

AYC Overnight Race

26-27 April 2014

Hosted by
Organizing Authority: Annapolis Yacht Club, Annapolis, Maryland, USA

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The race shall be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the Inland Navigation Rules, the 2014 PHRF of the Chesapeake Regulations and Category 4 of the 2012-2014 ISAF Offshore Special Regulations Governing Offshore Racing for Monohulls & Multihulls Including US Sailing Prescriptions (OSR), except as modified by a boat's class.
- 1.2 RRS 63.7 is replaced with: "If there is a conflict between rules listed in SI 1.1 that must be resolved before the protest committee can decide a protest or request for redress, the committee shall apply the rule that it believes will provide the fairest result for all boats affected."
- 1.3 Part 2 of the RRS is replaced by the Inland Navigation Rules between 2030 and 0545 EDT. Competitors are reminded that commercial vessels may be in restricted channels and that sailing vessels do not have right-of-way over a vessel under power that may be restricted in her ability to maneuver. This is especially important in the vicinity of the various marks designated in the courses.
- 1.4 RRS 41(c) is changed to read as follows: "Weather, current or navigational information available to all boats, including internet or broadcast information from sources available to all boats, whether on a subscription or free basis is allowed. Allowable services must provide the same information to all competitors and not provide boat specific weather or routing information. Competitors may use any means to retrieve the data. Weather routing data developed specifically for the race may not be received while racing. Accessing information by any means during the race that is not available to all boats will be considered a violation of RRS 41.

1.5 In the Cruising Class:

- (a) RRS 52, Manual Power, is modified to permit boats to use power driven winches, furlers, and mechanical and electro-mechanical steering devices while racing.
- (b) Boats are allowed one asymmetrical cruising spinnaker, provided the tack is attached at the centerline of the boat. The tack may be at the stem, or to the end of a bowsprit, or to the end of a sprit which is permanently installed at the bow of the boat for the purpose of tacking down an asymmetrical spinnaker. The sail must be made of nylon or polyester. Sail measurements and tack point must be reflected in the PHRF certificate of any boat electing to use an asymmetrical spinnaker. Sails with a mid-girth from 50-75% (Code 0 sails) are not permitted.
- 1.6 In the event any lifesaving equipment is lost overboard, it should be retrieved. If recovery is not possible the loss of any equipment that floats shall be reported immediately to the Coast Guard and to the race committee.
- 1.7 Each boat shall have a cell phone on board and registered with the race committee.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board on the AYC web site www.annapolisyc.com/racing. Notices will also be posted on the bulletin board located outside the lower deck lobby of the Annapolis Yacht Club clubhouse.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board by 2000 Friday 25 April.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals ashore will be made at the yard arm of the staff at the Annapolis Yacht Club clubhouse. Flag L over a numeral pennant means notice to competitors number "numeral" has been posted.

5 SCHEDULE

The race committee will rendezvous with the fleet in the vicinity of Severn River "R2" at 1000. The warning signal for the first class to start will be at 1100 on Saturday 26 April.

6 CLASS FLAGS

- 6.1 For boats in CBYRA Handicap or Cruising One Design classes, the CBYRA class flags will be used. See SI Attachment 1. The class flag for the Cruising Class will be a white flag approximately 12" by 12".
- 6.2 Boats, other than Cruising Class boats, shall display two class flags, one from the bow and one from the stern. Cruising Class boats are not required to display class flags.

7 THE COURSE

The course to be sailed will be displayed on a number board on the race committee starting line boat. See SI Attachment 2 for the courses.

8 POSITION REPORTING

- 8.1 Each boat shall call the race committee via phone (703-801-4388) when they estimate they are one and one half (1 ½) hours from the finish.
- 8.2 Each boat shall call the race committee via phone (703-801-4388) when they round the turning mark.

9 THE START

- 9.1 The start will be near the outer end of the Annapolis Harbor Channel, in the vicinity of mark R"2" (FI R 2.5 s Bell). The starting line will be between the staff or halyard with an orange flag displayed on the signal boat and the course side of the pin end starting mark, an inflated orange mark.
- 9.2 SI Attachment 3, the order of starts, will be posted by 1700 Wednesday 23 April.

10 RECALL

- 10.1 The race committee will attempt to notify boats identified as OCS by announcing their racing numbers on VHF 69. Failure to transmit or receive such notification will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 10.2 A boat identified as OCS, which fails to return, will be penalized by having 30 minutes added to her elapsed time without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1, A4 and A5.

11 FINISH

- 11.1 The finishing line will be between the staff of the blue flag on the race committee boat and the course side of Annapolis Harbor Channel "2" (FI R 2.5 s Bell).
- 11.2 When finishing at night, boats shall illuminate their sail numbers and report to the race committee on VHF 69.
- 11.3 If the finish boat is not on station, boats shall pass within 25 yards of the finish mark and record your finish time when the finish mark bears 270° M. The finish time shall be reported to the race committee via phone (703-801-4388).

12 PENALTY SYSTEM

12.1 A boat that has broken a rule of part 2 of the RRS may take Scoring Penalty as described in RRS 44.3.

13 TIME LIMIT

There is no time limit. Boats which have not finished by 1400 on Sunday 27 April shall use every means at their disposal to report their positions and their estimated times of arrival to the race committee on VHF 69 or by phone: 703-801-4388.

14 RETIRING BEFORE FINISHING

Boats retiring from the race shall notify the race committee on VHF 69 or by phone (703-801-4388) as soon as possible. Due to the possibility of a U.S. Coast Guard search for a missing boat at immense cost and risk to personnel, prompt notification of abandonment is mandatory.

15 RENDERING ASSISTANCE

- 15.1 Attention is drawn to the responsibility imposed by good seamanship and RRS 1.1 (Helping Those in Danger).
- 15.2 Boats are reminded to log positions and times when stopping to render assistance in compliance with RRS 1.1. A request for redress by a boat rendering assistance shall be made within the protest time limit.

16 PROTESTS

- 16.1 Boats are strongly encouraged to report their intent to protest or request redress to the race committee when they finish via VHF radio.
- 16.2 Protests shall be lodged at the front desk of the Annapolis Yacht Club by 1030 on 27 April or within 3 hours of the protesting boat's finish, whichever is later.
- 16.3 The race committee will post a list of boats with assigned starting penalties no later than 1400 on Saturday, 26 April.
- 16.4 No later than 1100 Sunday, 27 April, the protest committee will post the schedule and location of hearings for all protests or requests for redress received by that time. Hearings will be held at the AYC Clubhouse beginning no earlier than 1530 on Sunday, 27 April.
- 16.5 The penalty for breaking SI 1.4, 1.6, 1.7, 6.2, 8, 11.2, 11.3, or RRS 55 may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.

17 SCORING

- 17.1 PHRF boats will be scored Time on Distance.
- 17.2 CBYRA Multihulls will be scored Time on Time.

18 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

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.

19 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$US 300,000 per event or the equivalent.

ATTACHMENT 1 - CLASS FLAGS

	H	landicap E	Division			Cruising-On	e-De	sign/One	e-Desigr	n Div	ision
PHRF A0	0		PHRF N	5		Alberg 30	G		J/24	U	
PHRF A/A1	9		Sport	1		Cal 25	Т		J/30	D	
PHRF A2	2		Multihull A	W		Catalina 27	8		J/35	K	
PHRF B	6		Multihull B	F		Etchells	Е		J/80	J	
PHRF C	7		Beach Cat		D <				J/105	V	X

ATTACHMENT 2 - COURSES

All marks shall be passed to PORT.

Mark positions taken from the USCG Light List, 2014

APPROXIMATE MARK Locations	~ LAT	~ LON		
START	38° 57.16'	076° 24.32'		
FINISH "R2" FI R 2s	38° 56.50'	076° 25.48'		
"CP" Mo(A) W	38° 28.18'	076° 22.57'		
"HI" Mo(A) W	38° 18.68'	076° 18.68'		
"72" FI R 2s	38° 06.91'	076° 12.91'		
"65" FI G 2s	37° 56.40'	076° 11.67'		
"RP" Mo(A) W	37° 42.36'	076° 11.06'		
"CB" Mo(A) W	37° 30.02'	076° 02.60'		

APPROXIMATE COURSE DISTANCE	MARK
#1	START
178 nm	"CB" Mo(A) W FINISH "2" FI R 2s
	TINIOTI Z TTN 25
#2	START
151 nm	"RP" Mo(A) W
	FINISH "2" FI R 2s
#3	START
123 nm	"65" FI G 2s
	FINISH "2" FI R 2s
44	START
103 nm	"72" FI R 2s FINISH "2" FI R 2s
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#5	START
77 nm	"HI" Mo(A) W
	FINISH "2" FI R 2s
#6	START
57 nm	"CP" Mo(A) W
	FINISH "2" FI R 2s

