



SEISA

**SEISA District 2024 Keelboat Championship Regatta
(Qualifier for the ISSA High School Keelboat Championship)**

October 26, 2024

Organizing Authority: SEISA

Hosted by: Lakewood Yacht Club (LYC)

**NOTICE OF RACE
POSTED (10/10/2024)**

1. RULES

1.1 The Organizing Authority will govern the regatta by the rules as defined in the 2021-2024 edition of *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), the [ISSA Procedural Rules](#), [the SEISA District Rules](#), this Notice of Race, and the Sailing Instructions.

1.2 Appendix P may be enforced and will be modified by ISSA Procedural Rule 14(c).

1.3 In accordance with RRS 70.5(a), decisions of the protest committee are final. US SAILING's permission has been granted.

2. Classes

2.1 All races will be sailed on RS21's.

3. SAFETY

3.1 All competitors must wear USCG approved, non-inflatable personal flotation device (PFD) in good repair, at all times on the water, except to quickly change clothing.

3.2 Per ISSA PR 2.5, a team uniform/pinnie shall be worn outside the PFD.

4. ELIGIBILITY

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

4.2 Teams shall be comprised of a crew of 4 with at least one crew member being of the opposite gender. The maximum crew weight for each 4-person team shall be 650lbs. Teams will weigh in a regatta check-in.

4.3 Each SEISA member school is permitted to enter two teams. The first 10 teams to register will be allocated a LYC RS21 to sail in the event.

4.4 Competitors shall be in 9th - 12th grade.

4.5 Competitors must be accompanied by a designated adult team leader/chaperone who is responsible for and must accompany the school's team at the regatta site. This adult may be an adviser, coach, or parent recognized by the school.

4.6 Competitors must be registered (names listed) under their High School in the ISSA database.

5. ENTRY

5.1 The entry fee is \$185 which includes charter of the RS21 for the regatta.

5.2 A team is not entered until the registration form is complete and payment has been made.

5.3 Entry and forms may be found on Regatta Network at:

<https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/28829>

6. BOATS

This event will be sailing on RS21 chartered by Lakewood Yacht Club. Boats will be sailed as provided.

7. DAMAGE DEPOSIT

7.1 Each skipper will be required to provide a \$1000 damage deposit prior to the start of racing by providing a Visa or MasterCard at check in. In addition to damage to the provided boats, the damage deposit(s) may be used to pay for the repair of damage to official race committee boats caused by competitors.

7.2 \$1000 is the extent of each skipper's liability for any one incident. If the damage deposit is partially or wholly used, the skipper will be required to replenish the deposit.

8. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, October 25, 2024	1200	Entry & Deadline submission via electronic mail
Saturday, October 26, 2024	0800-0900	Registration and check-in, rigging of boats
	0900	Competitors Meeting
	0915	Harbor Start
	0930 – 1100	Practice
	1100	First start
	1730	No race started after

8.1 Changes to schedule will be posted on the notice board by 1900 the day before changes go into effect.

9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available by 1700 hours Wednesday September 18, 2024.

10. RACING AREA

10.1 Weather and conditions will dictate if racing occurs inside Clear Lake or on Galveston Bay.

11. SCORING

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

11.2 One race must be completed to count as a qualifier.

12. COACHING

12.1 Per ISSA Procedural Rule 8, on the water coaching is allowed from anchored boats only in the designated coaching area. Coaches assisting with regatta management duties may leave this area, but may not coach from outside the area. All coaches shall be given equal opportunity to coach. Please coordinate ahead of time to secure a spot on another coach's boat if you do not intend to bring your own. ISSA Procedural rule 8(d) dictates that disqualification of the sailor is the result of breaking this rule.

12.2 Per ISSA Procedural Rule 8, on the water spectating will be allowed from anchored spectator boats only

in the designated spectator area. Spectators may not communicate with the sailors during the regatta. ISSA Procedural rule 8(d) dictates that disqualification of the sailor is the result of breaking this rule.

12.3 Per ISSA PR 8(b), any sailor who intends to protest MUST report to the race committee BEFORE talking with any support personnel in coach boats. Failure to do this may be grounds for closing the protest hearing. This changes RRS 61.

13. PRIZES

13.1 First place team will qualify for the 2024 ISSA National Keelboat Invitational held at St Petersburg YC December 10-11, 2024 organized by ISSA.

14. IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL REGATTA 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 September 23-24, 2023, may be the basis for a hearing under Rule 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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