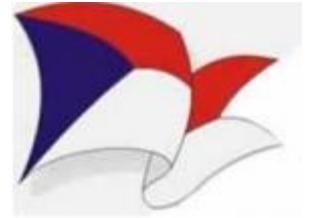


Carolina Sailing Club



2023-2024 Winter Racing

Notice of Race – Revised 26 Oct 2023

1. Rules

- 1.1. The regattas will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. OUTSIDE HELP: A boat may receive outside help. The race committee and competitors are encouraged to provide advice to inexperienced competitors and help for any boat in need. This changes RRS 41.

2. Sailing Instructions

- 2.1. The Sailing Instructions (SI) will be available online on the Carolina Sailing Club website at least three days before the first regatta. Visit [Sailing Instructions \(SI\) - Carolina Sailing Club](#)

3. Eligibility and Entry

- 3.1. Boats skippered by a Winter, Full, Sustaining, Commodore's Circle, Under 30, Under 21 or Student, or High School member in good standing may enter by registering online by 8pm the Saturday night before race day. Same day race registration is permitted at the discretion of the PRO. ("Good standing" means that dues are paid, the skipper is signed up for race committee prior to racing, and has attempted to meet his or her one-day Winter RC commitment by the end of Winter racing.) Visit the CSC website to register - [CSC Scratch Sheet - Google Sheets](#)
- 3.2. Previous and potential club members who have not yet joined Carolina Sailing Club (CSC) may participate by paying \$25 which waives the ramp fee at Crosswinds. This fee may be applied towards membership.
- 3.3. Only CSC Members who participate in the racing series are allowed to store their boat at Crosswinds for the winter series.
- 3.4. All boats having a valid Portsmouth handicap rating will be assigned to the Open Class
- 3.5. All non-member participants, including crew, must sign the Carolina Sailing Club Release Sheet online prior to participation. Visit the CSC website to access this form - [PRO Race Documents - Carolina Sailing Club](#)
- 3.6. Members participating in the winter racing series are required to serve on race committee (RC) for 1 day during the series. Failure to have already served or signed-up for RC may result in being appointed to a RC slot and/or being denied the right to race on the race day if RC does not have enough members.

4. Schedule

- 4.1. Winter race dates are given on the CSC website calendar (www.carolina-sailingclub.org).
- 4.2. The competitors' meeting will be held at the Crosswinds Boating Center near the flagpole per the schedule:

Competitors' Meeting	12:00
Warning Race #1	13:00
Subsequent races	back to back

- 4.3. No races will be started later than 3:30 pm. The number of races is at the discretion of the PRO.

5. Venue

- 5.1. The racing area will be located off the launching ramps at Crosswinds Boating Center on Jordan Lake.

6. Course

- 6.1. Boats will race around floating marks (generally windward/leeward configuration) as described in the sailing instructions.
- 6.2. Marks of the course will be described in the SI's.

7. Scoring

- 7.1. All boats shall race in a single handicap class.
- 7.2. Handicapping for the open class races will be in accordance with the Portsmouth Yardstick using wind-speed and crew number modifications. No further modifications will be applied.
- 7.3. Each race will be individually scored for a given day and the sum of those races will determine the daily winner. Each race shall be scored based on the number of skippers registered for that day.
- 7.4. Each race day stands alone, and is not scored for a CSC Winter sailing series. No score will be excluded.

8. Safety

- 8.1. In accordance with RRS 3, each competitor is responsible for deciding whether or not to start or continue in any race and for the safety of vessel and crew. The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone. By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes. These risks also now include Covid-19.
- 8.2. Personal flotation devices are required to be worn by all competitors.
- 8.3. Competitors under the age of 18 are required to wear a wetsuit or dry suit, unless a parent or guardian is physically present for the duration of the competition and decides at his/her discretion that a wetsuit or dry suit is not necessary.

9. Risk

- 9.1. Competitors participate in the races at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race.
- 9.2. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage, illness, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after racing.