

## Provisional Procedural Rules for 2022 Only

**A. Membership in NESSA and ISSA** is strongly encouraged, but not required.

**B. Divisions and conferences** shall be as follows:

### **A Division**

#### Conferences:

- **A Coastal** - Duxbury, Manchester-Essex, St. John's Prep, Winchester
- **A Inland**- Dover-Sherborn, Lincoln-Sudbury, Sharon, Wayland, Wellesley

### **B Division**

#### Conferences:

- **B North**- Beverly, Concord Academy, Gloucester, Landmark, Pingree, Swamscott/Salem, Winthrop
- **B south** - BB&N, Boston Latin, Brookline, East Boston, Hingham, Nantasket, Norwell/NDA, Scituate

**C. Trophies** shall be presented as follows:

- Conference Winner + runner-up\* for each of four conferences scored
- A Division winner
- B Division winner
- A Championship TR Regatta winner
- B Championship TR Regatta winner

**D. Scoring** An ELO scoring/ranking system shall be used to determine all conference and divisional standings. All teams will be ranked in the same system. Divisional and conference standings will be determined by sequencing the rankings of each team within the division and conference.

**E. Scheduling** In order to be eligible for trophies a team must race at least 3 teams within their division and at least five different teams in total. Racing outside of conferences and divisions is encouraged. All meets with A or B Division teams, regardless of conference, count towards the ranking. A second meet between two teams also counts towards the rankings. A third meet does not.

**F. Cancellations and forfeits** A team forfeits a meet if it fails to report or fails to cancel a scheduled meet with less than 48 hours' notice. There are no other penalties for NOT sailing a meet.

**G. Team race tournaments.** The A Division tournament will have eight berths and the B Division tournament will have 4 berths. Berths will be awarded and seeded according to ELO ranking. B Division teams are also eligible for the A Division tournament if their ranking is among the highest eight in the league.

**H. Promotion and Relegation** The two highest ranking B Division teams at the end of each season will move to the A Division for the following year. The two lowest ranking A Division teams will move to the B Division for the following year. Conferences within divisions may be reconfigured to accommodate teams moving up and down.