



**PHRF Spring Series
May 29, June 5 & 6, 2020
Tred Avon Yacht Club
Oxford, MD**

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing, 2017 – 2020* (RRS).
- 1.2 The Nearshore Category of the US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements will apply.
- 1.3 In the event of a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions take precedence. This changes RRS 63.7.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official bulletin board located in the first floor lobby of the Tred Avon Yacht Club (TAYC).

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted no later than 2000 on Thurs., May 28.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the signal mast on TAYC's upper deck.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 The regatta will consist of three races, one each on Friday, May 29, Friday, June 5 and Saturday, June 6.
- 5.2 The May 29 and June 5 races will start with the regular Friday night OARS races. The June 6 race, which is a longer distance (max. 15NM) race, will have its own start.
- 5.3 The starting times are as follows:

<u>Friday, May 29 & Friday, June 5</u>			<u>Saturday, June 6</u>		
<u>Class</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Signal</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Signal</u>
	1800	Warning		1030	Warning
PHRF Spinnaker	1805	Start	PHRF Spinnaker	1035	Start
PHRF Non-Spinnaker	1810	Start	PHRF Non-Spinnaker	1040	Start

6 CLASS FLAGS

- 6.1 PHRF Spinnaker will fly a purple flag/pennant and PHRF Non-Spinnaker will fly a green flag/pennant from the stern backstay or stern pulpit.

7 RACING AREAS

- 7.1 The racing areas will be the Tred Avon and Choptank Rivers.

8 THE COURSES

- 8.1 The courses and marks for **Races One & Two** are available on the OARS website, www.oxfordars.org. Courses for these two races will be designated by a letter displayed on the end of the TAYC floating dock, such letter corresponding to one of the courses shown on the sheet entitled "OARS Courses 2020" on the OARS website.
- 8.2 For **Race Three**, OARS marks may be supplemented by any of three Choptank River government marks: FL R "12A" (designated mark "M"), FL G "13" (designated mark "Y") and FL R "14" (designated mark

“Z”). The course will be displayed on a course board on the end of TAYC’s floating dock, using a combination of OARS mark letters and marks “M”, “Y” or “Z”.

- 8.3 Courses may be shortened at the discretion of the PRO. For **Races One & Two**, courses will be shortened, if necessary, at Mark “X”. For **Race Three**, a shortened course will be made at a designated rounding mark of the course; the Race Committee will notify competitors via radio and, if shortened, be on station at the new finish mark.

9 THE START

- 9.1 All races will be club starts.
- 9.2 The starting line will be between the signal mast displaying an orange flag on the TAYC upper deck and the course side of the nearby orange starting mark.
- 9.3 If an individual recall, the Race Committee will attempt to hail OCS boats on channel 71, but the failure to hail, the hail of some but not all OCS boats, the order in which hailed or untimely hailing shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 9.4 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence of other classes.

10 THE FINISH

- 10.1 The finish line will be between the course side of government mark FL R”2” off TAYC (OARS mark “X”) and the signal mast displaying an orange flag on the TAYC upper deck.
- 10.2 In the event of a shortened course, the finish will be between the course side of the mark and the staff displaying code flag “S” on the upper deck signal mast or the Race Committee boat.

11 TIME LIMITS

- 11.1 For **Races One & Two**, the time limit for the first boat in each class to sail the proper course and finish will be 90 minutes. All other boats must finish within 2 hours of their start or be scored “DNF” without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.
- 11.2 For **Race Three**, the time limit for the first boat in each class to sail the proper course and finish will be 5 hours. All other boats must finish within 1 hour of the first boat in their class to finish or be scored “DNF” without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

12 PROTEST AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 12.1 There will be no protest committee or requests for redress. This changes RRS 60, 61 and 62.
- 12.2 Rules infractions may be absolved by performing one 360 degree turn (one tack and one jibe). This changes RRS 44.

13 SCORING

- 13.1 Corrected times will be calculated using PHRF time-on-distance ratings.
- 13.2 Two races must be completed to constitute the regatta.

14 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 14.1 A boat that retires or leaves the racing area between races shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity by hail or on channel 71.

15 PRIZES

- 15.1 Trophies will be awarded as stated in the NOR.

16 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 16.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.