

Bellingham Fleet Gold April 2-3 Bellingham, WA

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES:

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing, the ISSA Procedural Rules, the Scholastic Dinghy Class Rules, and the NWISA District Rules
- 1.2. Under rule 70.5(a), the right of appeal is denied.

2. ELIGIBILITY:

- 2.1. This is an Open Regatta as described in the NWISA District Rules. 'Active' and 'Mixed' teams may attend.
- 2.2. Teams shall be accompanied by a designated adult team leader, who may be an advisor, coach or parent recognized by the school.

3. ENTRY AND ENTRY FEE:

- 3.1. All NWISA teams are encouraged to participate. If you need assistance with boats, with registration, or have questions about the regatta please contact the regatta host or district representative.
- 3.2. Eligible schools shall register through the NWISA website link. Registration is on a first come, first served basis if berths are limited. Registration opens Monday 3/21 at 1100.
- 3.3. <u>Registration closes</u> Monday 3/28 at 2200. Additional registrations are allowed after this time, but teams may be turned away if event capacity is reached.
- 3.4. Teams unable to compete once registration closes, shall notify the regatta chair as soon as possible.
- 3.5. Each competitor must have a signed waiver on file.
- 3.6. An entry fee of \$5 payable to: "Whatcom Community Sailing" per sailor will be collected at check in (programs bringing multiple teams must pay per team).

4. BOATS AND FORMAT:

4.1. This regatta will be sailed in FJs.

4.2. Teams should plan to bring necessary boats to fill each fleet. Please bring quality, class legal sails for Gold Fleet boats. Register all sail numbers in the registration spreadsheet ASAP to avoid any duplicates.

5. SCHEDULE:

Saturday, April 2

1000	Report time. Registration.
1030	Mandatory Competitors' Meeting.
1100	Registration ends.
1100	First warning: sailing will continue throughout the day.

Sunday, April 3

0900	Report time.
1000	First warning; sailing will continue throughout the day.
1500	No race will be started after this time,
1530	Results and Awards Presentation.

Any changes to the schedule will be posted on the Official Notice Board located near the top of the Zuanich dock ramp.

6. RACING AREA:

- **6.1.** All races will be sailed on Bellingham Bay.
- **6.2.** Boat rotations will occur from the Zuanich Dock.

7. HOUSING:

7.1. Housing will be provided on a limited basis. Email whatcomsailing@gmail.com if your team needs housing.

8. TRAVEL AND TRANSPORTATION:

Teams are responsible for their own transportation. The address of the regatta site is: Zuanich Point Park, 2600 N Harbor Loop Dr. Bellingham, WA.

9. COACHING:

- 9.1. Team leaders, chaperones, coaches, parents, advisors, and other support personnel shall not go afloat in the sailing area from Saturday morning to the end of racing Sunday unless an exception has been 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.
- 9.2. Competitors may receive coaching including instructions, assistance, equipment, or sustenance only while on the designated rotation float or on shore.

9.3. Race committee VHF channel 69

10. DRONES:

10.1. The use of drones is expressly prohibited, as stated in ISSA Procedural Rule 5.2.

11. CONDUCT

- 11.1. 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.
- 11.2. Infringements of this regulation and/or other inappropriate conduct occurring during the regatta, may be the basis for a hearing under RRS 69.1. The protest committee for such a hearing shall, at a time and place selected by it, meet to hear said protest, and it may impose scoring penalties, or other sanctions that it deems appropriate, including summary removal from the regatta.

12. REGATTA CONTACTS:

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