



Annapolis to Miles River Race

Saturday, 27 May 2017

Hosted by Miles River Yacht Club

Assisted by Eastport Yacht Club

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Rules:

Race will be governed by the rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS). In the event of conflict between the NoR and the SIs (or amendments thereto), the SIs as amended shall take precedence. This changes RRS 63.7.

All boats shall comply with their Class Rules.

Notices to Competitors:

Notices to Competitors posted prior to the start of the race will be posted on the Official Notice Board located outside, near the ground floor rear entryway doors adjacent to "Sparky" Shed" on Eastport Yacht Club (EYC) grounds. Notices to Competitors posted after racing has commenced, will be posted on the Official Notice Board located in the Commodore's Room at Miles River Yacht Club (MRYC), and at <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/14330>

Changes to Sailing Instructions:

Any changes in the sailing instructions will be posted before 0800 hours on the day it will take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 hours on the day before it will take effect.

Signals Made Ashore:

Signals made ashore will be displayed from the EYC Flagpole located on the waterside of the clubhouse.

When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 90 minutes" in race signal AP. This changes RRS Signals.

Schedule of Races:

Saturday, May 27 – 0900 Check in Boat on Station

0925 Warning Signal for first start

Competitors shall rendezvous in the vicinity of CBYRA Annapolis Area Chart mark "X" (R2)

Classes, Class Flags and Order of Start:

The classes as listed in the NOR, class flags, and order of start will be defined in Amendment 1, which will be posted by 2000 hours on Thursday, 25 May 2017.

Racing Area:

The racing area will be the Chesapeake Bay, between the mouth of the Severn River and Miles River.

Rendezvous:

Competitors shall rendezvous in the vicinity of CBYRA Annapolis Area Chart mark "X" (R2).

Prior to a competitor's warning signal, competitors must check in at the "Race Committee Check-In" boat flying a large *yellow* flag stationed approximately 300 yards NW of the Race Committee Signal Boat. Please do not attempt to check in with the Signal Boat.

Courses:

Course 1: Annapolis Area Chart - round Bloody Point Light to port, "L" (G "1") to port, mark "F" (R "2A") to port, and mark "N" (R "4") to starboard (16.8 nautical miles).

Course 2: Annapolis Area Chart - round mark "Q" (R "84A") to port, mark "F" (R "2A") to port, and mark "N" (R "4") to starboard (20.2 nautical miles).

Start:

Races will be started using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.

Starting Line shall be between orange flag on the Signal Boat and Annapolis Area Chart mark "X" (R "2"), or alternative mark if the Signal Boat displays the "L" flag and moves to another location.

Recalls:

The Race Committee intends to hail the recall or sail numbers of OCS boats after the starting signal on VHF channel 71. The failure of any boat to hear the hail, the timeliness of the hail of OCS boats, failure to hail any boats, and the order of the boats in the hail shall not be grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 41 and 62.1.

Finish:

Unless the course is shortened, the finishing line will be between an orange flag on the Signal Boat and CBYRA Miles River and Eastern Bay Area Mark "H" (RN8). If necessary, the course will be shortened at a rounding mark in accordance with RRS 32.

Penalties:

For one-design classes only, RRS 44.1 is changed so that when a rule of Part 2 is broken outside the zone at a mark, and there is no injury or damage, and no significant advantage is gained, the Two-Turn Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty. This changes RRS 44.1.

Time Limit:

The time limit is eight (8) hours from the time of each boat's class start. Any boat that is still racing after that time shall be scored DNF (Did Not Finish).

Protests and Requests for Redress:

Boats intending to protest for an incident in the racing area shall inform the Race Committee when they finish. Should a vessel leave the course without finishing, an intent to protest may be made via VHF channel 71 or e-mail to onecentrhine@gmail.com. The information shall include the Sail Number and/or Boat Name of the protested yacht.

Protest forms will be available at MRYC and must be filed with the Race Committee within 60 minutes of the Signal Boat docking. Notices of protest will be posted on the Official Notice Board at MRYC within 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

Hearings will be held at MRYC beginning at 5 pm or approximately (30) minutes after being posted.

Safety: A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible either by hail, VHF channel 71 or via e-mail to onecentrhine@gmail.com.

Trash Disposal:

This is a Clean Race; all competitors are encouraged not to use disposable water bottles. Racers should refrain from throwing trash in the water and recycle all appropriate items. Boats observed purposefully discharging trash into the water will either be disqualified or subject to other suitable disciplinary action, or both.

Radio Communication:

Competitors shall have a working VHF radio capable of communicating on VHF channels 9, 13, 16, and 71.

RC will communicate with competitors on VHF channel 71.

Boats are encouraged to make contact with commercial traffic on VHF channel 13, as required for safety.

Awards:

1st/6, 2nd/7, 3rd/9 & 4th/11 in each class. Awards will be presented at approximately 2000 at the post-race party. Rhine Trophy will be awarded to the MRYC skipper with the best corrected finish time per mile.

Beneteau America will also award prizes to the top three Beneteaus in the Cruising Class and the top three Beneteaus in the Handicap Classes.

NOTE: Awards ceremony may be earlier if scoring permits – a shotgun warning will be fired ½ hour before the ceremony

Disclaimer of Liability:

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk; see RRS 4 (Decision to Race). The organizing authority or any other party involved in the organization of the regatta will not accept any responsibility or liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustain in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

Insurance:

Each boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$300,000.