**NOTICE OF RACE**

**SEISA District Qualifying Regatta**

**for the**

**NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TEAM RACING CHAMPIONSHIP**

**April 6, 2014**

**Southern Yacht Club**

**New Orleans, LA.**

**1. RULES**

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the current edition of The Racing Rules of Sailing, the current 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 Entry Fee will be **$75 per high school team of 8 maximum** for the weekend (both Mallory and Baker Qualifiers) of sailing, lunches and drinks. Teams with 9 or more members will pay $10.00 for each additional member. 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 2013 – 2014 school year prior to sailing the event. Dues must be received no later than Saturday, April 5, 2014.

4.3 Make regatta registration and dues checks payable to: Southern Yacht Club.

 Registrations may be mailed to: Yvonne Pottharst -SEISA Mallory Elimination Regatta Chair

 c/o Southern Yacht Club

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**5. BOATS**

5.1 Club 420’s will be provided by Southern Yacht, University of New Orleans, and Tulane University. Each school will sail 3 – 420’S.

**6. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

**Sunday, April 6, 2014**

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.

Trophies will be presented after racing.

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**7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Sailing instructions will be available during check-in on Saturday and may be available online at [www.seisa.org](http://www.seisa.org) prior to the event.

**8. RACING AREA**

All races will be sailed on the waters of Lake Pontchartrain adjacent to the SYC harbor.

The location of the signal boat will be announced at the Competitor’s Meeting.

**9. SCORING**

9.1 Scoring will be per, RRS Appendix D, as modified by ISSA Procedural Rule 12.

**10. COURSES**

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

**11. PROTESTS**

11.1. Competitors protesting a boat shall comply with ISSA PR 16 NOTIFICATION (a) and (b) and RRS 61.1. Failure to do so may be grounds for closing the protest hearing under RRS 63.5.

11.2. Competitors shall not communicate with anyone other than competitors involved in the protest before reporting to the Race Committee the intention to file a protest. Having notified the Race Committee of this intent, the competitor shall not communicate with anyone other than competitors involved in the same protest until after the Protest Committee renders a decision. Breaking this rule may be grounds for closing the hearing.

11.3. No appeals will be allowed in accordance with ISSA PRs, Part VI, Section 16, (f). and RRS 70.5 (a) I 1.5(a) .

**12. COACHING**

Team leaders, chaperones, coaches, parents, advisors and other support personnel shall not go afloat in the sailing area on personal craft 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. If a floating dock is towed out to the race course, it is considered an extension of the land once it is anchored. The penalty for failing to comply with this requirement may be the disqualification ofall boats, competitors and teams associated with the infringing support personnel.

**13. PRIZES**

First place will qualify for the 2014 NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TEAM RACING CHAMPIONSHIPS for the BAKER TROPHY. It will be hosted by the Southeast Interscholastic Sailing Association (SEISSA) at Lakewood Yacht Club, Seabrook, Texas, May 24-25, 2014.

**14. IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL MALLORY 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 this weekend 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.

**15. REGATTA CONTACTS**

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