



## **2020 Soling North American Championship April 23-26, 2020**

### **ORGANIZING AUTHORITY**

**International Soling Class (ISA)**  
in conjunction with  
**Severn Sailing Association**

*Severn Sailing  
Association  
311 First Street  
Annapolis, MD 21403*

### **Notice of Race (NoR)**

*The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the NoR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification (RRS 64.1).*

#### **1 RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The following US Sailing prescriptions will apply: RRS 61.4, and the prescriptions to rules 60.3, 67, 76.1.
- 1.3 The ISA Championship Rules will apply.
- 1.4 Changes to any of the rules applying to the regatta shall be approved and signed by the ISA Liaison Officer appointed to the event.

#### **2 [DP] ADVERTISING**

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority. If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies.

#### **3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all yachts of the International Soling Class as prescribed in Championship Rule 4 – Eligibility.
- 3.2 ISA Membership is required for all crew members. Membership fees will be collected

- from any crew member failing to present proof of previously paid membership fee.
- 3.3 All yachts shall display the ISA sticker for the current year.
- 3.4 Eligible boats may enter online at <http://na.soling.com> Participants must complete registration, including measurement check and payment of all fees prior to racing.

#### 4 CLASSIFICATION

Sailor classification does not apply.

#### 5 FEES

- 5.1 The entry fee will be \$450 USD (no other currencies will be accepted) if received on or before April 1st, or \$500 USD if received after April 1st, and may be paid by VISA, MC, debit card, money order, bank transfer or bank draft. The entry fee includes 75 Euro ISA championship fee, and SSA non-member registration fee, launch, haul out, mooring, trailer storage, racing, a regatta souvenir, and social events Thursday and Friday after sailing.
- 5.2 Registration is completed after payments are received and registration forms are signed at the registration office before 0900 on Thursday April 22<sup>nd</sup>. Late check-in by permission of the organizing authority.
- 5.3 Bank Information:

#### 6 QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES

There will be no qualifying series or final series.

#### 7 SCHEDULE

- 7.1 Registration:  
The Office at Severn Sailing Association (311 First Street, Annapolis, MD 21403) will be open for registration from 1000 - 1800 on Wednesday April 22<sup>nd</sup>
- 7.2 Launch:  
Launch will be at the cranes of Severn Sailing Association from 1200-1700 on Wednesday April 22<sup>nd</sup>. All boats shall be in the water by 1000 on Thursday April 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- 7.3 Sail inspection and event stamping will take place in the club room of the Severn Sailing Association clubhouse on Wednesday April 22<sup>nd</sup>, from 1200 – 1700 and from 0800 and 1000 on Thursday April 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- 7.4 Dates of Racing:

| <u>Date</u>                     | <u>Races</u> | <u>Start Time</u> |
|---------------------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Thursday April 23 <sup>rd</sup> | 2            | 1200              |
| Friday April 24 <sup>th</sup>   | 3            | 1100              |
| Saturday April 25 <sup>th</sup> | 3            | 1100              |
| Sunday April 26 <sup>th</sup>   | 2            | 1000              |

- 7.5 There will be no warning signal on the last racing day (April 26) after 14:00

#### 8 MEASUREMENT

Sail and safety inspection will be conducted between 1200 and 1700 on Wednesday April 22<sup>nd</sup>. Other measurement checks may be conducted.

#### 9 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available at registration or may be available online at [www.severnsailing.org](http://www.severnsailing.org) & <http://na.soling.com>

## **10 VENUE, COURSE AREA**

Racing will be in the waters of Chesapeake Bay, south of Annapolis.

## **11 THE COURSES**

Standard ISA Championship courses will be used.

## **12 PENALTY SYSTEM**

12.1 In the first sentence of RRS 44.1, delete "Two-Turns" and replace with "One-Turn."

12.2 An International Jury will be appointed in accordance with RRS Appendix N. Their decisions will final and not subject to appeal in accordance with RRS 70.4.

## **13 SCORING**

13.1 The Low Points Scoring System of RRS A4 will apply.

13.2 Four (4) races are required to be completed to constitute a valid championship.

13.3 Excluded Scores

a) When fewer than six (6) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

b) When six (6) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## **14 [DP] RADIO COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS**

14.1 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

14.2 If on-board tracking is adopted by the organizing authority, boats are required to carry on-board a tracking device/smartphone with a specific tracking system (Kwindoo) installed and running, with devices fully charged.

## **15 PRIZES**

- Medals for the top three teams
- North American Championship Trophy
- Jack van Dyke Trophy
- Daily First
- Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Authority

## **16 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

16.1 RRS 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone." Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omission;
- d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organizers does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;

16.2 The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances

**17 INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 US Dollars (or equivalent) for other boats per incident for the duration of the regatta.

**19 PHOTO AND VIDEO DISCLAIMER**

By participating in the event, competitors give absolute right and permission for any photograph and video footage taken of themselves or the boat they are sailing during the event to be published in any media whatsoever, for either editorial or advertising purposes or to be used in press information without compensation.

**22 FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information please contact LeAnne Myhre at [curlew149@gmail.com](mailto:curlew149@gmail.com).