

2026 SEISA Fleet Race Conference Championships Hosted by Tulane University April 18-19, 2026 Sailing Instructions

1. RULES

These regattas will be governed by the current version of the Racing Rules of Sailing (2025-2028), including Appendix D for the Team Race Championships, the ICSA Procedural Rules (2025-2028), and the ICSA Collegiate Dinghy Class Rules, except as any of these are modified by these sailing instructions.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices will be posted on the official regatta notice board located online on Techscore.

3. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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, April 18

Open Fleet Race Championship

0900 Report Time

0910 Coach/Team Rep Meeting

1000 First Warning

1700 No Start after this time

Women's Fleet Race Championship

0900 Report Time

0910 Coach/Team Rep Meeting

First Warning to occur ASAP after the completion of the Open Fleet Race Championship

Sunday, April 19 (If Necessary)

0900 Report Time

0945 First Warning
1500 No Start after this time

5. FORMAT

- 5.1. For the Open Fleet Race Championships, 8 Races total will be attempted.
- 5.2. If after 1700hrs Saturday 3 or more races have not been completed for the Open Fleet Race, racing will continue on Sunday.
- 5.3. For the Women's Fleet Race Championship, 6 Races total will be attempted.
- 5.4. If after 1700hrs on Saturday 3 or more races have not been completed for the Women's Fleet Race, racing will continue on Sunday.
- 5.5. If 3 or more races have not been completed for either the Open or Women's Championship by 1500hrs on Sunday, the results from the Fall Fleet Race Championships will be used for that respective Championship.

6. BOATS & EQUIPMENT

6.1 Zim FJs 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.

The penalty for infringing instruction 6.1 or 6.2 will be disqualification from all races sailed in contravention of those instructions.

6.3. Competitors shall report all damage or loss of equipment, however slight, to the dock/Finish Boat immediately after finishing or to the Race Committee Signal Boat on the water.

6.4. Breakdowns will be decided using PR 23. Breakdown consideration will not be given for the failure of knots (except at the head of the main when it was determined there was not an opportunity to check it), or loss of cotter pins and rings.

7. ROTATION

7.1 The rotation of boats will be in accordance with the rotation listed on Techscore.

8. RACING AREA

The intended racing area will be just to the North of the Municipal Yacht Harbor.

9 MARKS

9.1 Starting and Finish Marks will be Yellow Balls. Windward Marks and Offsets will be Red balls. Leeward Marks and Gates will be Green Balls

10. COURSES

10.1 A W-4 Course for Fleet Racing will be displayed on the Official Notice Board.

10.2. The starting and finishing lines will be between a staff from which an Orange flag is displayed and the course side of a Yellow ball.

11 STARTING SYSTEM

Races will be started in accordance with PR 18(b)(iii).

12 PROTESTS

Protests will follow RRS Section A and modified by ICSA PR Appendix G for Expedited Hearings.

13. Drones

13.1 Drones may be used; however all Federal and Local laws/rules must be followed. Any footage must be shared to all teams competing.

14. SAFETY

14.1 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.

14.2 Starts may not be delayed to accommodate capsized boats

14.3 If in the opinion of a Race Official it is in the best interests for the safety of competitors or equipment that a boat is in need of outside assistance, that boat will be required to accept that assistance and be scored DNF for that race.

15. Coaching

PR 19 shall apply. Should a team need to make an additional substitution, the Regatta Chair may allow for a support boat to pick them up from the harbor to be brought out.

16 OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Tulane Sailing operates out of Community Sailing New Orleans. Under no circumstances are competitors or coaches permitted to be inside Southern Yacht Club while the regattas are taking place. Any questions about spectating or where teams can be should be directed to the Tulane Coach. Violation of this policy is subject to the same discretionary penalty of 5 points to their team's score.