2026 SEISA Fall Open and Women's Fleet Racing Championship

Corpus Christi Yacht Club
Corpus Christi, TX

Sailing Instructions

posted October 30, 2026

I. Rules

a. The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028, the prescriptions of US Sailing, ICSA Procedural Rules, the Notice of Race, and the Sailing Instructions. In the event of a discrepancy, the Sailing Instructions will govern.

b. Rule 60.4(a)(2) is changed as follows: "(2) if it alleges a breach of a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 and is from a boat that was not involved in, and did not see, the incident, or"

c. Changes to PR 15 (b) "A protesting boat shall, at the first reasonable opportunity after finishing, notify the Race Committee of its intent to protest. Failure to do so makes her protest invalid. This changes rule 60.4."

d. A competitor must notify the Race Committee (RC) of their intent to protest another boat, at the finish line, before talking to a coach or a support person. If this instruction is not followed, the protest will be found to be invalid. This is in addition to and modifies the requirements of class rules and RRS 60.1.

e. The organizing authority (OA) is SEISA in conjunction with Corpus Christi Yacht Club and the TAMU-CC sailing team.

II. Notice to Competitors

a. Official notices including changes to the sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board located in the front of the Sailing Center closest to the entry door. Changes to the sailing instructions shall be approved by the Protest Committee and posted no later than one half hour prior to the first warning signal on the day it will take effect.

III. Schedule

a. The daily schedule will be published in the Notice of Race.

b. The number of races sailed each day will be at the discretion of the Regatta Chairperson.

c. No race will start after a scheduled cutoff time, unless an extension is agreed to by all teams.

IV. Racing Area

a. All races will be sailed in the waters of Corpus Christi Bay or inside the breakwater of the harbor.

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V. Courses and Marks

a. Courses will be run in accordance with ICSA PR IV 18c.

b. All marks will clearly be identified by the Race Committee prior to the start.

c. Courses are specified in Appendix I of these Sailing Instructions.

VI. Shortening and Abandoning Races

a. In accordance with ISSA PR IV 18.c.i races will not be shortened. They will be abandoned.

b. A race may be abandoned at any time at the discretion of the race committee. Code flag "N" will be displayed.

VII. Start, Finish, and Recalls

a. Races will start in accordance with RRS Appendix U.

b. Individual recalls will be made in accordance with ICSA PR IV 18.b.ii. (X flag)

c. General recalls will be signaled with a series of short auditory blasts from a horn or whistle and the 1st substitute flag. After a general recall, the "round the ends" provision or RRS 30.1 will apply except Flag I may not be displayed in accordance with ICSA PR IV 18.b.iii (changes RRS 30.1).

d. The start line will be between the orange flag on the Race Committee boat and the orange buoy to port.

e. The leeward finish line will be between the Race Committee boat and the orange buoy to port.

f. The windward finish line will be between the blue flag on the Race Committee boat and mark 1.

VIII. Breakdowns

a. Breakdown requests shall be filed in the same manner as protests.

b. Breakdowns shall be scored in accordance ICSA IV PR 23.

IX. Protests

a. Protest procedure will be in accordance with ICSA PR IV.

b. Protest hearings will be posted on the Notice Board each day no later than 30 minutes after the RC boat reaches shore.

c. The Race Committee may protests any boat, each day, up to the close of the Protest filing deadline for that same day. Competitors are advised to be available to other competitors, the Protest Committee, and check the Notice Board until the Protest filing deadline has expired.

d. Per procedural rule ICSA PR III 19.b, competitors shall not communicate with coaches before reporting to the race committee their intent to protest.

X. Scoring

a. Scoring will be in accordance with ICSA PR IV 22.

XI. Coaching

a. Coaching will take place from shore, docks, or coach boats at the discretion of the Race Committee, in accordance with PR IV 19.

b. Team leaders, coaches, advisers and other support personnel will not go afloat in the sailing area without approval of the Race Committee.

c. The Race Committee will staff safety and support boats. Team coaches may be used to staff additional safety boats. Teams may supply their own coach boat. Docks will be provided on a first-come, first-serve basis.

XII. Safety

a. Per PR 13.c, competitors shall wear USCG approved Type III, V, Level 50, or Level 70 personal flotation device.

b. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee either before leaving the course, or if that is impossible, immediately after arriving ashore.

XIII. Serious Collisions

a. A collision causing damage requiring more than normal maintenance is regarded as serious damage and considered a serious incident. When such damage occurs, the Protest Committee may hold a hearing under RRS's 60.2, 60.3 & 63 to determine the facts and consider whether those involved exercised reasonable care in handling their boats. When the Protest Committee finds that a boat(s) did

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not, it shall be disqualified, regardless of any alternative penalty(s) accepted under RRS 44.1. In extreme cases, either or both boat(s) may be excluded from the rest of the regatta per RRS 64.

End of Sailing Instructions

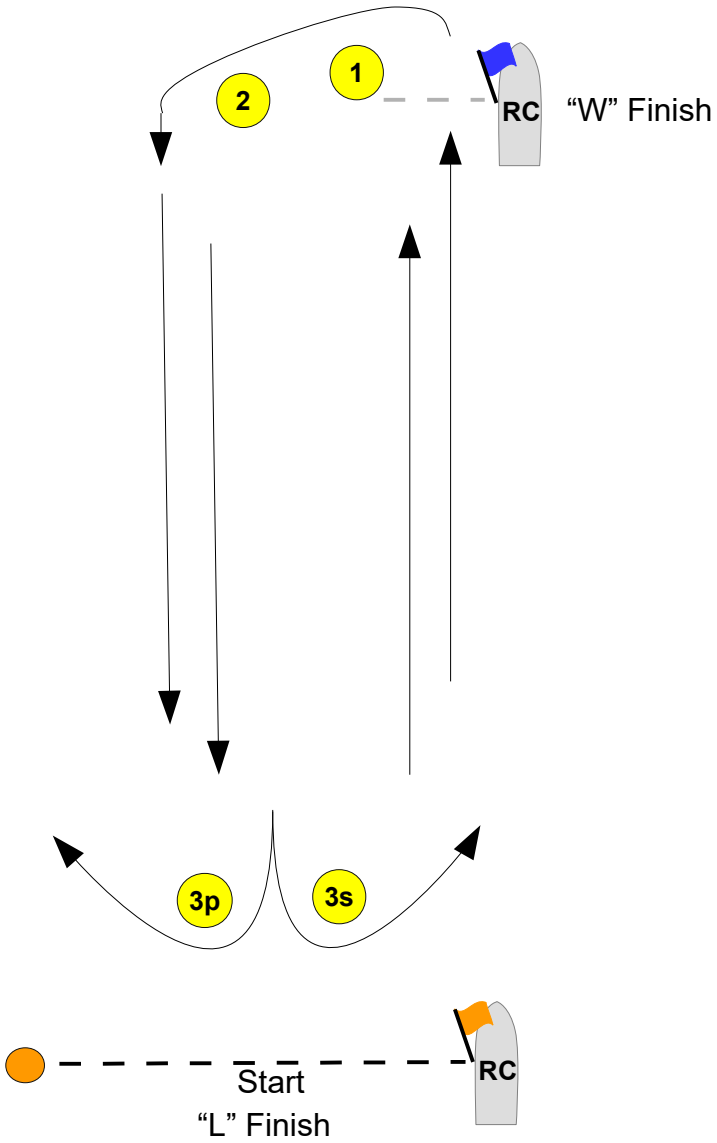
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Appendix I: Course



Marks 1 & 2 are left to port

Course	Marks
L2	Start – 1 – 2 – 3s/3p – Downwind Finish
W3	Start – 1 – 2 – 3s/3p – Upwind Finish
L4	Start – 1 – 2 – 3s/3p – 1 – 2 – Downwind Finish