NEW ENGLAND WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP
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NEW LONDON, CT
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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES
1.1. This regatta will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 (RRS), the Procedural Rules (PR) and Class Rules for Intercollegiate Sailing Competition 2017-2020, and the NEISA Rules and Regulations, except as any of these are modified by these Sailing Instructions.
1.2. RRS Appendix P will be in effect, as modified by PR 32.
1.3. Any questions regarding these Sailing Instructions should be submitted in writing to Chief Judge Sue Reilly (sue.reilly@sbcglobal.net).

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS
2.1. Notices will be posted on the official regatta notice board located in the Chapman Room of Jacobs Rock.

3. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
3.1. Any changes in the sailing instructions will be announced orally and posted before the first race in which they are to take effect.

4. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
   Saturday  1030  Report Time  Sunday  0930  Report Time
   1100  First Warning Signal  1000  First Warning Signal
   1800  No Starting Signal After  1500  No Starting Signal After
   ASAP  NEISA Women’s Awards

5. FORMAT
5.1. The event will be sailed in two divisions.
5.2. A single round robin of seventeen races is scheduled. Competitors will switch boats after every two races.
5.3. A-Division will sail FJs on Saturday and Z420s on Sunday.
5.4. B-Division will sail Z420s on Saturday and FJs on Sunday.

6. BOATS & EQUIPMENT
6.1. Laser Performance FJs and Laser Performance Z420s will be provided for all competitors, who shall not modify any boat or cause them to be modified in any way. Competitors have the option of rigging the mainsheet purchase either 3:1 or 4:1.
6.2. The standing rigging shall not be adjusted.
6.3. The penalty for infringing instruction 6.1 or 6.2 will be disqualification from all races sailed in contravention of those instructions.
6.4. Competitors shall report all damage or loss of equipment, however slight, to CGA staff on shore or to the Race Committee Finish Boat on the water.

7. ROTATION
7.1. The rotation of boats will be in accordance with the online rotation.
8. **MARKS**
8.1. All rounding marks will be orange balls.
8.2. The starting mark will be a green ball. The starting line will be between a staff displaying red flag on the Race Committee Start Boat and the starting mark.
8.3. The finishing mark will be a yellow ball. The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a red flag the Race Committee Finish Boat and the finishing buoy.

9. **COURSE**
9.1. Courses will be posted on Tech Score.

10. **STARTING SYSTEM**
10.1. Races will be started in accordance with PR 18(b).

11. **RECALLS**
11.1. Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with Procedural Rule 18(b)(ii).
11.2. A general recall will be used in accordance to PR 18(b)(iii).

12. **PROTESTS**
12.1. Protests shall be filed in accordance with the ICSA Procedural Rules.
12.2. Protests shall be filed with 30 minutes of securing boats to the shore after the race or set of races in which the incident occurred. Protest time limits will be posted on the Official Notice Board. This changes PR 30.
12.3. Protests forms will be available in the Judges Room.

13. **SAFETY**
13.1. Competitors who require assistance from rescue boats should so signify by waving arms overhead. A competitor who retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.
13.2. Starts will not be delayed to accommodate capsized boats.
13.3. At the discretion of the Regatta Chairman, dry suits or wet suits may be required. Notice will be given orally and on the Official Notice Board on the morning of each day of competition.

14. **COACHING**
14.1. PR 19 will apply.
14.2. Coach boats will be provided for one representative per team. Coaches must wear a USCG approved PFD at all times while underway.

15. **AWARDS**
15.1. The winning team will have their names engraved on the Jerry Reed perpetual trophy.
15.2. The top three teams will receive keeper plaques.
15.3. The top eleven teams will advance to the ICSA Sperry Women’s National Championship in Norfolk, VA.