

USF Trophy
University of South Florida – St. Petersburg
September 15, 2024

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Rules: The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2021-2024, the prescriptions of US Sailing, and the Procedural Rules for Intercollegiate Sailing Competition as modified by these Sailing Instructions.
2. Notices to Competitors: Official notices will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board on Techscore.
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 in which they are to take effect.
4. Schedule:
Sunday report time: 9:00am
Sunday competitors meeting: 9:15am
Sunday first warning signal: as soon as practicable
No starting signal after 4:00pm
5. Exclusion Zones:
As you leave the dock, headed out, to the right (west) are private boats docked at the marina. You MUST maintain at least a 4 boatlength (60') distance from them. The Bayboro Harbor is surrounded by Coast Guard property. You MUST maintain a 150' distance from them. Violations will be subject to protest by the Race Committee and/or arrest by the Coast Guard.
6. Boats: (20) Zim FJs as supplied by USF. 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.
7. Rotations: 12 races are scheduled. Two Divisions. Teams will rotate boats every 3 races as per the rotation posted on Techscore. This changes PR 22(b)(i).
8. Course: Courses will be either W2, W3, W4, or W5 with a windward offset mark and a leeward gate. The Race Committee will give oral notice.
9. Marks: All marks will be orange spheres.
10. Starts: Races will be started in accordance with PR 18(b) (i). The starting line will be between a blue flag on the race committee boat and an orange ball at the port end.

11. Individual Recalls: Recalls will be signaled in accordance with PR 18(b) (ii). 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.

12. General Recalls: A General Recall will be signaled with a series of short horns, and the hail "General Recall". After a general recall, PR 18 (b) (iii), the Round-the-Ends rule, RRS 30.1, shall apply and no additional signal need be given. In addition, the race committee may implement PR 18 (b) (iii), the Round-the-Ends rule, RRS 30.1 at any time. This will be done by repeated hails by the race committee.

13. Finishes: The finish line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on a Race Committee boat and the starting mark OR between the weather mark and offset mark on a windward-leeward course with an odd number of legs. If a boat is delaying the completion of a race, the Race Committee may establish that position and score the boat's points.

14. Protests: Protests shall be filed in accordance with PR 29. Failure to do so may be grounds for closing the protest under RRS 63.5. Protest forms will be available in the office on the second floor of the sailing center. All protests shall be lodged with the Jury Representative there within thirty minutes of arriving ashore. Protest filing deadlines will be posted on the official online regatta notice board.

15. Breakdowns: PR 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.

16. 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.

17. Coaching: PR 19 will apply. Coaching will be permitted between races and/or sets provided coaches have equal access and the rotation is not delayed