

NOTICE OF RACE

Thistle Michiana District Championship Regatta Thistle Class Association

June 26, 2021

Indianapolis Sailing Club - Indianapolis, Indiana

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY: This Thistle Class regatta is organized by TCA, Thistle Fleet 69, and the Indianapolis Sailing Club (ISC). The management of this regatta is supervised by Thistle Fleet #69.

RULES: The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of US Sailing (utilizing the 2021 revisions) except for changes to RRS #32 & scoring, current TCA rules, and by the Thistle Michiana District Championship Regatta Sailing Instructions.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS: The Thistle Michiana District Championship Regatta Sailing Instructions will be posted on the TCA website, ISC website, at regatta registration and on the Thistle Class Bulletin Board inside the ISC Clubhouse.

COMMUNICATION: While racing, from the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. On the water, the Race Committee may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio channel 68.

ELIGIBILITY, ENTRY, & FEES: This regatta is open only to Thistle Class sailboats that have been measured, certified, and registered as specified by the TCA. Boats, sails, spars, safety and other equipment must be available for measurement and inspection prior to the start of racing in this event. Any boat failing to comply with these eligibility requirements shall be prohibited from sailing in the Thistle Michiana District Championship Regatta. The helmsperson of each Thistle sailboat properly entered in this event must be in good standing with the TCA. All crew members and helmspersons shall be amateur sailors. Eligible boats may enter the Thistle Michiana District Championship Regatta by completing the regatta entry form and paying the required entry fee of \$15; helmspersons who have not yet reached their 20th birthday will be required pay only \$10.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS: All times posted are Eastern Daylight.

Registration:

Saturday, June 26, 2021 9:00AM to 11:00AM

Competitors' Meeting:

Saturday, June 26, 2021 11:01AM

Races: Saturday, June 26, 2021 warning signal 11:55AM

Multiple races to be sailed back-to-back. No race shall start after 4:00PM.

NOTE: Starting times may be changed because of weather conditions.

Participants will be notified with official notices being posted on the Thistle Class bulletin board located inside the ISC clubhouse.

VENUE: Racing will take place on Geist Reservoir, in navigable waters, from the area immediately to the left of the mouth of the ISC harbor, downstream (to the right and ahead), to the reservoir dam.

COURSES: The course for each race will be posted on the sides of the RC boat at or prior to the warning signal for that race. Course Symbols to be used will be: WL indicates that a windward-leeward course will be sailed. A triangle shape will indicate that a triangular course will be sailed.

PENALTY SYSTEM. The Two Turns penalty, RRS# 44.2 shall apply. Decisions of the jury will be final in accordance with racing rule 70.5(b).

SCORING: The Low Point System as described in US Sailing Appendix A4 will be used. A5.2 will be amended, such that a boat that does not start a race will be awarded points equal to the number of boats entered in the event; a boat that does not finish a race that it started will be awarded points equal to the total number of boats that started that particular race; a boat that is disqualified or retires after finishing will be awarded points equal to one more than the number of boats entered in the regatta. Multiple races are planned for the event. One race is required to be sailed to constitute this event as a regatta.

RISK STATEMENT. By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks, among which are strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue. Competitors participate in these races entirely at their own risk. See RRS #3, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the races.

INSURANCE. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$1000 (US) per incident or equivalent.

PRIZES: Awards will be given to the helmsperson and crews placing first thru third in the regatta.

FURTHER INFORMATION & ADVANCE REGISTRATION: please contact:

Paul Dovey
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Indianapolis, IN 46256-1645 or thistle537@gmail.com

BEFORE YOU LEAVE TO COME TO THIS EVENT:

Things to consider bringing along in addition to your sailing gear: masks, sanitary wipes, hand sanitizer, and personal drink bottles, and water. US Sailing suggests wearing masks on land especially where social distancing is difficult to maintain (any indoor bathrooms, in launch area & on the docks and ramp, etc.). For multi-handed boats, buffs (neck-gaiters) might be appropriate on the water

AT THE EVENT:

Please leave an empty space between boat trailers for 6ft of social distancing during setup and knockdown. Sailors are discouraged from helping set up other boats in the parking lots. Once your boat is launched, please sail away from the dock as quickly as possible, to clear the docks & ramp for other launchings.

Competitors' Meeting: This meeting will be held near the RC boat mooring under a large oak tree. Masks and 6ft social distancing will be required.

On the Water:

Sailors are encouraged to arbitrate all rule disputes on the water so protest committee meetings can be avoided as much as possible. In the event that a protest committee is absolutely required, it will be held, masks will be required and 6ft social distance between persons.

After Racing:

There will be no after-racing social meeting.

Please maintain social distancing and wear masks while packing up your boat.

INDIANAPOLIS SAILING CLUB - THISTLE FLEET #69
MICHIANA DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIP
REGATTA ENTRY FORM

June 26, 2021

SKIPPER: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ E-MAIL: _____

CREW #1: _____ CREW #2: _____

BOAT #: _____ FLEET # _____ HULL COLOR: _____

Senior Registration Fee: _____ \$ 15.00

Junior Registration Fee: _____ \$ 10.00

Cash _____ Check # _____

RELEASE AND WAIVER

In consideration of my acceptance in this activity, I knowingly and willingly intend to be legally bound hereby on behalf of myself, my heirs, executors and administrators waive and release the Indianapolis Sailing Club, Inc., its officers, directors, employees, agents and representatives, successors and assigns from any and all rights and claims for damages I may have arising either out of illness or injuries suffered by my property in this activity, including those which may be attributable to weather and water conditions. I agree to be bound by The Racing Rules of Sailing, TCA rules, and this event's Sailing Instructions.

Skipper: _____ Date: _____

Crew #1: _____ Date: _____

Crew #2: _____ Date: _____