# **Stuart Walker Regatta**

September 14 2019
Hosted by Middlebury College Sailing Club at
Hopper Family Sailing Pavilion

## 1233 Adams Ferry Road, Panton VT

## Sailing Instructions

**1.1** The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), and the ICSA Procedural Rules for Intercollegiate Sailing Competition, and by these Sailing Instructions.

## 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- **2.1** Notices to competitors, including boat rotations, will be posted on the official regatta notice board for this regatta on Techscore (scores.collegesailing.org).
- **2.2** Notices may also be made to competitors on the water via formal racing signal flags, such as postponement, recalls, abandonment, and course changes.

#### 3. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

**3.1** Any changes in the sailing instructions will be announced orally by the Race Committee and posted before the first race in which they are to take effect.

## 4. BOATS AND EQUIPMENT

- **4.1** FJ's will be provided for all competitors, who are allowed to adjust running rigging only.
- **4.2** The standing rigging shall not be adjusted.
- **4.3** The penalty for infringing the above instructions will be disqualification from all races sailed in contravention of these sailing instructions.
- **4.4** Competitors shall report any damage or loss of equipment, however slight, to the boat repair committee immediately after arriving ashore or to the Race Committee on the water. The penalty for infringing this instruction, unless the Jury is satisfied that the competitor made a determined effort to comply, will be disqualification from the race most recently sailed.
- **4.5** Breakdown points will not be awarded for the failure of knots, the loss of pins or rings, except that the Jury may, but is not required to, grant redress for the failure of the main halyard masthead knot.

#### 5. FORMAT

- **5.1** The regatta will be sailed in combined divisions with all boats racing at once on the same course. There will be a 45 minute break for lunch.
- **5.2**The RC reserves the right to end racing at any time for safety concerns.

## 6. ROTATION

**6.1** The rotation will be posted on TechScore and at the competitors meeting. Teams will rotate on the water every two races.

## 7. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

## Saturday

1030 Report and competitors meeting1045 Harbor Start1105 First WarningLunch Break-when convenient.

1600 No Starting Signal after this time

#### 8. RACING AREA

The Racing Area will be south of Button Bay on Lake Champlain.

#### 9. THE COURSE

- **9.1** The courses will be announced at the competitors meeting Saturday morning.
- 9.2 Rounding marks will be orange.

#### 10. START/FINISH

- **10.1** Races will be started in accordance with PR 18(b)(i)
- **10.2** The start line will be between a blue Middlebury College Burgee on the Race Committee Boat and an orange mark at the port end.
- **10.3** For downwind finishes, the finish line will be between a staff on the Race Committee Boat and an orange mark. For upwind finishes, the finish line will be between two orange marks (the windward and offset marks).
- **10.4** 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. RECALLS

- **11.1** Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with PR 18(b)(ii). The Race Committee will display the XRAY flag and sound a horn for individual recalls, it is the responsibility of each boat to make a proper start. Failure to hear or see a hail is insufficient cause for granting redress.
- **11.2** Multiple horns will sound and the first substitute flag will be displayed for a general recall. PR 18(b)(iii) shall also be in effect.

#### 12. PROTESTS

- **12.1** Protests shall be filed in accordance with the ICSA Procedural Rules. Protest forms will be available in the sailing shed.
- **12.2** Protests shall be filed within 20 minutes of reaching the shore after the race in which the incident occurred. Changes PR 30.

## 13. COACHING

In accordance with PR 19, a coach boat may be provided as described at the competitors' meeting. A radio will be provided for communication and coaches may be asked to assist with safety and adjusting the course marks.

## 14. SAFETY

- **14.1** A boat requesting assistance from support boats should signal by waving hands overhead.
- **14.2** A capsized boat may be righted and sailed by its crew, unless, in the sole judgment of the Race Committee, safety or the progress of the regatta would be affected, in which case the crew shall accept assistance, and the boat will be scored 'DNF.'
- **14.3** Starts may not be delayed to accommodate capsized boats.
- **14.4** A boat that retires is asked to notify the Race Committee before leaving the course area.