



*Collegiate Offshore Sailing Circuit - Fall Offshore Series 2021*

*Down to the Sound- September 18 & 19*

*Newport, RI to Oakcliff Sailing, Oyster Bay, NY*

*Oakcliff Sailing Overnight- September 25 & 26*

*Oakcliff Sailing, Oyster Bay, NY*

*Intercollegiate Offshore Regatta – October 9 & 10*

*Larchmont YC, Larchmont, NY*

### Notice of Series (NoS)

The Organizing Authority for the series is the Collegiate Offshore Sailing Circuit, Inc in partnership with Oakcliff Sailing, the Storm Trysail Club and the Larchmont Yacht Club.

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

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

## 1 RULES

1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

1.3 Between the hours of sunset and sunrise, the rules of Part 2 are replaced with the *International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea* ("IRPCAS").

1.4 [NP] [DP] Federal, state, and local rules regarding COVID-19 guidance, if in effect, will apply.



1.5 Tracking – Each boat will be supplied with a GPS transponder used for position reports. Competitors shall not interfere with the operation of this device.

1.6 When Rule 20 applies, a boat may indicate her need for room to tack or her response by verbal hail or VHF radio. This changes Rule 20.

## 2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 The sailing instructions for each race in the series will be available after 1800 on September 10, 2021 at [www.yachtscoring.com](http://www.yachtscoring.com).

2.2 The sailing instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and supplementary sailing instructions that will be on the official notice board at [www.yachtscoring.com](http://www.yachtscoring.com) .

## 3 COMMUNICATION

3.1 The official notice board is located online at [www.yachtscoring.com](http://www.yachtscoring.com) .

3.2 [DP] All boats shall carry an operating VHF radio capable of communicating on channel 78 and a fully charged and working cell phone, the number of which shall be on file with COSC.

3.3 On the water, the race committee may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio on channel 78. Failure to make any broadcast is not grounds for redress.



#### 4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1 The event is open to all boats of the Figaro 2 class that are owned by COSC. Competitors interested in the Series and who need a Figaro 2 should contact the Organizing Authority at [info@cosc-usa.org](mailto:info@cosc-usa.org) .

4.4 Boats may enter the event by registering online at [www.yachtscoring.com](http://www.yachtscoring.com) .

4.5 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.

4.6 Late entries may be accepted at the sole discretion of the OA.

#### 5 FEES

5.1 Entry fees per boat for the entire Series are as follows:

Early Entry Fee until July 31, 2021	Standard Fee until September 1, 2021
<i>\$150.00</i>	<i>\$200.00</i>

6.1 Crews shall consist of no more than four individuals, of which at least one will be female. All must be registered full time students at a college, university or service academy plus one safety officer. For a total of five on board.



## 7 ADVERTISING

7.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

## 8 QUALIFYING FOR SERIES AWARDS

8.1 The event will consist of three events with awards based on the cumulative scores of all three events. Only boats competing in both distance races and the IOR Regatta will be considered for the overall award.

## 9 SCHEDULE

9.1 Registration: All registration must be done in advance and online.

9.3 Dates of racing:

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>	<i>Start Time</i>
September 18, 2021	Down to the Sound	1100 September 18, 2021
September 25, 2021	Oakcliff Sailing Overnight	1200 September 25, 2021
October 9 & 10, 2021	Intercollegiate Offshore Regatta (IOR)	TBD October 9 & 10, 2021



## 10 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

10.3 Boats will be inspected by the OA prior to the start the first race of the Series.

10.4 [NP] Boats shall also comply with RRS 78.1 at all times during the Series.

14.1 The Scoring Penalty, RRS 44.3, shall apply.

## 15 SCORING

15.1 The scoring system is as defined in Appendix A.

15.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

15.4 A boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores, there is no throw out. Distance race scores will be weighted at 2.0 times the scores for the IOR Regatta scores. Only boats competing in both distance races and the IOR Regatta will be considered for the overall award.

15.5 Rule A5.3 shall apply.

## 16 SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

16.1 [DP] Support person vessels shall be marked with code Flag Delta.



## 17 SAFETY

- 17.1 Attention is drawn to RRS 1.2 Life Saving Equipment: "Each competitor is individually responsible for wearing personal buoyancy for the conditions". This includes but is not limited to the following:
- a) Between the hours of sunset and sunrise;
  - b) When alone on deck;
  - c) When Reefed;
  - d) When the true wind speed is over 25 knots or more;
  - e) When visibility is less than 1 nautical mile; and
  - f) With due consideration of the water temperature;
  - g) At all times when a boat is being sailed with two people on deck;
  - h) By all crew on deck at all other times unless the person in charge has indicated they may be set aside.

## 18 BERTHING

- 18.1 [DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while in the harbor.

## 19 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 19.1 [DP] Keelboats shall not be hauled out during the event except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.



## 20 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

20.1 All boats will have their bottoms cleaned by a contractor supplied by the Organizing Authority. Only that contractor may clean the bottoms.

## 21 RISK STATEMENT

21.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury.

**Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

## 22 PRIZES

22.1 Prizes will be awarded for each of the individual races as well as for the overall Series.

## 23 FURTHER INFORMATION

23.1 For further information please contact *info@cosc-usa.org*.