

Robert K. Robson Memorial Race
Sunday, August 9, 2020
Tred Avon Yacht Club/Chesapeake Bay Yacht Club
Oxford, MD

Sanction # 342

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.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the event website at www.tayc.com/racing by 0800 on race day in the News and Notices section.
- 2.2 On the water, the Race Committee (RC) intends to monitor and communicate with competitors via VHF channel 71.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted at www.tayc.com/racing no later than 2000 the day prior to the race.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the signal mast on TAYC’s upper deck.
- 4.2 When flag “AP” is displayed ashore, “1 minute” is replaced with “not less than 30 minutes” in Race Signal AP. Announcement of the intention to begin the start sequence will be made on VHF channel 71. When AP is displayed after the start sequence has begun, the start sequence will resume 1 minute after AP is lowered.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 0830 - Rendezvous in vicinity of Region 3 Choptank River Area Mark “N” (R “2”) off Tred Avon Yacht Club and check in with a Race Committee check-in boat flying code flag “L” prior to their warning signal.
- 5.2 One race is scheduled of at least 12 nm, weather permitting. The Shields class may have a different course (see section 8).
- 5.3 0900 – Warning signal for first start.
- 5.4 The intended start times are:

Start Time	Class	Flag
0905	PHRF A/B/C.	Pennant 0
0910	Shields	Shields class flag

6 CLASS FLAGS

- 6.1 Due to the possible combining of classes for starting and scoring purposes, the starting flag displayed by the Race Committee may be different than the boat's class flag. Any combination of classes, their start times and the flag to be displayed by the Race Committee will be described in an Amendment to the Sailing Instructions to be posted no later than 1700 on August 8.
- 6.2 All boats, with the exception of the Shields class, shall clearly display two class flags, one from the bow and one from the stern.

7 RACING AREA

- 7.1 The racing area will be in the Tred Avon and Choptank Rivers generally between Blackwalnut Pt. to the west and Howell Pt. to the east.

8 THE COURSES

- 8.1 The courses will be set in the Tred Avon and Choptank Rivers using CBYRA Region 3 Choptank River Area Standard Racing Marks (see page 5).
- 8.2 Courses will be displayed on a course board on the Race Committee check-in boat. Leave green lettered marks to starboard, red lettered marks to port.
- 8.3 The Shields class may have a different course displayed on a separate course board with a Shields class logo.

9 MARKS

- 9.1 CBYRA Region 3 Choptank River Area Standard Racing Marks use both government marks and drop marks.
- 9.2 Drop marks will be yellow tomatoes.

10 THE START

- 10.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on TAYC's upper deck and government buoy R "2" (Region 3 Choptank River Area mark "N") off TAYC's clubhouse.
- 10.2 A boat that does not start within 10 minutes of her starting signal will be scored DNS without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.
- 10.3 A yacht in the starting area other than at her authorized time can expect to be protested by the Race Committee.
- 10.4 The Race Committee will attempt to hail OCS boats on VHF channel 71, but the failure to hail, the hail of some but not all OCS boats, the order in which hailed or untimely hailing of boats shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 10.5 After a general recall, a new starting sequence for the recalled start will begin one minute after the lowering of code flag "First Substitute" with one sound. Succeeding classes shall follow the new start.

11 SHORTENING COURSE

- 11.1 If a course is shortened, all boats shall finish between a mark of the original course and code flag "S" on a Race Committee boat in accordance with RRS 32.

12 THE FINISH

- 12.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on TAYC's upper deck and the course side of government buoy R "2" (Region 3 Choptank River Area mark "N") off TAYC's clubhouse.
- 12.2 If there appears to be no race committee officials on station, boats shall:
 - a. Cross the finish line as described above,
 - b. Record their finish time when R "2" bears 100 degrees magnetic and
 - c. Record their finish time and sail # to the Scoring Committee via text message to 410-829-9640 as soon as practical after finishing.

13 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 13.1 RRS 44.1 will apply.

14 TIME LIMITS

- 14.1 The time limit for the first boat in each class to finish will be 4.5 hours.

15 PROTEST AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1 There will be no Protest Committee to hear protests or requests for redress with the exception of protests from the Race Committee. This changes RRS 60.
- 15.2 If a boat needs to absolve itself of an infraction, it must perform the appropriate one-turn or two-turn penalty (see **13.1**).

16 SCORING

- 16.1 RRS Appendix A4, Low Point System, will apply.
- 16.2 Corrected times for PHRF, CHESS and one-design classes sailing with PHRF handicaps will be calculated using PHRF time-on-time and Circular Random ratings.
- 16.3 Corrected times for the CRCA classes will be calculated using handicaps provided by the CRCA class.

17 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 17.1 A boat that retires or leaves the racing area shall notify the Race Committee at the first reasonable opportunity by hail or on channel 71.

18 Special Covid-19 Regatta Rules

- 18.1 Social distancing as prescribed by the CDC shall be practiced at all times while on Club property.
- 18.2 Masks covering nose and mouth shall be worn by all individuals while on Club property.
- 18.3 Current state requirements for protection against the transmission of Covid-19 must be practiced throughout the regatta.
- 18.4 The clubhouse will be locked; restrooms may be accessed from the outside only. There will be no food or bar service.
- 18.5 Non-crew members will not be allowed on Club property with the exception of race officials.

19 PRIZES

- 18.5 Prizes will be awarded for PHRF Spinnaker, PHRF Non-Spinnaker, CRCA, CHESS and Shields.
- 18.6 There will be no awards ceremony; prizes will be shipped to winners.
- 18.7 Perpetual trophies may also be awarded:
Robert K. Robson Memorial Trophy – TAYC skipper with best combined corrected time in

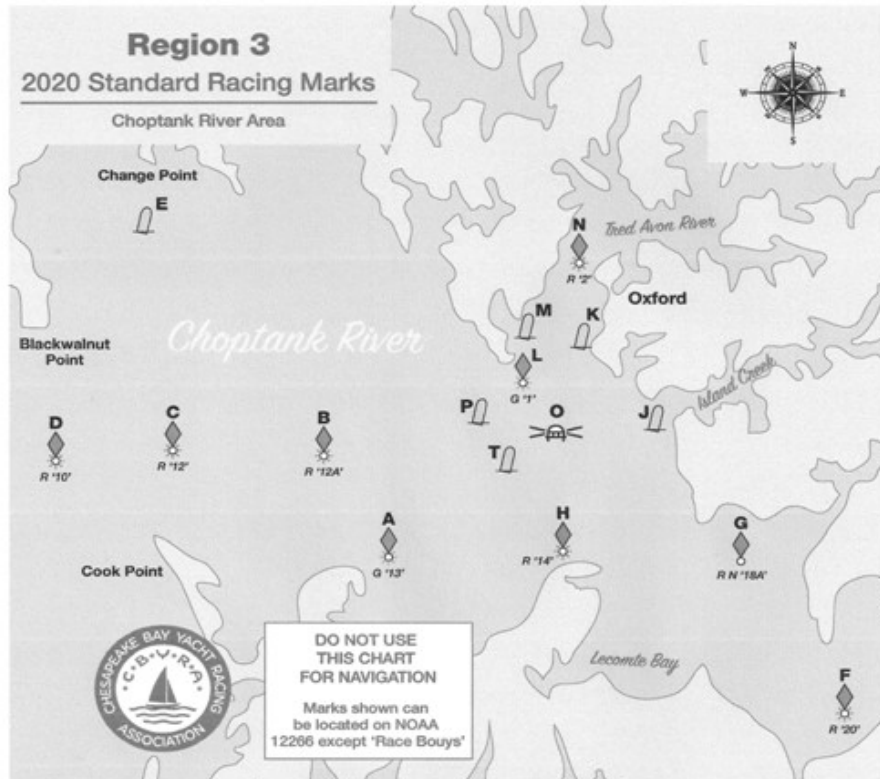
the PHRF spinnaker fleet

Philemon A. Willis Memorial Trophy – Skipper with best combined corrected time in all PHRF classes, spinnaker and non-spinnaker

Robert W. Downes II Memorial Trophy – Winning Shields skipper and crew in the combined races

19 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 19.1 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.



Approximate positions of all marks are offered as a reference only. Government symbols and/or numbers may be changed. All changes are published in Notice to Mariners.

Region 3 – 2020 Standard Racing Marks (Choptank River area)

Mark	Govt. ID	Characteristics	Location	Lat 38 N	Lon 76 W
A	G "13"	FIG 2.5s	1 mi ENE of Todd's Point	38.417	12.917
B	R "12A"	Qk FIR	1.7 mi N of Todd's Point	39.432	13.847
C	R "12"	FIR 4s	1 mi NNE of Cook Point	38.841	16.589
D	R "10"	FIR 2.5s	1.3 mi NW of Cook Point	38.886	18.306
E			Race buoy 1mi S of Change Point		
F	R "20"	FIR 4s 15ft 4M	0.5 mi SW of Howell Point	36.009	6.876
G	R N "18A"		0.7 mi SE of Chlora Point	37.646	8.131
H	R "14"	Gp FI R(2) 5s	0.8 mi NW of Castle Haven Point	38.536	10.706
J			Race buoy off Island Creek entrance	38.989	10.375
K			Race buoy off Bachelor Point		
L	G "1"	FIG 2.5s 15ft 3M	SE of Benoni Point	39.898	11.320
M			Race buoy off Fox Hole Creek entrance		
N	R "2"	FIR 4s	Off Tred Avon Yacht Club	41.561	10.696
O		FI 4s 35ft 8M	Choptank River Light	39.368	11.064
P			Race buoy S of Benoni Point		
T			Race Buoy WSW Choptank River Light		
U	RC Choice	Inflatable drop	May be set by RC at Starting Line		
V	RC Choice	Inflatable drop	May be set by RC as 1st windmark mark		
Y	RC Choice	Inflatable drop	May be set by RC as 1st leeward mark		

Distance Between Marks

Use the table below to determine the distance in nautical miles between marks. If a distance is not shown, the course between those marks most likely crosses land and/or a shoal and should not be used.

	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	J	K	L	M	N	O
A	1.25	2.90	4.24			3.81	1.75			1.94		3.62	1.72
B		2.22	3.52		6.43	4.80	2.62			2.03			2.17
C			1.34			6.71	4.62			4.25			4.34
D						8.04	5.96	4.64		5.55			5.67
F						1.91	3.91			5.1			4.68
G							2.18			3.35			2.85
H										1.43		3.06	0.85
L												1.77	0.58