

Tred Avon Yacht Club
PHRF Fall Series, Round the Buoys Race, and Skippers Race 2014 Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions

RULES: The series will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of US Sailing, the CBYRA General Sailing Instructions, and these sailing instructions.

ENTRIES: Due by 1600hrs October 4, 2014. ONLINE REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED. Entries submitted late must include a \$20 late fee. Entries may be submitted on line at www.tayc.com click Online Registration on the Racing drop down menu. Entry in TAYC Fall Series automatically includes your registration for the TAYC Round the Buoys Race Series. Entry Fee - \$45 CYBRA and USSA members - \$50 non members. Fee covers Fall Series and TAYC Round The Buoys Race. To register for the TAYC Round the Buoys Race only see www.tayc.com Racing page. Please see CBYRA Green Book for separate fees associated with the Skipper Race.

NOTICE TO COMPETITORS: Notices to competitors will be posted on the official race notice bulletin board located in the entry foyer of TAYC clubhouse. Greenbook race notices published by CBYRA. Competitors should monitor VHF channel 71 for possible announcements.

CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS: Any changes in the sailing instructions will be posted two hours prior to the race in which they will take effect. In addition, this information will be broadcast on VHF channel 71 fifteen minutes prior to the warning signal.

SCHEDULE OF RACES:

RACE #1, #2	October 5	River Start	Warning 1000
RACE #3, #4	October 12	Club Start	Warning 1000
RACE #5, #6	October 19	River Start	Warning 1000 <i>See Greenbook</i>
RACE #7	October 25	Club Start	Warning 0800 <i>See Greenbook</i>

Races #2, #4, #6 – The warning signal will be approximately 10 minutes after the last boat finishes the first race. Race#5 & #6 are TAYC's Round the Buoys Race Series and are CBYRA sanctioned races. Race #7 is TAYC's Skipper Race and is a CBYRA Sanctioned Race

CLASS FLAGS: Competing yachts must display proper class code flags as specified by CBYRA from bow pulpit and backstay: PHRF A- #9, PHRF B- #6, PHRF C- #7, PHRF NON-SPINNAKER- #5.

CLASSES: If there are fewer than three entries in any class, classes may be combined for scoring purposes. A valid 2014 PHRF of the Chesapeake rating is required and must be able to be validated by checking the listing on the PHRF Chesapeake Bay website.

COURSE: The course will be displayed at the end of the dock for races starting at the Club and on the Committee boat for Choptank River starts. Choptank Area Standard Racing Marks or a drop marks type courses may be signaled as indicated in the CBYRA Green Book and in circulars available in the club house. Non-

Spinnaker class should pay attention for the possibility of a different course.

MARK: “G1” (Choptank area mark “L”) is a passing mark and must always be passed to seaward.

STARTING LINE: Club starts - between an orange flag on the Yacht Club balcony and orange mark in Tred Avon River. **River Start** - between an orange flag on RC boat and dropped orange mark. Starting area will be approximately 1.2 nm SW of Choptank Light (Area Mark “O”), toward G-13 (Area Mark “A”). Keep clear of the starting area when other classes are starting. The Race Committee may employ a limit mark. While the limit mark is not part of the starting line, yachts shall not touch it or sail between it and the Committee Boat.

STARTING SIGNALS:

In addition to the starting sequence as identified in RRS 26 - a 3 blast alert signal will be sounded approximately 1 minute prior to the warning signal.

<u>Class</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Signal</u>
	0915	Rendezvous (River Start Only)
	1000	Warning
PHRF A/B/C	1005	Start
PHRF N	1010	Start

Please refer to CBYRA Green Book for Starting Signals and Times for Races #5, #6 and #7.

The race committee will fly a Code Flag “1” at the 5 minute warning signal for PHRF A/B/C and a Code Flag “5” for PHRF N Warning.

The warning signal for the second race on two race days will be ten minutes or as soon thereafter as possible after last finisher from the earlier race.

FINISH LINE: Club start races - Between an orange flag on Yacht Club balcony and mark “N” (R”2”). If course is shortened, finish between last mark of shortened course and RC boat. **River races** - Between an orange flag on RC boat and dropped orange mark or government mark in immediate vicinity of RC boat. If shortened, all classes finish between a mark of the original course and orange flag on RC boat. Boats will round mark as if course had not been shortened.

TIME LIMIT: Three hours each race. Boats finishing more than ninety minutes after the first boat will be scored DNF. This changes rules 35, 63.1, A4.1, and A5.

SCORING: Low point scoring system as specified in the Racing Rules of Sailing Appendix A will be used. For the Fall Series, if more than 5 races are scored, there will be one throw out allowed.

PROTESTS: Intent to protest and number of the protested yacht MUST be given to the Race Committee immediately after finishing by hail acknowledged by the Committee. Written protests must be delivered to the day’s race officer within one hour after the race committee boat docks or the last boat finishes the last race of the day.

PRIZES: Prizes for the Fall Series will be presented after Race #7 on October 25, or will be shipped UPS if all

racers have not completed the course by 1800 hours. Awards for Round the Buoys Race will be presented after the last race on October 19.

KEEP THE RIVER CLEAN RULE: Any yacht found disposing of litter over the side will be disqualified from the race. Please help keep our river clean.