

District Supplemental Rules for: South Atlantic Interscholastic Sailing Association (SAISA)

Updated and approved on September 10, 2014. These Supplemental Rules is in addition to the Procedural Rules for Interscholastic Sailing Competition sponsored by the Interscholastic Sailing Association (ISSA). Go to www.hssailing.org for current ISSA Procedural Rules.

1. ORGANIZATION

- 1.1. The SAISA By-Laws (adopted September 21, 2013) are the governing document of the association.
- 1.2. An annual SAISA membership meeting will be held in September of each school year as determined by the SAISA Board of Directors.
- 1.3 SAISA is one of seven districts in ISSA and composed of FL (excluding panhandle), GA, SC, NC, TN, AL (excluding lower Mobile area) and the Caribbean.
- 1.4 SAISA has three leagues: 1) SAISA Caribbean 2) SAISA South (all FL except Jacksonville Area) 2) SAISA North (NC, SC, GA, TN, AL and Jacksonville area of FL)

2. ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1. All teams must be members in good standing (registered and dues paid) of SAISA and ISSA to compete in any SAISA regattas.
- 2.2. An individual team does not need to be formally recognized by the school as a varsity or club to be eligible to compete.
- 2.3. Each team must have an adult leader (coach and/or advisor). Coaches and advisors may work with multiple teams.
- 2.4. Teams can be comprised of one or more sailors. Each team should strive to increase membership to be in a position to field full teams for fleet racing (4 or more sailors) and team racing (6 or more sailors).
- 2.5. All competitors must be full-time students in the 9th through 12th grade of the school they represent and subject to the academic and discipline requirements of that school.
- 2.6. An 8th grade student attending a feeder school to the public or private high school they will attend may be approved by the SAISA President to be added to team roster and sail in SAISA points regattas, but is not eligible to participate in SAISA North Championships, SAISA South Championships and qualifiers for ISSA National Championships (Mallory, Baker, Cressy). Teams with 8th graders must be registered and sail as a JV team in regattas that 8th graders sail and will fall under Supplemental Rule 5.3.
- 2.7. A Home school, virtual school or privately tutored student may participate upon approval of the SAISA President who will assign the student to be associated with an existing SAISA team. First priority will be the team of the public school the student would attend; second priority will be a team in their public school district. If neither exists then they will be assigned to the closest public team based upon their permanent home address. Once assigned the student must sail for this team for the remainder of their high school sailing years unless in the future they attend a different public or private school that has a team.
- 2.8. Before competing all competitors must be registered with and appear in the online roster (ISSA Database) of the school that they attend or their assigned school. Failure for a

competitor to be on this roster may be grounds for disqualification of the team in any and all races in which that competitor sailed.

3. DISCIPLINE

3.1. No contestant shall use, either on or off the water, alcoholic beverages (beer, wine, distilled spirits) or use any controlled substance (marijuana, cocaine, etc.), the possession of which is unlawful. Infringements of this regulation will be the basis for disciplinary action per ISSA procedural rule 5.1 (Conduct).

3.2. No contestant shall use foul language. Continued infringement of this regulation will be the basis for disciplinary action.

3.3. The SAISA Board of Director's or their designated SAISA representative has jurisdiction over disciplinary matters.

3.4. Fair sailing under the Corinthian spirit should be encouraged and promoted by all coaches and advisors.

4. REGATTA REGISTRATION, FORMS, RESULTS

4.1. All regatta forms should be created using the standard SAISA templates located on the SAISA website.

4.2. All NORs must be reviewed and approved by SAISA President or their designee prior to posting. NOR should be posted as close to, but no sooner than 30 days prior to date of event to enable consistent timing for registration.

4.3. The regatta chair or their designee and each team's advisor must validate that all teams are full dues paid members of SAISA and all sailors registered are listed on the online ISSA roster prior to participating in the regatta. Dues for pending team membership maybe collected at the regatta venue if agreed upon by the SAISA President in advance.

4.4. All SAISA regatta entries must be received by the regatta registration contact in hard copy by end of day on Wednesday prior to the event. Exceptions for late registration may only be approved only by the regatta chairman. Split, composite and JV teams are eligible to compete in all SAISA points and open regattas. Teams must clearly identify on the registration form if they will be sailing as a split, composite or JV team. Split, composite and JV teams must coordinate with other teams to field a complete two division team of four or more sailors to register for any SAISA two division regattas.

4.5. Regatta Registration Priority: If more teams register for any SAISA regatta than the number of boats the host team provides then priority will be assigned in the following order (1) full teams in order of registration received (2) split teams (3) combination teams (4) JV teams.

4.6. Once the number of teams registered exceeds number of boats provided by the regatta host each additional team must bring a boat of comparable quality to be used in the boat rotation throughout the regatta. Upon arrival at the regatta the boat will be inspected by the regatta chair and if deemed unacceptable then that team will not be allowed to participate in the regatta. Caribbean teams will be guaranteed a boat in all SAISA regattas as long as they register by Friday a week before the regatta.

4.7. If a team either no shows without notifying the regatta coordinator before end of day on Wednesday before the regatta or departs the regatta early before sailing is completed then they will not receive any points towards SAISA championship qualification, will not receive participation credit and will be required to bring a boat to all future regattas in that season in order to compete unless excused by the SAISA President or regatta Chairman.

4.8. Standings for the League Series will be calculated by awarding a team 1 point for every team they beat in each regatta in which they participate during the season. The cumulative total for each team's best five regattas will determine the final standings for the season (high point scoring.)

4.9. Points regatta results are due within 72 hours after completion of the regatta along with a written summary of the event including a minimum of: host organization, location, weather conditions, # of teams and award winners.

5. TEAM COMPOSITIONS AND SCORING FOR SAISA MALLORY POINTS REGATTAS

5.1. All sailors in any ISSA or SAISA regattas must be on the proper roster of dues paid team prior to any participation.

5.2. Full Team - When an eligible team can field a complete team of four or more sailors from their SAISA roster. They will be eligible for all divisional and overall regatta awards. SAISA Championship qualification will be based upon final overall standing in regatta.

5.3. Split, Composite and JV Teams - Split Teams (single division from one team), Composite Teams (combination of sailors from 2 or more teams) and JV teams are eligible to sail in all SAISA points regattas and open regattas. They will sail in the same races with full teams, but will not be included in boat rotations. Split, Composite and JV teams will be scored separately from full teams and their results will not count towards SAISA championship qualification.

5.4. Junior Varsity (JV): A school must obtain approval from their SAISA League Representative (South, North or Caribbean) to enter a JV team in a regatta. In order to be considered for approval, a school must have a minimum of 12 full-time members on their roster and actively participating. A JV sailor may not transfer to the varsity team for that regatta, but may move back and forth between varsity and JV team for future regattas.

6. QUALIFICATION – SAISA MALLORY DOUBLE-HANDED CHAMPIONSHIP

6.1. One SAISA double-handed two division regatta shall be held in the spring prior to the national championships. The final standings from the SAISA Mallory Championship will determine which teams qualify to attend the ISSA National Championship. Location of SAISA Championship should be rotated with the North hosting in spring 2014 and all even years thereafter and the South in 2015 and all odd years.

6.2. All SAISA Mallory District and League championship regattas should be scheduled for a full rotation over a two day period of time. A minimum of 3 races in each division over the two days will constitute a complete regatta if conditions do not permit more races to be completed.

6.3. Allocation of slots for the SAISA District Championship will be 7 slots for SAISA North, 7 slots for SAISA South, 1 slot for SAISA Caribbean and 1 at large berth to be selected by SAISA Executive Committee based upon nominations on overall performance during the season.

6.4. All qualifications for SAISA League Championships (North, South and Caribbean) and district Mallory Championship will be based upon a high point scoring system with teams earning points based upon the number of teams they beat in each of their top 5 points regattas. For example if they finished 1st in a 15 team regatta they will receive 15 points for that regatta, 2nd would receive 14 points, etc. Ties for overall League championships will be broken based upon the following order: 1) Who beat who the most in SAISA points regattas the teams that are tied sailed 2) Most number of overall points regatta 1st, then 2nd, then 3rd,

etc. 3) Who sailed the most points regattas 4) SAISA Executive Committee will make final decision if ties cannot be broken.

6.5. To be eligible to attend the SAISA District Mallory Championship, SAISA South League Championship and SAISA North League Championship a team must have 4 or more sailors on their roster and have 4 or more sailors able to attend the championship regatta to register and compete.

6.6. SAISA South League Championship Qualification – To be eligible a team must sail a minimum of 5 SAISA South points regattas. The top 7 teams with the highest total score for their best 5 points regattas will qualify for the SAISA District Malory Championship. If a team that qualifies cannot attend their slot will be filled by the next team based upon their final standings for the 5 points regattas until all slots are filled.

6.7. SAISA North League Championship – To be eligible a team must sail a minimum of 5 SAISA North points regattas. The top 7 teams with the highest total score for their best 5 regattas will qualify for the SAISA District Mallory Championship. If a team that qualifies cannot attend their slot will be filled by the next team based upon their final standings for the 5 points regattas until all slots are filled.

6.8. SAISA Caribbean League Qualification –The first place team in the SAISA Caribbean Championship will qualify for the SAISA District Championship.

7. QUALIFICATION – SAISA CRESSY SINGLE-HANDED CHAMPIONSHIP

7.1. One SAISA qualifier regatta sailed in both full rig and radial rig Lasers shall be held prior to the ISSA Cressy. The intent is to hold this regatta in conjunction with the SAISA annual meeting. The number of teams that qualify to attend the ISSA National Championship will be based upon ISSA SAISA District allocations each year. The SAISA Board of Directors will determine the location ideally rotating between the North and the South each year.

8. QUALIFICATION – SAISA BAKER TEAM RACING CHAMPIONSHIP

8.1. One SAISA team race regatta shall be held in the spring. The number of teams that qualify to attend ISSA Baker National Championship will be based upon the ISSA SAISA District allocations each year. Location will be in the South for 2014 and 2015. At which time it will be re-evaluated by the SAISA board of Directors on an annual basis to determine if the North has increase participation to warrant moving to an annual rotation of host location.

9. QUALIFICATION – SAISA GREAT OAKS CHAMPIONSHIP (SINGLE DIVISION / DOUBLE HANDED)

9.1. Great Oaks regatta is to promote growth and advancement of new SAISA District teams.

9.2. One single division SAISA League Championship regatta will be sailed in SAISA North and a second League Championship will be sailed in SAISA South to determine qualifiers. Teams from North and South may attend either qualifier but not both. The Caribbean teams can sail in either the South qualifier or the North qualifier and compete for SAISA's allocated slots.

9.3. The number of slots for SAISA North and South will be determined based upon the % of total teams that participated in both qualifier regattas with 1 slot going to the Caribbean. For example if SAISA receives 11 slots total and there were 12 teams in the South qualifier and 6

teams in the North qualifier then Caribbean would receive 1 slot, SAISA South would receive 7 slots and SAISA North would receive 3 slots. If there is a question relative to the split of slots the SAISA Executive Committee will make the final decision.

9.4. All teams that meet ISSA Great Oaks qualification guidelines can sail in the qualification regatta.

10. SAISA SPRING SILVER CHAMPIONSHIP

10.1. A single division spring championship will be held for teams from the North and South that do not qualify for the SAISA North and South League Championships. Location will be in the South in odd number years and in the North in even number years. .

11. SAISA CHARLESTON OPEN

11.1. SAISA Charleston Open will be a two division double-handed two day regatta hosted by the College of Charleston during the fall season.

11.2. Participation is open to all SAISA teams that register, up to 18 teams. If SAISA teams do not fill all available slots then teams from other districts will be invited.

12. THE SAISA OVERALL DISTRICT CUP

12.1. In order to be eligible a team must sail in all 3 SAISA District Championships.

12.2. An overall trophy will be awarded to the top school based upon their combined low point score for the following regattas:

- SAISA Mallory Championship
- SAISA Baker Championship
- SAISA Cressy Championship

Starting in the 2015 fall/spring 2016 season the SAISA Women's Championship will be added to the criteria for determining the overall SAISA District Cup

12.3. First tie breaker will be who beat who the most in the 3 SAISA District Championships. Second tie breaker will be who beat who in the Mallory Championship.

13. SELECTION OF SAISA PARTICIPATION FOR INTERSECTIONAL REGATTAS

13.1. SAISA participants for Intersectional regattas will be based upon a lottery of all teams wanting to participate unless selection processes is otherwise defined by the host organization.

14. SAISA WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP

14.1. A single division Women's championship should be held each spring to determine the SAISA District Women's champion. Teams may enter multiple representatives in the Women's Championship. For 2014 the location will be in SAISA South. In future years SAISA Board of Directors will be made if SAISA North has built enough teams to warrant rotation of the location between South and North locations.