

19. FURTHER INFORMATION

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