



2026 WASZP HS / COLLEGE QUALIFIER 2026

Sailors will qualify through four regional events beginning in January 2026, with the top three high school sailors and top three college sailors from each region advancing:

Region 1 – West Coast Qualifier – Jan. 31-Feb 1, 2026 – Coronado, CA

Region 2 – South Qualifier – Jan. 31-Feb 1, 2026 – Jensen Beach, FL

Region 3 – Great Lakes Qualifier – May. 9–10, 2026 – Muskegon, MI

Region 4 – Northeast Qualifier – Apr. 25–26, 2026 – Annapolis, MD

Championship - May 30–31, 2026 – Hosted by Toms River Yacht Club

Notice of Race (NoR) & Sailing Instructions (SI)

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

1. Rules

1.1 Racing will be governed by the **Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)** and the **WASZP Class Rules**.

1.2 In case of conflict, the Sailing Instructions (SIs) take precedence over the Notice of Race (NoR). This changes RRS 63.5(c).

1.3 Appendix T, Arbitration, may be used.

1.4 Appendix P (on-water judging) may be applied at the discretion of the OA.

2. Eligibility and Entry

2.1 The event is open to sailors enrolled full-time in high school (grades 9–12 or national equivalent) or in an accredited post-secondary institution during the 2025–2026 academic year and region is specified as the location within which you are enrolled. Proof of enrollment may be requested by the OA.

2.2 Competitors shall be a member of the WASZP Class Association.

2.3 Entries shall be made through the official event website on RaceHub before the published deadline.

2.4 Each sailor must provide their own WASZP and equipment or arrange their own charter.

2.5 Entry fees are as follows:

Early Bird Registration: \$150

Region 1 Closes Dec 15, 2025.

Region 2 Closes Dec 15, 2025.

Region 3 Closes Mar 22nd, 2026.

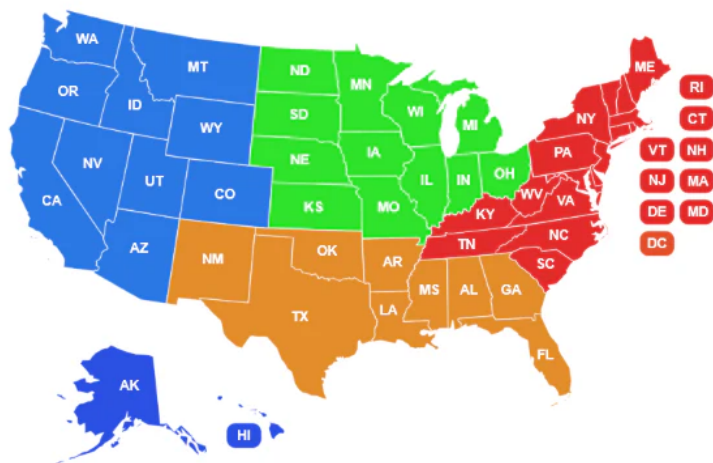
Region 4 Closes Mar 8, 2026.

Regular Registration: \$200 (Within 45 days of event)

Fees include racing and access to all scheduled socials and awards as listed on RaceHub.

No refunds will be offered.

2.6 [NP] If Vakaros digital racing is used, competitors shall either charter or provide their own working device.



3. Equipment

3.1 Any rig may be used. All rigs will race on the same rating.

3.2 Equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance. Boats, sails, and foils may be measured or marked by the Technical Committee (TC).

3.3 [DP] Charter boats, where provided through www.foilfast.com, shall not be altered or modified without the permission of the charterer.

4. Safety [DP]

4.1 Competitors shall wear a **U.S. Coast Guard-approved personal flotation device** at all times while afloat, except briefly while changing clothing.

4.2 **Helmets are required** at all times while afloat, except briefly while changing clothing.

4.3 Competitors shall follow **sign-in and sign-out instructions** as communicated at the daily skippers meeting.

5. Advertising [DP][NP]

5.1 Competitors shall display event-specific advertising supplied by the OA.

6. Coaching and Support [DP]

6.1 Support vessels shall not enter the starting area and shall not interfere with boats racing.

6.2 Support vessels must register with the OA and follow all instructions from the Race Committee (RC).

6.3 Support vessel operators shall wear lifejackets, use a functioning kill cord and carry a VHF radio.

7. Schedule

7.1 The schedule will be as listed on the official Notice Board located on RaceHub, .

7.2 [DP][NP] Registration and inspection shall be completed **in the morning of the first day of racing**.

7.3 Racing is scheduled over **two days**, with up to **six races per day**.

7.4 A competitors' meeting will be held before the first warning signal on the first day.

7.5 The fleet will launch when conditions are optimal for racing. Sailors should be prepared to launch **from dawn to dusk** based on wind conditions and direction.

8. Format

8.1 All competitors will race in **one fleet**. All boats will be scored together but results will also be divided into **high school** and **college** divisions.

9. Courses

9.1 Courses will be determined in partnership with the venue each day based on conditions, but may include windward/leeward courses, sprint courses and courses with reaching starts. Sample diagrams are listed in Appendix A for some courses.

9.2 Course diagrams will be posted on the official notice board on RaceHub.

10. Scoring

10.1 **Three races** shall be completed to constitute a series.

10.2 When fewer than five races have been scored, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

10.3 When five to nine races have been scored, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

10.4 When ten or more races have been scored, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

11. Penalties and Protests

11.1 RRS 44.1 and P2.1 are changed so that the Two-Turns penalty is replaced by the One-Turn penalty interpreted as one tack and one gybe.

11.2 The penalty for a breach of a class rule may be less than disqualification.

12. Launching and Recovery

[DP][NP] Boats shall launch and recover only from designated areas as directed by the OA. Foiling within harbor or restricted zones is prohibited unless authorized.

13. Prizes

Prizes will be awarded to:

- Top 3 High School Sailors
- Top 3 College Sailors

Additional awards may be announced by the OA.

14. Conduct

[DP] All participants and support persons shall follow principles of sportsmanship, safety, and fair play.

15. Media Rights

By entering, competitors grant the OA and the WASZP Class the unrestricted right to use photographs, video, and other media of the event, including onboard cameras, without compensation.

16. Liability and Insurance

Competitors participate entirely at their own risk (see RRS 3). The OA, race officials, sponsors, and venue accept no liability for material damage or personal injury. Each competitor shall maintain third-party liability insurance with minimum coverage as stated in the entry form.

17. Environmental Responsibility

[DP][NP] Competitors and support teams shall minimize environmental impact and comply with all waste disposal and recycling requirements established by the OA.

18. Notices and Amendments

Official notices and changes to these Instructions will be posted on the **Official Notice Board** and/or a **Digital Notice Board** on RaceHub. Changes made ashore will be posted not later than one hour before the first scheduled warning signal.

19. Governing Law

This event and all disputes will be governed by the laws of the host country and venue, subject to the Racing Rules of Sailing.

Organizing Authority: Severn Sailing Association / Nicholas Draper

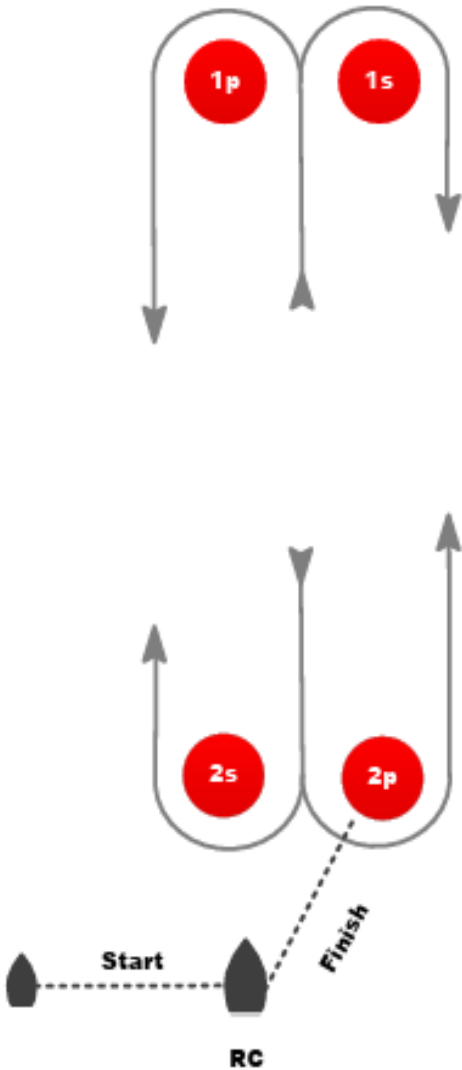
Venue: Annapolis, MD

Dates: April 25-26, 2026

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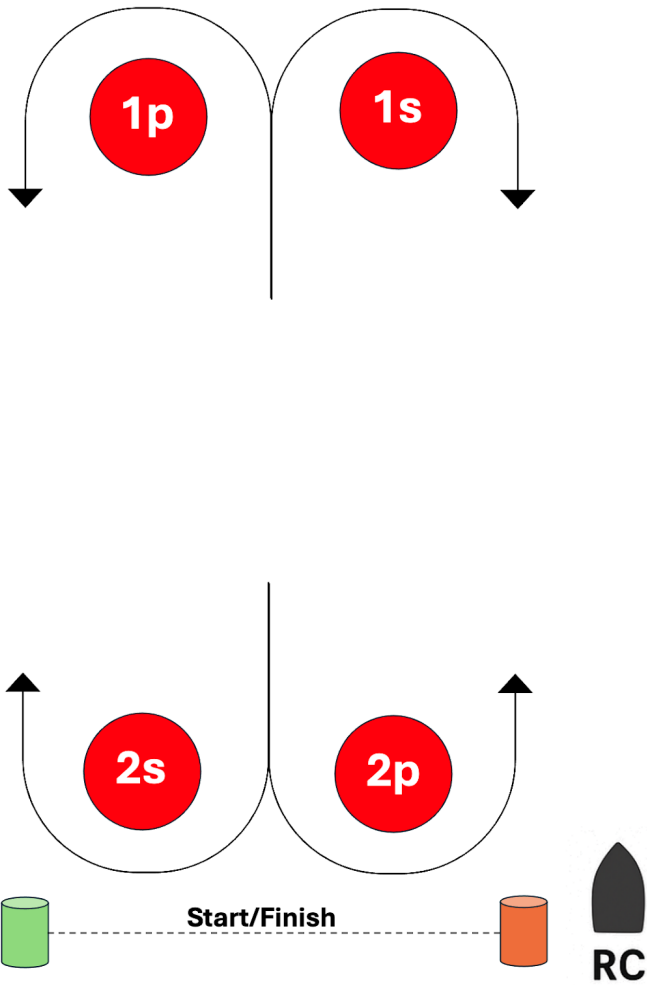
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