

**2015 Hap Moore Team Race
Coast Guard Academy
New London, Connecticut**

Sailing Instructions

1. **Rules:** The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2013-2016, and the prescriptions of US Sailing, the Procedural and Class Rules for Intercollegiate Sailing Competition 2013-2016, except as any of these are modified by these Sailing Instructions.
2. **Notices to Competitors:** Official notices will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board located in the classroom on the second floor of the Sailing Center.
3. **Changes in the Sailing Instructions:** Any changes in the Sailing Instructions will be announced orally and posted on the official notice board before the first race they are to take effect.
4. **Schedule:**

Saturday	0930	Report Time
	0950	Competitors Meeting
	1015	Warning Signal
Sunday	0930	Report Time
	1000	Warning Signal
	1500	Last Possible Warning Signal
5. **Format:** 1 Full Round Robin followed by a top 6 bottom 6 followed by tie breaker sail-off if need be and time permits. If conditions do not permit completion of said rotation the PRO may change the rotation at any time during the event understanding that one complete rotation is needed for a regatta.
6. **Boats:** As supplied by the United States Coast Guard Academy. Standing rigging shall not be adjusted. Competitors shall not modify any boat or cause them to be modified in any way, except that competitors may adjust lines and controls normally adjustable. Mainsails shall be rigged loose footed. All Bow-lines are for safety purposes only and may not be used for any purposes other than towing.
7. **Rotations:** A schedule for boat rotations will be distributed after the Competitors Meeting. Boat rotations will take place on the Leeward side of the FJ float.
8. **Course:** Courses will be designated on the Regatta Notice Board. The Race Committee will give additional oral notice. Courses will be run in accordance with Procedural Rules 18(c) (i, ii), with a course length of 10 minutes.
9. **Marks:** All rounding marks will be Orange round balls.
10. **Starts:** Races will be started in accordance with Procedural Rule 18(b). The starting line will be between a flag on the race committee boat and an orange ball at the port end.
11. **Individual Recalls:** Recalls will be signaled in accordance with Procedural and class Rule 18(b) (ii). The maximum time Code Flag "X" will be displayed is two minutes. The Race Committee will attempt to hail the sail number(s) of the recalled boat(s). Failure to hear the Race Committee's hail is not grounds for redress. (Replaces RRS 29.1 & Changes RRS Q6).

12. **Change of Course after the Start**: To maintain course configuration, marks may be moved as necessary, but no mark shall be moved when any yacht is on the leg that it terminates. There will be no signal for such a course change.
13. **Abandonment**: In accordance with Procedural and Class Rule 18(d)(i), the PRO or the Jury may abandon a race in accordance with RRS 32 except there will be no flags displayed for the abandonment.
14. **Finishes**: The finish line will be between a staff displaying a flag on the Race Committee boat and an orange ball at the port end. If a boat is delaying the completion of a race, the Race Committee may terminate the race and score the yacht points equal to last place.
15. **Scoring**: Scoring will be in accordance with Procedural Rules.
16. **Alternate Penalties**: If an umpire deems that an advantage was obtained by a competitor infringing upon or breaking a rule the umpire will display and Red Flag and hail the boat number of the competitor in question. The umpire will continue to raise Red Flag signaling the continuation of penalty turns until the race is considered "fair." This is up to the judgment of the umpire and is not subject for redress.
17. **Alternative Umpiring**: RRS D2.6 (Limited Umpiring) is to be used.
18. **Breaking Ties**: PR 25 (b) and PR 25 (c)
19. **Protest Hearings**: Protests will be heard promptly at the conclusion of racing for the day or at the end of a rotation. Appendix T, Section C Protest Procedure will be used.
20. **Breakdowns**: Procedural and Class Rule 20 will apply. Breakdowns must be reported to the race committee immediately after finishing, or if that is not possible, at the first opportunity to contact a member of the Race Committee. Breakdowns will be lodged in the same manner as protests.
21. **Capsizes**: A capsized boat may be righted and sailed on by its crew at any time before or during the race. If the safety of the boat or crew is in jeopardy, or if the progress of the race is affected, the Race Committee may require that assistance be accepted and the boat retires from the race. Starts will not be delayed to accommodate capsized boats.
22. **Coaching**: Procedural and Class Rule 19 will apply. Coaching will be permitted between races provided coaches have equal access and the rotation is not delayed.