

M.C.S.A Sloop Championship

Hosted by *Detroit Yacht Club*

September 26-27, 2026

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1. The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Intercollegiate Sailing Association (ICSA) in conjunction with the Midwest Collegiate Sailing Association (MCSA) and **Detroit Yacht Club**.
- 1.2. This regatta shall be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), ICSA Procedural Rules, ICSA Collegiate Dinghy Class Rules, General Conditions for ICSA Championships, and this Notice of Race (NOR), except as modified by the Sailing Instructions.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. All regatta entrants must meet ICSA eligibility requirements and must have been allocated a regatta berth to this event by the **MCSA Regatta Coordinator only**. Berth allocations: **Hillsdale**. As of the initial posting of this NOR there are five unfilled berths available to make a field of six.
- 2.2. **Only one berth per school/university will be accepted.**
- 2.3. **Every participant is to have a minimum of one year of sailing in an organized collegiate sailing program.**
- 2.4. Regatta fee of **\$10.00 per collegiate sailor** is charged.
- 2.5. Each team will be required to supply a \$500.00 damage deposit (by check made payable to the Detroit Yacht Club) at registration. Checks will not be deposited unless damage occurs. Unused checks will be voided at the conclusion of the regatta.
- 2.5.1. Each boat will be examined by a representative of the DYC Flying Scot Committee for damage after each day of racing and compared to the pre-regatta checklist.
- 2.5.2. When damage occurs, the cost of repairs will be paid from the deposit of the team responsible for the damage. If fault cannot be determined from an incident where damage occurs, all boats involved shall be found at fault and repair expenses shall be divided equally among the boats involved. This will not be grounds for protest or redress by any boat.
- 2.5.3. If damage occurs and the deposit check is executed, any remaining deposit will be refunded within one month of completion of the regatta. An accounting of expended funds will be rendered to any team having its deposit executed.
- 2.6. Teams shall register **in person at the DYC Sailing Center on the first day of the regatta and list all sailors per PR15.b. There is a maximum limit of five participants per team.**
- 2.7. The **2 week (in-conference)** drop deadline for this event is **12 noon on the Friday 2 weeks [September 11, 2026]**. The 24-hour drop deadline is **September 25, 2026**. To drop your berth for this event, contact the MCSA Regatta Coordinator only. Drop deadline penalties can be found in the MCSA Policies.
- 2.8. Team Uniforms - All student-athletes competing in ICSA regattas shall wear a uniform designating their college. The uniform shall be a lightweight jersey, bib, or pinnie worn over the lifejacket, or like-colored lifejackets. To designate the college, any combination of the college's name, nickname, mascot, or other identifying image shall be present on the back of the uniform and, except for an individual's name or number, shall be the same for all team members competing. ICSA recommends that the image used to designate the college be at least 8" X 8" in size.
- 2.9. All student-athletes shall register annually with ICSA prior to competing.
- 2.10. A college team representative shall enter completely on the Record of Participation Form the names and class years of all skippers and crews who competed, as well as the races in which they competed. A team failing to properly complete the Record of Participation Form before the expiration of protest time at the end of the

regatta, shall be rescored according to PR 33(a) for fleet racing and PR 33(b) for team or match racing. (see also PR 23, PR 24 and PR Appendix D - ICSA FORMS).

3. SCHEDULE AND NUMBER OF RACES

3.1 The regatta format will be a round robin as per ICSA PR 22 and the event conditions. This regatta is a **single division** event.

3.2 Schedule:

Saturday, September 26, 2026

Time Report Time: **0800** at **DYC Sailing Center**

Time Competitors' Meeting **0830**

Time **DYC Flying Scot personnel will provide instructions to all competitors about operations unique to Flying Scot boats 0900**

Time First Warning Signal **1100**

Sunday, September 27, 2026

Time Competitors Meeting: **0900**

Time: First Warning Signal: **1100**

Time No Starting Signal after 3 pm.

4. BOATS AND EQUIPMENT

4.1. Flying Scots **are to be sailed by a crew of three [1 Skipper, and 2 Crew members]** will be provided for competitors, who shall not modify any boat or cause them to be modified in any way.

4.2. The standing rigging shall not be adjusted.

4.3. **Spinnakers will NOT be used.**

5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available prior to the competitors' meeting, online at the event website (scores.collegesailing.org), on the official notice board, and on the [MCSA Schedule](#).

6. RACING AREA

The racing area will be **The Detroit River in front of DYC.**

7. SPECTATORS

7.1. All spectators boats shall remain at least 100 yards from the competitors while racing. Spectators shall receive 1 warning upon entering the "field of play." The second entrance shall be cause for a protest by the OA against the affiliated team(s) under RRS 41.

7.2. Spectator boats shall not dock in areas that interfere with the function of the sailboat rotation area.

7.3. Spectators **on land** must remain on the side of the gravel road away from the sailors. Spectators are NOT allowed on the Boardwalk. Spectators must not coach sailors on rigging boats. Spectators must not interfere with the DYC shore volunteers in operations of this event. Violation of this shall be cause for a protest by the OA against the affiliated team(s) under RRS 41.

8. TROPHIES

Trophies **will** be awarded to teams that place **in the following places 1st through 3rd.**

9. PHOTOGRAPHY, CAMERAS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

9.1. Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment, or positioning equipment as specified by the Organizing Authority (OA).

9.2. Individuals and their teams are permitted to use personal video/film/camera or sound recording equipment on their boats, however, the video and audio obtained by their personal cameras may not be used during a

protest hearing. Video/film/camera equipment includes, but is not limited to, GoPro and other action cameras, U.A.V.s, and Drones.

10. RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant the Organizing Authority and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recordings, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.

11. FURTHER INFORMATION

Visit scores.collegesailing.org for access to regatta information.

Visit the [MCSA Schedule](#) for access to schedule and regatta information.

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Regatta housing will be provided for this event.

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Housing will be provided on sailboats and motor yachts in the DYC harbor.

Breakfast on both racing days will be coffee, juice and donuts or bagels.

Lunches on both racing days will be sandwiches, fruit, chips, cookies and beverages.

Each committee boat has a cooler with water available for sailors when needed on the course.

A barbeque dinner on Saturday evening is offered to all competitors and will be at the DYC Sailing Center.