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ISSA Single-Handed CHAMPIONSHIP
For the
CRESSY TROPHY
Hosted by
American Yacht Club
499 Stuyvesant Ave, Rye, NY 10580
October 30 - November 1, 2026

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES:

1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028*, the ISSA Procedural Rules, the ISSA Code of Conduct, the ISSA National Championship General Conditions and the Scholastic Dinghy Class Rules.

1.2. The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Interscholastic Sailing Association (ISSA) in conjunction with American YC.

1.3. Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, as modified by ISSA Procedural Rule 13(c) will be in effect.

1.4. Rule 60.4(a)(2) is changed as follows: "(2) if it alleges a breach of a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 and is from a boat that was not involved in, and did not see, the incident, or"

1.5. A protesting boat shall, at the first reasonable opportunity after finishing, notify the Race Committee of its intent to protest. Failure to do so makes her protest invalid. This changes rule 60.4 and ISSA PR 15b.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS: The sailing instructions will be posted on the ISSA Website prior to the report time for the regatta.

3. COMMUNICATION: The online official notice board will be Tech Score.

4. ELIGIBILITY.

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

4.2. Selection of competing schools will be by district elimination. The regatta has 36 berths (12 ILCA 7 (open), 12 ILCA 6 (Girls), 12 ILCA 6 (Boys). Allocations per distinct have been determined by the ISSA Board. Schools should contact their district directors to find out details on district qualifiers.

5. ENTRY & FEES

5.1. Eligible schools and sailors must enter by submitting an official online entry form through ClubSpot and making payment at the time of registration.

5.2. The entry deadline is October 20, 2026 If the elimination for your district is to be held after this date, please have the district director contact the regatta chair immediately so arrangements can be made.

5.3. Teams unable to compete must notify the regatta chair and ISSA as soon as possible.

5.4. ISSA will reallocate vacant district quotas. The first open allocation will go to the host district (NESSA). A berth becomes vacant when the qualifying district becomes unable to fill the berth.
5.5. The Entry Fee is $150 per competitor payable during online registration via credit card. Entry fee includes racing, post racing snacks on Saturday and Sunday.

6. BOATS:

6.1. All boats will be through mandatory charter through the official supplier: ZIM Sailing.
6.2. Class legal ILCA 6 & 7 equipment shall be used.
6.3. OA provided sails shall be used.
6.4. OA Provided spars (masts and booms) shall be used.
6.5. Blades, tillers & extensions, and line packages are to be provided by each competitor. Blades may be chartered through ZIM Sailing for an additional fee.
6.6. Charter information can be found at at https://zimsailing.com/cressy/
6.7. There will be no rotation of boats.
6.8. ILCA Class legal electronic or analog compasses are permitted.
6.9. No electronic communication or GPS devices are permitted

7. SCHEDULE:

Friday, Oct. 30, 2026
1:00-5:30pm On-site Check in at American YC, Charter boat pick-up, and sail assignment.
The venue is open for practice.

Saturday, Oct 31, 2026
0900-Report time/Check in/Rigging of boats
0930-Sailors' meeting. First warning will be announced at this time. Post race snacks

Sunday, Nov 1, 2026
0900-Report time
0945-First Warning and schedule for the day
1500-No race will start after this time. Trophy presentation as soon as possible after racing

Changes to the schedule will be posted on the official notice board by 1800 the day prior to the schedule change.

8. RACING AREA: All races will be sailed in Long Island Sound off of American YC. The ISSA National Championship Regatta Conditions - Rule 5 Applies.

9. TRAVEL AND HOUSING:

9.1. For sailors flying in, the closest airport is Westchester County Airport (HPN), followed closely by John F. Kennedy International Airport (JFK) and LaGuardia Airport (LGA)
9.2. There are various hotel options in and around Rye, NY. The Courtyard Marriott is the closest major hotel (631 Midland Ave, Rye, NY 10580). Additional options are located a short drive away in Stamford, CT, White Plains, NY, and New Rochelle, NY.

10. **COACHING:** Team leaders, chaperones, coaches, parents, advisors and other support personnel shall not go afloat in the sailing area from the start of the Check in time on Friday until the end of the regatta unless explicitly permitted by the regatta chair. 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.

11. **PRIZES:** Prizes will be awarded to schools placing 1st, 2nd and 3rd in the regatta in each fleet. The top school in each fleet will have their names engraved on the perpetual Cressy trophy.

12. **RIGHTS TO USE NAME, IMAGE, AND LIKENESS (NIL):** ISSA PR 5.3 shall apply.

13. **WAIVER OF LIABILITY:** Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race.

    The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

14. **REGATTA CONTACTS:**

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