

## **WRSC Poplar Island Race**

**West River, MD, Saturday July 29, 2017**

### **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS—Amendment 1**

**Includes: 1) Class flags 2) Start sequence and times**  
**3) Minor clarification of finish**  
**4) Update on scoring, trophies, and social**  
**5) Reminder of RRS 4**

#### **1. 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.

#### **2. CLASS FLAGS and STARTING TIMES AND SEQUENCE**

<b>Class</b>	<b>Flag</b>
<b>PHRF A</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>PHRF B</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>PHRF C</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>PHRF N</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>CHESSS (all)</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Repeater</b>
<b>CRCA(all)</b>	<b>White</b>

#### **STARTING TIMES AND SEQUENCE**

<b>WARNING</b>	<b>CLASS</b>
<b>1100</b>	<b>A and B</b>
<b>1105</b>	<b>C and N</b>
<b>1110</b>	<b>CHESS Spin, CHESSS NS</b>
<b>1115</b>	<b>CRCA (all)</b>

To make it clear, Class A and B will start together following a warning signal that is planned for 1100, Classes C and N will start next, etc.

#### **3. Signals**

Starting signals will be in accordance with RRS 26.

#### **4. COURSE[S] and MARKS**

Competitors will sail a fixed mark course as follows: **Each skipper has the choice of sailing either 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 and 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.**

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

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

**All boats must finish by crossing the finish line from the course side, i.e. in a generally northerly direction (leaving the Committee boat to PORT and G "1" to STARBOARD)**

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 turning marks to Starboard. Counterclockwise: G "85, R "86" to Finish. Round turning marks to Port. Length – 8.5 nm.

**5. RISK STATEMENT** Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk and they are reminded of the provisions of RRS 4, Decision to Race. Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- (a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- (b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- (c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- (d) By participating in any race, they are satisfied that their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- (e) The provision of a race management team, committee boats, or other officials and volunteers by the organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- (f) The provision of committee boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;

**6. SCORING and TROPHIES**

The CBYRA High Point System will apply. Trophies will be awarded to 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> place in each class. Dual scoring using course and wind-appropriate ORR ratings will also be done for CRCA boats. PHRF and CRCA trophies for this race are boat-specific and will be presented (or mailed) at the end of the season.

**7. SOCIAL**

There will be a post-race party after the race on Saturday, July 29 at the WRSC clubhouse in Galesville, MD. All racers who plan on attending should have RSVP'd by Thursday, July 27 to ensure that sufficient victuals are available. There will not be a Skipper's meeting on Friday night; however, skippers newer to racing and/or questions are encourage to call Frank McGowan at 617-877-9617.



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