

Tech Dinghy Invitational Regatta
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
The People's Republic of Cambridge



April 22, 2023

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1. This regatta shall be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 (RRS), [the Procedural Rules](#) (PR) and Class Rules for Intercollegiate Sailing Competition 2021-2024, and the [NEISA Rules and Regulations](#), except as any of these are modified by these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2. PR 32 shall **not** be in effect.
- 1.3. Any questions regarding these Sailing Instructions should be submitted in writing to [Principal Race Officer Franny Charles](#)
- 1.4. The Class Rules of the Tech Dinghy Association allow the RC to suspend RRS 42 in entirety for a race when a black flag is displayed with the warning signal.
- 1.5. Appendix V1 shall apply. **PENALTY AT THE TIME OF AN INCIDENT** The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: 'A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while racing. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two Turns Penalty.'

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1. Notices will be posted on the official regatta notice board located west of the main lobby.

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 take effect.

4. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday	1030	Report Time
	1045	Competitors Meeting
	ASAP	First Warning Signal
	1800	No Starting Signal After

5. FORMAT

- 5.1. The event will be sailed in one division.
- 5.2. Bathroom, water and snack breaks will occur after every two races.

6. BOATS & EQUIPMENT

- 6.1. Adjustments to the standing rigging are welcome and permissible between races.
- 6.2. The main halyard may be rigged to assist in holding the boom out.
- 6.3. Bailing buckets shall be tied to the boat
- 6.4. Competitors shall report all damage or loss of equipment, however slight, to MIT Dockmasters Wally Corwin and Dan Tucker. or to the Race Committee Finish Boat on the water.
- 6.5. If a substitute boat needs to be employed, please bring your mainsail from the broken boat to the new boat.

7. ROTATION

Competitors will rotate boats in accordance to the rotation.

8. MARKS

- 8.1. All rounding marks will be *pink balls*.
- 8.2. The starting mark will be the farther away pink ball on the port side of the RC signal boat. The starting line will be between a staff displaying *an orange flag* on the Race Committee Start Boat and the course side of the starting mark.
- 8.3. The finishing marks will be two yellow balls.

9. COURSE

- 9.1. Courses will be announced orally and taken from the course diagrams *on* the Official Notice Board and on the Tech Score notice board.

10. STARTING SYSTEM

- 10.1. Races will be started in accordance with PR 18(b)(i).

11. PROTESTS

Protests shall be filed in accordance with the ICSA Procedural Rules.

Competitors intending to file shall report it to the finish boat immediately after finishing.

Protest forms shall be completed and the other party or parties shall be verbally notified within 15 minutes of securing boats at the beginning of a set on the dock, a shore-side postponement or after the RC docks at the end of the day's racing. This changes PR 30. Protests forms will be available *from the counter in the lower lobby of the sailing pavilion*.

- 11.1 The protesting party shall then find an uninterested sailor from their division and one impartial coach to hear the protest.
- 11.2 The protested boat shall also find one uninterested sailor from their division to hear the protest.
- 11.3 Hearings shall be convened immediately and shall be open for all competitors to observe silently.
- 11.4 Deliberations may be private among jury members.
- 11.5 Decisions shall be made in writing on the form and the form should be submitted to the score keeper at the computer in the upstairs office area immediately after the hearing.
- 11.6 Video, data and/or photographs taken from any source may be presented as evidence at protest hearings.

12. SAFETY

- 12.1. Competitors who require assistance from rescue boats should signify by waving arms overhead. A competitor who retires from a race shall notify any member of the Race Committee as soon as possible.
- 12.2. Starts will not be delayed accommodating capsized boats.
- 12.3. 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 at any time during the competition.

13. COACHING

- 13.1. PR 19 will apply.
- 13.2. The use of drones in the vicinity of the regatta or the MIT Sailing Pavilion is prohibited.

Regatta Chair- Franny Charles, MIT Sailing Master

Questions regarding the facility or boats may be addressed to: fcharles@mit.edu