

NOTICE OF RACE - BAKER
ISSA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TEAM RACING CHAMPIONSHIP
For the
BAKER TROPHY
To Be Held At
United States Naval Academy (USNA)
601 Brownson Road, Annapolis, MD, 21401
Hosted by the Middle Atlantic Schools Sailing Association

MAY 21-23, 2004

NOTICE OF RACE

1. Rules
The regatta will be governed by the 2001-2004 ISAF Racing Rules (RRS including Appendix D), the prescriptions of US SAILING, the ISSA Procedural Rules, this Notice of Race (except as changed by the Sailing Instructions), and the Sailing Instructions. Races will be umpired. The regatta is classified as a Category A event.

2. Eligibility
 - 2.1 A team is comprised of a maximum of nine sailors. Competing schools must be members of ISSA. **NO STUDENT BELOW THE LEVEL OF 9TH GRADE SHALL BE ELIGIBLE TO COMPETE.** Teams must be accompanied by a designated adult Team-Leader Chaperone, who may be an advisor, coach or parent and must be recognized by the school.

 - 2.2 Selection for the Baker Trophy will be by district elimination. The regatta has 12 berths, which will be distributed based on the following quotas:

New England 3	Mid-Atlantic 1	So. Atlantic 2	Southeast 1
Mid-West 1	Pacific Coast 3	Northwest 1	

 - 2.3 Each team must be a current member of ISSA. The membership fee is \$75 annually per school plus district dues paid to the appropriate district.

3. Entry, Communications and Registration
 - 3.1 Eligible schools and sailors must enter by filing an official entry form with the Regatta Chairperson prior to 10 May, 2004. (If the elimination for your district is to be held after the entry deadline please contact the Regatta Chairperson immediately, so special arrangements can be made). Entry fee must be included with the entry form.

- 3.2 ISSA membership will be verified at the time of final registration at the regatta site.
 - 3.3 Teams unable to compete must notify the designated regatta contact at the US Naval Academy and ISSA as soon as possible. The host district fills the first quota vacancy. ISSA will reallocate other vacant district quotas.
 - 3.4 Teams able to compete must confirm by email, fax or phone with the designated regatta contact.
 - 3.5 Regatta registration will take place on Friday May 21, 2004 between 1500 hours and 2000 hours or Saturday morning May 22 from 0730 - 0830 hours at the Robert Crown Sailing Center
4. **ENTRY FEE, INSURANCE AND BOAT DAMAGE DEPOSIT**
There will be an entry fee of \$125.00 per team. Each school should bring a certificate of insurance from their school, and medical release forms on all of their participants. A damage deposit check of \$300 per school, made payable to NAAA - Sailing, is required. Checks will be held until after the championship.
 5. **Boats**
A fleet of 12 collegiate 420s and a fleet of 12 FJs will be used.
 6. **Schedule**

Friday, May 21, 2004

- 1200 - 1800 Registration at USNA. Teams must register to get boat(s) for practice.
1400 - 1800 Boats available for practice - Three boats per team allowed.
1800 Free Evening.

Saturday, May 22, 2004

- 0730 - 0900 Last minute registration.
0800 - 0900 Rigging of Boats.
0900 Sailor's Meeting - MANDATORY.
1000 First Warning. Racing will continue throughout the day.
Teams should bring lunches.
After Racing Dinner at the Robert Crown Sailing Center.

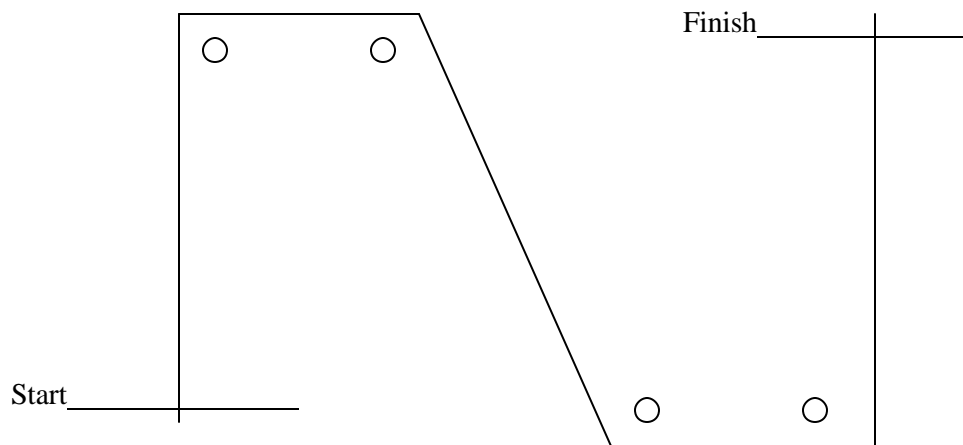
Sunday, May 22, 2004

- 0800 - 0900 Rigging of Boats.
0900 Sailor's Meeting - MANDATORY.
1000 First Warning. Racing will continue throughout the day.
Teams should bring lunches.

- 1600 No race will be started after this time, with the exception of a sail-off, if needed.
- 1700 Trophy Presentation and post regatta snacks.
All times are approximate. Changes will be posted on the Notice Board.

7. Race Area
Racing will be held in the Severn River or Annapolis Harbor

8. Courses
The Course will be a “Digital N” as seen in the diagram below. The race committee may also use a triangle with port or starboard roundings as described in the ISSA Procedural Rules. Target race times will be set to attempt to accomplish a full rotation.



9. Scoring
The regatta will be scored using ISSA Procedural rules.

10. Racing Format:
Weather permitting, a single round robin will be sailed to determine seeding. Top four teams will sail-off in a championship round-robin(s). Remaining teams will sail a double elimination series. Further information will be made available at registration.

11. Coaching
Team-leaders, chaperones, advisors, coaches and other support personnel shall not go afloat in the sailing area on May 21, 22, and 23. 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
Prizes will be awarded to schools placing 1st through 3rd. Additionally the top school will have its name engraved on the perpetual Baker Trophy.

13. Housing

Participants coordinate their own housing. A list of local motels can be provided and posted online at:

<http://usna.edu/SailingTeam/intercollegiate/faq.htm#hotels>

14. **Food**
The Naval Academy will not provide dinner Friday night, but there are several restaurants within a mile of campus. A list of restaurants and supermarkets will be available to interested parties. The regatta entry fee will include a BBQ at the Robert Crown Sailing Center Saturday night and snacks at the trophy presentation. **Lunches will not be provided; each team must bring their own.**
15. **Transportation**
Directions to the Naval Academy can be found at the above web link. The closest commercial airports are Baltimore's BWI airport (30 minutes, depending on traffic). Alternative airports are Washington Dulles (60 minutes) and Washington National (60 minutes). Supershuttle commercial shuttle service may provide ground transportation to or from BWI airport.
16. **Security**
Parking on the Naval Academy grounds is limited. Please limit your transportation to two vehicles per team. For those desiring to drive on Naval Academy grounds without Department of Defense decal, please visit the below listed site and register your vehicle for the regatta weekend at least five working days in advance of arrival.
<http://Navysports.com/info/visitingteam/gatepassform.asp>
17. **OFFICIAL NOTICE FOR ALL BAKER TROPHY PARTICIPANTS:**
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 and/or other discipline expectations occurring during May 21, 22, and 23 2004 may be the basis for disciplinary action. Discipline problems and this regulation's enforcement will be handled promptly by an adult Discipline Hearing Board which will consist of three adult members; the Regatta Chairperson, a member of the ISSA Board of Directors and the Chief Judge. Said Board shall, at a time and method selected by them, meet to hear said problem and their decision to impose scoring penalties, or other sanctions they alone deem appropriate, including summary removal from the entire regatta, shall be final without appeal permitted.
17. **Regatta Contact**
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