

NOTICE OF RACE
SEISA District Qualifying Regatta
for the
NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL SINGLEHANDED CHAMPIONSHIP
October 15 - 16, 2011
Houston Yacht Club
Shoreacres, TX

1. RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2009-2012 edition of The Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012 and the Interscholastic Sailing Association of North America (ISSA) Procedural Rules, this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions. In the event of a conflict between the governing documents and the Sailing Instructions, the latter shall take precedence.

1.2 RRS Appendix P will apply as changed by ISSA Procedural Rule 14(c).

1.3 The Organizing Authority (OA) is the ISSA.

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2. SAFETY

2.1 All competitors must wear USCG approved Type III or V non-inflatable lifejacket at all times while on the water, except to quickly change clothing.

3. ELIGIBILITY

3.1 Competing schools must be members of ISSA and meet ISSA eligibility rules as prescribed in the Procedural Rules.

3.2 No student below the level of 9th grade shall be eligible to compete.

3.3 Competitors must be accompanied by a designated adult team leader--chaperone, who may be an advisor, coach or a parent recognized by the school

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4. ENTRY FEE

4.1 The entry fee is \$35 per competitor. All entries must be received by 1030 on Saturday, October 15, 2011. Lunches and snacks after racing will be provided for all competitors. Team leaders, coaches and parents may buy additional meal packages for \$15.00.

4.2 Payment of \$110 per high school must be made to SEISA/ISSA as annual membership dues for the 2011 – 2012 school year prior to sailing the event. Dues must be received no later than 1030 on Saturday, October 15, 2011.

4.3 Make regatta registration and dues checks payable to: Malinda Crain - SEISA.

Registrations may be mailed to: SEISA Cressy Elimination Regatta
c/o Malinda Crain
3620 Del Monte Drive
Houston, TX 77019

5. BOATS

5.1 This is a BYOB event. Full Rig Laser or Radial Rig Laser.

6. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday, October 15, 2011

0930 Check in and Rigging of Boats.

1030 Competitors Meeting (Mandatory)

1130 First Warning. Racing will continue throughout the day.

Racing will continue until late, weather permitting.

Sunday, October 16, 2011

0900 Competitors Meeting (Mandatory)

1000 First Warning. Racing will continue throughout the day.

1300 No warning signal will be made after this time.

1400 (or as soon as possible after racing) Lunch and Trophy Presentation.

Changes to schedule will be posted on the Notice Board located on the window of the TCYC clubhouse.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be available during check-in on Saturday and may be available online at www.seisa.org prior to the event.

8. RACING AREA

All races will be sailed on the waters of Galveston Bay adjacent to the HYC harbor. The location of the signal boat will be announced at the Competitor's Meeting.

9. SCORING

9.1 The Low Point Scoring System, RRS Appendix A will apply as modified by ISSA Procedural Rule 9, except that no score will be excluded.

9.2 Twelve races are scheduled; three races must be completed to constitute a regatta.

10. COURSES

Courses will follow ISSA PR 7.7. Based on conditions, the Race Committee will determine the courses.

11. COACHING

Team leaders, chaperones, coaches, parents, advisors and other support personnel shall not go afloat in the sailing area on personal craft October 15 - 16, 2011 unless explicitly permitted to do so by the regatta chairperson. All coaching, including instruction, assistance, equipment and sustenance shall be provided only on shore or from a designated coach boat. The penalty for failing to comply with this requirement may be the disqualification of all boats, competitors and teams associated with the infringing support personnel.

12. PRIZES

First place in each fleet will qualify for the 2012 NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL SINGLEHANDED CHAMPIONSHIPS for the CRESSY TROPHY hosted by the Midwest Interscholastic Sailing Association (MISSA) at Chicago Yacht Club, October 28 - 30, 2011.

13. IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL CRESSY CONTESTANTS:

No contestant shall use, either on or off the water, alcoholic beverages (beer, wine, or distilled spirits, each as defined in Chapter 51 of the US Internal Revenue Code and intended for beverage use), or marijuana, cocaine, or any other controlled substance (as defined in 21 US Code 802), the possession of which, by that contestant is unlawful under 21 US Code 841. Infringements of this regulation and/or other discipline expectations occurring during **October 15 - 16, 2011** may be the basis for a hearing under RRS 69.1 The protest committee for such a hearing shall be the regatta chairperson, a member of the ISSA BOD, and the protest committee chairperson. This protest committee shall, at a time and place selected by them, meet to hear said protest, and their decision to impose scoring penalties, or other sanctions they alone deem appropriate, including summary removal from the regatta, shall be final, without appeal.

14. REGATTA CONTACTS

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