

WRSC Poplar Island Race West River, MD, Saturday July 29, 2017 GENERAL SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

Governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, the NOR for this race, and these sailing instructions and any subsequent addenda to them

2. SCHEDULE

The warning signal for the first class start will be at 1100.

All competitors will check in prior to the start of the first class with the Race Committee boat which will be located at G "1" (vicinity of the mouth of the West River. The Race Committee will monitor VHF Ch. 68. Failure to check in will result in DSQ.

3. CLASSES AND FLAGS

Final classes and class flags will be posted to the Regatta Network race site as an addendum to these sailing instructions no later than 2000 on Friday, July 28.

4. Signals

Starting signals will be in accordance with RRS 26.

Starting times for each class will be posted as an addendum to these general sailing instructions on the Regatta Network race site by 2000 hours on Friday, July 28

5. COURSE[S] and MARKS

Competitors will sail a fixed mark course as follows: Each skipper has the <u>choice</u> of sailing <u>either</u> clockwise (leaving all marks to Stbd) or counterclockwise (leaving all marks to Port) around the course.

Start/Finish: Between the yellow flag on the RC boat and G "1" (vicinity of mouth of West River)

The starting <u>and</u> finish line will be approximately perpendicular to the direction between G "1" and R "84A", i.e., all boats will start by crossing the starting line towards the course defined in a southerly direction by the starting line and turning marks. <u>All boats must finish by crossing the finish line from the course side.</u>

Clockwise Course: R "86", R "84A", G "85A" to Finish (RC boat and G"1") leave all <u>turning</u> marks to **STARBOARD.**

Counter-clockwise Course: G "85A", R "84A", R "86", to Finish (RC boat and G"1") leave all <u>turning</u> marks to **PORT**. Length – 12.5 nm.

The RC may shorten the course on VHF 68 and by flying Code "S" at the start of the race. Shortened courses: Clockwise: R "86", R "85", to Finish. Round <u>turning</u> marks to Starboard. Counterclockwise: R "85, R "86" to Finish. Round <u>turning</u> marks to Port. Length – 8.5 nm.

6. TIME LIMIT

The time limit for the race will be 6 hours from start of the first class to start.

7. PROTESTS

Protests shall be delivered to WRSC Clubhouse within 2 hour of the protesting yachts finish.



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Hearings will be held as soon as possible after racing in the WRSC clubhouse.

8. SCORING and TROPHIES

The CBYRA High Point System will apply for PHRF and CHESSS classes. Trophies will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, 3rd place in each class.

The scoring method that will be used for CRCA classes is TBD and will be posted in the addendum to the sailing instructions. .

9. SOCIAL

There will be a Skipper's Meeting and pre-race party on Friday evening, July 28 and post-race party after the race on Saturday, July 29 at the WRSC clubhouse in Galesville, MD. Food and beverages will be available for purchase. All are welcome and skippers/crews newer to racing are especially encouraged to attend the Skipper's meeting.

10. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

This is a Clean Race. All competitors are strongly encouraged to use multi-use water bottles instead of disposable water bottles, and to recycle whenever possible. RRS 55 prohibits placing trash in the water.