

Free State Team Race

Hosted By Annapolis Yacht Club
and Severn Sailing Association

Annapolis, MD

July 18 – July 19, 2015

1 RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, Appendix D-Team Racing Rules, the ICSA Collegiate Dinghy Class Rules, and the Zim15 Class Rules.

1.2 Protests will be heard via 3-minute justice.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

The regatta is open to the first twelve (12) teams who submit entry forms for all team members. A team is not considered registered until all six (6) team members have submitted their entry forms and fees electronically. The regatta may be expanded in size in groups of four (4) teams at a time, however no more than sixteen (16) teams will be accepted.

3 FEES

3.1 Entry fee is \$150/boat. Registrations submitted after 2300 on 7/1/2015 will be subject to a late fee of \$25/boat. Registration will be available on line at:
www.annapolisyc.com/racing.

3.2 A damage deposit of (\$500/ team) will be secured by credit card at check-in on 7/18. This damage deposit amount does not limit the liability of a competitor for damages to the equipment.

3.3 Fee will include use of boats, cookout/casual dinner on Saturday after racing with provided beer, and snacks. Additional food and drinks will be available for purchase during racing (see below).

4 SCHEDULE

Saturday	July 18	0900 – 1000	Check-in
		1000	Competitors' meeting with racing to follow ASAP
		1730	Social event, AYC Annex (including beer for of-age competitors) and dinner
Sunday	July 19	1000	Report time with racing to follow ASAP
		1530	No new rounds started after
		1630	Awards

5 MINIMUM CREW WEIGHT

5.1 The combined weight of the entire six person team shall not be less than 870 pounds. Each team whose combined weight is less than this amount shall carry corrector weights while racing, the amount of which will be one pound of corrector weight for each pound of team weight less than 870 pounds. Corrector weights shall be distributed among the boats of a team to make the combined weight of skipper and crew of each of the three boats as even as practicable.

5.2 Providing corrector weights shall be the responsibility of the competitors. Only water in sealed jugs shall be acceptable. Competitors shall carry the corrector weights in every race, from boat to boat, and shall secure them in the cockpit of each boat with their own lines. Competitors who fail to do so risk disqualification from all races sailed without the necessary corrector weights.

5.3 Competitors will be weighed in at check-in prior to racing on Saturday. Competitors will be weighed in a light shirt, shorts and no socks or shoes.

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available on the regatta website www.annapolisyc.com/racing , and will be available at check-in.

7 VENUE

Competitor's meetings and social events / awards will be conducted at the AYC Junior Sailing Center located at 310 ½ Sixth St. Sailing will take place in Annapolis harbor just off the SSA dock and rotations will take place in the SSA basin. During racing, the SSA snack bar will be open from approximately 1000 to 1500 and will be serving breakfast burritos, burgers, fish tacos, as well as other gourmet sandwiches, drinks, and beer for purchase.

8 CLASS

18 AYC provided Club 420s and sails shall be used, along with 6 Zim 15s and sails.

9 SCORING and FORMAT

9.1 The regatta format will be determined by the Regatta Chairs and PRO based on number of teams and racing conditions. Possible formats include, but are not limited to round robins with all teams, and round robins with portions of the field.

9.2 Scoring will be in accordance with Appendix D, except as modified by the Sailing Instructions.

9.3 The Digital "N" course will be used and is illustrated in Appendix 1

10 SAFETY

10.1 Un-seamanlike, unsafe, and/or reckless boathandling that damages and/or risks damage to boats and/or endangers competitors and/or spectators will be grounds for disqualification and removal from the event at the discretion of the Race Committee.

10.2 Competitors shall wear USCG approved Type III Personal Flotation Devices (PFDs) at all times while afloat, except for brief periods while changing. Flotation aids" (Zhik, Baltic) are not permitted to be worn by competitors.

10.3 Failure to comply with 10.2 will be grounds for disqualification from all races sailed in violation of those instructions.

11 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

11.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 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.

12 LOGISTICAL INFORMATION

12.1 Competitors are encouraged to bring refillable water bottles. Water coolers / drinking fountains are available both at AYC and SSA.

12.2 The provided boats (18 420s and 6 Zim 15s) are at AYC. Boats will be returned to their berths after racing each day. Competitors are to report to AYC each morning.

12.3 Please see Appendix 2 for approximate regatta locations.

Additional Information

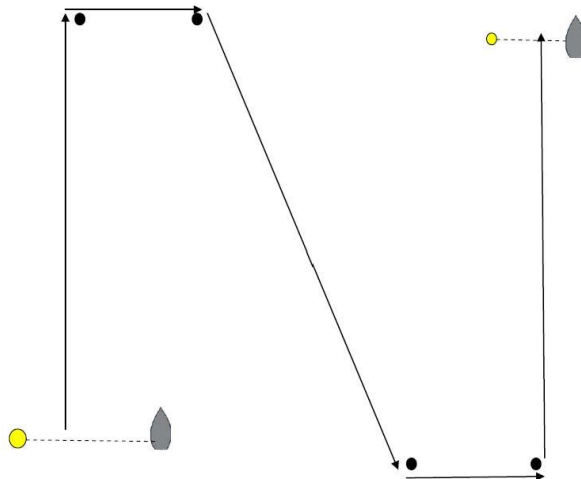
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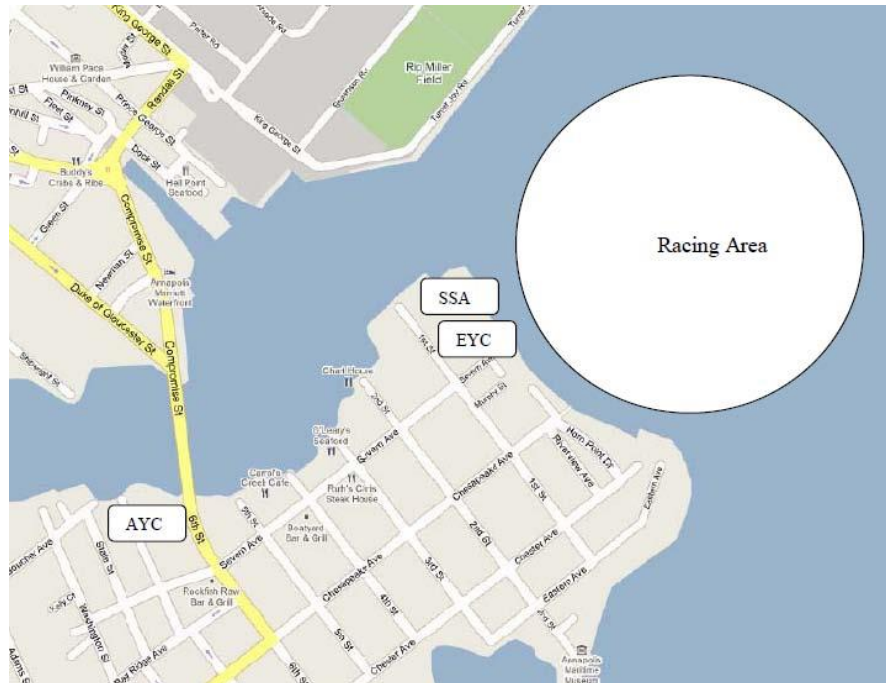
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Appendix 1



Appendix 2



Appendix 3

