

Miles River Yacht Club and Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum

Welcome you to the

2019 Bartlett Cup Race September 15th

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. **RULES:** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
2. **ENTRIES:** All Competitors shall register with the Miles River Yacht Club (MRYC) Race Committee (RC) prior to the regatta weekend at <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/19602>.

Skipper's meeting is scheduled at 8:30 am on Saturday.

3. **NOTICES TO COMPETITORS:** Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located at <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/19602>.
4. **CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:** Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect.
5. **SIGNALS MADE ASHORE:** Signals made ashore will be displayed at MRYC.
6. **SCHEDULE OF RACES:**

Race	Date	Warning Signal
Bartlett Cup	Sept 15th	10:00 AM

7. **COURSE:** The course will be displayed at the starting line during the starting sequence and likely handed to competitors. It will consist of a sequence of letters, each indicating the next mark to round. The letters will be displayed in red to round the mark to port and in green to round to starboard. (See attached Log Canoe Course Sheet)



8. **START:** This shall be a standing-start pursuit race. This means the canoes will start in reverse order to their handicap. The boat with the slowest rating shall start first and the boat with the fastest rating shall start last.

Signals will be at 5-minute intervals. Times shall be taken from the visual signals; failure of a sound signal shall be disregarded. Signals will be as follows:

WARNING	10 minutes	Yellow shape	sound
PREP	5 minutes	Blue shape	sound
START	0	Red shape	sound

For the purposes of the definition of "racing," boats are racing five (5) minutes prior to their scheduled start time.

The start times for each boat shall be based on their canoe handicap rating. The race shall use GPS time synchronization.

The starting line shall be a literal line in the sand on the beach at MRYC right next to the launching ramp. The start time for each boat shall be available at the starting line from 9:45 am on. The start times will also be posted on the Regatta Network site as soon as the RC can post them.

Each boat should make fast in the waters just off the MRYC beach starting line and chase boats shall exit the area before the preparatory signal. Crew may stand on the bottom and hold the boat. Canoes may use an anchor to make fast and kedge off. If using an anchor, the canoe must take the anchor and rode with them -This changes rule 45.

For safety, boats shall line up in the shallows in handicap order with the slowest rating furthest down wind. No boat shall hold fast closer than 20 feet from another competitor.

Prior to each boat's start, all sails must be down except for a kite. At the start, the skipper shall make his/her way to the boat to begin sailing the course.

A skipper may have another crew member be the representative making the standing start on the beach, but that skipper will owe a beer to each skipper starting on the beach.

The position of the starting line is:

N 38° 47.963'

W 76° 13.090'

The race will not be started in less than 3 knots of wind. The decision to start a race shall be made by each skipper on his own responsibility. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk.

9. **FINISH:** The finish line will be between the orange flag on the committee boat and the nearby mark.
10. **PENALTIES:** For an infringement of the rules in part 2, a one penalty turn will be used to exonerate the boat. Refer to RRS 44.1 and substitute a one turn wherever a two turn penalty is mentioned.
11. **TIME LIMIT:** The first boat must cross the finish line within **3 HOURS**

Any boat that finishes 45 minutes after the first boat has finished shall be scored as DNF.
12. **PROTESTS:** All protests shall be filed with the MRYC within one hour of the last race for the day. Protest forms can be found in the back of the Greenbook or in the MRYC office. All involved parties shall report to the designated protest area and remain easily available.
13. **SAFETY:** All canoes shall have a chaseboat/tender with life jackets for all the crew. All canoes must have a life ring or throwable cushion with a line. Any crewmember who cannot swim must wear a life jacket. It is the sole

responsibility of the owner and/or skipper that these requirements are met.

14. **SCORING:** There is only one race in this series. One race for all the marbles. The low point scoring system described in RRS Appendix A will apply.
15. **TROPHIES:** The Trophy Award Ceremony is scheduled Sunday approximately 2 hours after the last competitor is finished.

