

**ICSA Women's National Championship  
For the Gerald C. Miller Trophy**

University of Wisconsin

Madison, WI

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**Sailing Instructions- Finals**

**1. Rules**

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the ICSA Procedural Rules, The Collegiate Dinghy Class Rules, the General Conditions for the ICSA Championships and the Conditions for the Women's Dinghy National Championship, the Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 ICSA Procedural Rule 32 – Immediate Penalties for Breaking RRS 42 will be in effect.
- 1.3 The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Intercollegiate Sailing Association in conjunction with the University of Wisconsin Sailing Team and the Hoofers Sailing Club.
- 1.4 Where there are differences between the Notice of Race and these instructions, these instructions will govern.

**2. Communication with Competitors**

- 2.1 The competitors meeting will be held at 0900 on Thursday, May 27, 2010.
- 2.2 Official notices will be posted on the Official Notice Board located on the outside of the Lake Lab, located between the Memorial Union and the boat storage area.
- 2.3 Questions regarding the Sailing Instructions may be submitted via email to [john.d.mann.2606@gmail.com](mailto:john.d.mann.2606@gmail.com) prior to May 25, or in writing to the Race Committee. Questions and written responses will be posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 2.4 Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted, announced, and effective immediately, except changes to the schedule and number of races will be posted by 2000 the night before on the Official Notice Board and on the event website.

**3. Schedule and Number of Races**

- 3.1 The warning for the first race of the Final Round will be announced at the competitors meeting on Thursday, May 27. On Friday, May 28, the warning for first race of the day will be at 0930.
- 3.2 No race will start after 1700 on Friday, May 28.
- 3.3 The regatta format will be a single round robin as per ICSA PR 22.

**4. Boats and Equipment**

- 4.1 One division of Collegiate 420s will be provided for competitors. The standing rigging shall not be adjusted.
- 4.2 Competitors shall report all loss or damage to equipment, however slight, to the Race Committee.
- 4.3 Breakdowns will be handled according to the ICSA Procedural Rules.

4.4 Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment, or positioning equipment as specified by the organizing authority.

## **5. Rotation**

5.1 The Rotation of boats will be in accordance with the provided rotation sheet available at the competitors and coaches briefing and posted on the Official Notice Board.

5.2 Rotations will take place either at the docks of the Hoofers Sailing Club or on the water as specified by the Dockmaster in consideration of the wind speed and direction.

5.3 Competitors may only remove boats from the water with permission of the Dockmaster or the ICSA Representative.

## **6. Racing Area**

The racing area will be the waters of Lake Mendota adjacent to the Memorial Union and beyond the mooring field.

## **7. The Course**

7.1 The courses and marks are described in Attachment A – Courses.

7.2 Marks will be orange.

7.3 A small mark may be used in the middle of the starting line as a placeholder for the anchor of a shorter finish line. If this mark is present, it is not a mark of the course-See Appendix A-Courses.

7.4 No later than the warning signal, the course will be designated on a board displayed on the committee boat.

## **8. The Start**

8.1 The starting line will be between staffs, displaying orange flags on the Race Committee Signal Boat and a port-end Race Committee Boat

8.2 Hails of OCS boats may be made by either the Race Committee Signal Boat or the port-end Race Committee Boat. Failure to hear a hail will not be grounds for redress.

8.3 An attention Signal will be made shortly before the warning signal of each race.

## **9. Finish**

The finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a Race Committee boat and the course side of a nearby mark, or between staffs displaying orange flags on a Race Committee boat and another Race Committee boat.

## **10. Time Limit**

If a boat is delaying the finish of a race, or the rotation, the Race Committee may end the race and score the boat in its current position.

## **11. Protests**

11.1 Protests and Requests for Redress shall be written on ICSA Protest Forms. Protest forms are available at the registration table. Protests shall be filed within 30 minutes of the last competitor in that division reaching the shore after the set in which the incident occurred. This changes ICSA PR 30.

11.2 Protest hearings will take place as soon as possible. The hearing schedule and location will be posted on the official notice board.

## **12. Safety**

- 12.1 While the weather in Wisconsin is generally pleasant, it can change quickly and the water can be cool. Use due care when selecting clothing for the day's racing.
- 12.2 Competitors who require assistance shall signify so by waving their arms over their head.
- 12.3 A competitor who retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.
- 12.4 Before sunset, the steam whistle at the Memorial Union will sound once. This single signal has no official bearing on the racing.
- 12.5 The UW Lifesaving Station monitors weather and controls all use of Hoofers Sailing Club equipment. In the event of an approaching storm, UW Lifesaving will sound the steam whistle at the Memorial Union multiple times. If such a signal is given, any race in progress is immediately abandoned. Whether racing or not, all boats shall immediately proceed to the ramp for prompt removal from the water. Racing will resume at the direction of the Race Committee.

### **13. Coaching**

It is the intent of the Regatta Committee to provide coach boats. Coaches will be required to provide their own USCGA approved PFD. Coaches may be required to operate coach boats. The area from the outermost boats in the mooring field to the shore is a SLOW NO WAKE zone. Any coach seen operating a boat at excess speeds within the mooring field or abusing their assigned coach boat will be referred to the Jury. The Jury may impose any penalty it deems necessary including removal of coach boat privileges and/or scoring penalties to the coach's team. This changes ICSA Procedural Rule 19.

### **14. Scoring**

Low point scoring will be used in accordance with the ICSA Procedural Rules.

### **15. Trophies**

- 15.1 The winning team shall have the name of its college engraved on the Gerald C Miller Trophy.
- 15.2 The second place team shall have the name of its college engraved on the New England Women's Trophy.
- 15.3 The third place team shall have the name of its college engraved on the Ann Campbell Trophy.
- 15.4 The winning A Division skipper and her college shall be engraved on the Madeleine Trophy.
- 15.5 The winning B Division skipper and her college shall be engraved on the Judy Lawson Trophy.
- 15.6 Keeper trophies, provided by the ICSA, shall be awarded to the members of the top three teams.

### **16. Photography Consent**

By entering the Championships, competitors accept that they may be photographed and/or videotaped participating in the race and/or using the host's facilities and they consent to the taking of such images and to the use, reuse, publication, and republication of such images in any media, in conjunction with the competitors name or not, without compensation and without the competitors approval of such images and the use thereof.