



ANNAPOLIS YACHT CLUB

75th FALL SERIES

3 & 4, 10, 17 & 18 October 2015

Organizing Authority: Annapolis Yacht Club
Annapolis, Maryland, USA

Event Website: www.annapolisyc.com/racing

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS including Amendment #1

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2 Boats may not protest other boats for breaking SI marked [NP] (no protest). This changes RRS 60.1(a). Penalties for breaking SI marked [DP] (discretionary penalty) or for breaking RRS 55 may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board on the event website. All notices will also be posted outside the lower deck lobby of the AYC Main Clubhouse.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0830 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the mast at the AYC Main Clubhouse.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 90 minutes' in the race signal AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 There will be 3 fleets:
Fleet 1: J/70, J/80, PHRF B, PHRF C
Fleet 2: J/30, J/35, J/105, PHRF A0, PHRF A1, PHRF A2
Fleet 3: PHRF N, CBYRA Multihull A, CBYRA Multihull B
- 5.2 The racing schedule is as follows:

Saturday, 3 October	1000	Rendezvous for Fleet 1 at Severn River R"2"
	1100	Drop mark racing for Fleet 1, first warning signal of the day.
	1730	Party for all competitors after racing at AYC
Sunday, 4 October	1000	Rendezvous for Fleet 1 at Severn River R"2"
	1100	Drop mark racing for Fleet 1, first warning signal of the day.
Saturday, 10 October	0900	Rendezvous for all fleets at Severn River R"2"
	1000	First warning for the distance race for all fleets.
	1730	Party for all competitors after racing at AYC
Saturday, 17 October	1000	Rendezvous for Fleet 2 at Severn River R"2"
	1100	Drop mark racing for Fleet 2, first warning signal of the day.
	1730	Party for all competitors after racing at AYC
Sunday, 18 October	1000	Rendezvous for Fleet 2 at Severn River R"2"
	1100	Drop mark racing for Fleet 2, first warning signal of the day.

- 5.3 A total of six races, including the distance race, are scheduled for Fleets 1 and 2.
- 5.4 One race is scheduled for Fleet 3.

5.5 The race committee will rendezvous with the fleet near Severn River R"2". The committee will display flag L and proceed to the starting area.

6 CLASS FLAGS

6.1 The class flags are:

Class	Class flag
PHRF A0	Numeral pennant 0
PHRF A1	Numeral pennant 9
PHRF A2	Numeral pennant 2
PHRF B	Numeral pennant 6
PHRF C	Numeral pennant 7
PHRF N	Numeral pennant 5
J/35	Flag K
J/105	Flag V
J/80	Flag J
J/70	White flag with J/70 insignia
J/30	Flag D
CBYRA Multihull A	Flag W
CBYRA Multihull B	Flag F

6.2 Boats competing in the classes listed above (except the J/70 class) shall clearly display two class flags – one at the bow and one at the stern.

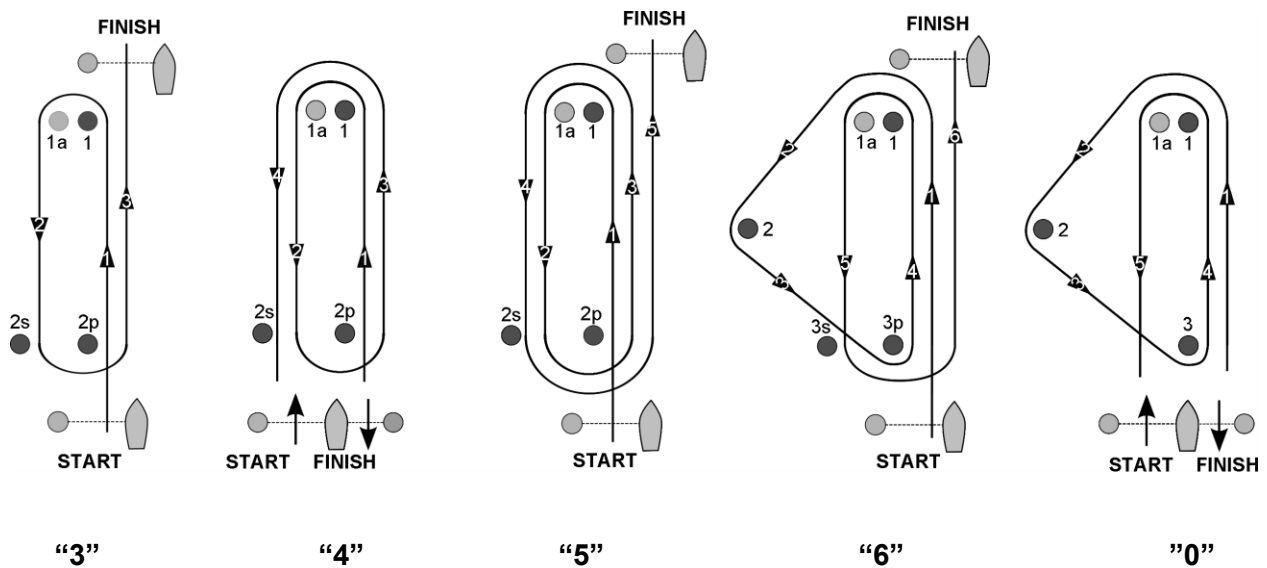
7 RACING AREA

The racing area will be in the Chesapeake Bay off the mouth of the Severn River. See Attachment 1, Race Area.

8 THE COURSES

8.1 The courses for the Distance Race are described in Attachment #2. No later than the warning signal, the course to be sailed will be shown on the starting line race committee boat.

8.2 The drop mark courses will be as shown in the diagrams (not to scale). The marks and the order in which they are to be passed are listed below:



- Course 3: Start, 1, 1a, 2s/2p, Finish Upwind
- Course 4: Start, 1, 1a, 2s/2p, 1, 1a, Finish Downwind
- Course 5: Start, 1, 1a, 2s/2p, 1, 1a, 2s/2p, Finish Upwind
- Course 6: Start, 1, 2, 3p, 1, 1a, 3s/3p, Finish Upwind

Course 0: Start, 1, 2, 3, 1, 1a, Finish Downwind

- 8.3 No later than the warning signal the race committee signal boat will display the course to be sailed, the approximate distance between the leeward and windward marks, and the approximate compass bearing of the first leg of the course.
- 8.4 If "NO GATE" is displayed with the course number the gate marks will be replaced with a single mark to be left to port.
- 8.5 If the race committee signal boat displays flag C before the warning signal, accompanied by a series of repetitive sounds, the first mark of the course is to be a change mark.

9 MARKS

- 9.1 For the distance race, the starting mark will be a lime green cylinder. The finish mark will be government mark R2.
- 9.2 Starting marks, finishing marks, and mark 1a will be lime green cylinders. All other marks of the course will be orange cylinders. New marks used in accordance with SI 12 will be orange cylinders with a dark colored band.
- 9.3 A race committee starting or finishing boat may set a stand-off buoy. When present, this stand-off buoy, the line attaching it to the race committee boat, and the race committee boat are all part of the starting or finishing mark.

10 THE START

- 10.1 The starting order for the first drop mark race on Saturday and Sunday, October 3 & 4 for Fleet 1 will be posted in Sailing Instruction Addendum #1, which will be posted as a notice to competitors by 1900 on Thursday, October 1, 2015.
- 10.2 The starting order for the distance race on Saturday, October 10 will be posted in Sailing Instruction Addendum #2, which will be posted as a notice to competitors by 1900 on Thursday, October 8, 2015.
- 10.3 The starting order for the first drop mark race on Saturday and Sunday, October 17 & 18 for Fleet 2 will be posted in Sailing Instruction Addendum #3, which will be posted as a notice to competitors by 1900 on Thursday, October 15, 2015.
- 10.4 The starting line will be between the staff or halyard with an orange flag displayed on the race
- 10.5 *[DP]* Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 10.6 A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4.
- 10.7 If flag U has been displayed as the preparatory signal, no part of a boat's hull, crew, or equipment shall be in the triangle formed by the ends of the starting line and the first mark during the last minute before her starting signal. If a boat breaks this rule and is identified, she shall be disqualified without a hearing but not if the race is restarted or resailed. This changes RRS A5. When the U flag is used as the preparatory signal, RRS 29.1 does not apply.

11 RECALLS

The race committee will attempt to announce boats identified as OCS by transmitting sail numbers over VHF Channel 72. Failure to hear or receive such broadcasts, timeliness of broadcast or the order of sail numbers announced, will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- 12.2 After a start, if flag "C" is flown over flag "Q", then the course change applies only to boats beginning their final leg to the finish. This changes RRS 33 (Changing the Position of the Next Mark) and RRS Race Signals.

13 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff or halyard displaying a blue flag on the race committee finish boat and the course side of the finishing mark.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

14.1 Penalties while racing: RRS 44.1, One-Turn and Two-Turns Penalties will apply.

14.2 Penalties after racing: RRS/US Appendix T, Section B (Post-Race Penalties) will apply.

15 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

15.1 The time limit for the distance race is six hours.

15.2 The time limit for drop mark races, for each class, is 2 ½ hours.

16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

16.1 Protest forms are available at the front desk of the AYC Main Clubhouse. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

16.2 The protest time limit is three hours after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The race committee will post the protest time limit.

16.3 The race committee will post a list of race committee scoring actions no later than the protest time limit.

16.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).

16.5 As soon as practicable after the protest time limit, the protest committee will post a notice to inform competitors of the schedule and location of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the AYC Main Clubhouse at 2000 on the Friday following the race.

17 SCORING

17.1 RRS Appendix A4, Low Point System, will apply.

17.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

17.3 A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

17.4 For the distance race on October 10th, RRS A4.1 is changed so that the points scored by a boat are multiplied by 1.5.

17.5 Series ties will be broken by the distance race score. This changes RRS A8. For boats tied with the same points score in the distance race, ties will be broken by applying RRS A8 to the remaining race scores.

17.6 The scoring abbreviation for a U flag penalty is UFD.

18 [DP] SAFETY REGULATIONS

18.1 All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channels 9, 13, 16 and 72.

18.2 A boat that retires from a race, or leaves the racing area between races, shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

18.3 [NP] A boat may not exercise right of way, cross in proximity to, or interfere with reasonable transit of the race area by commercial ships, tugs, or barges. Boats must take evasive action well in advance of a potentially dangerous situation. The US Coast Guard, ship captains, and bay pilots have been encouraged to report any incident they observe.

18.4 The race committee or protest committee may protest a boat for SI 18 based on information received from any source. The protest time limit does not apply. This changes RRS 60.2, 60.3, and 61.3.

19 PRIZES

19.1 Prizes will be given as follows: for 3 or more entrants: 1st place
for 5 or more entrants: 2nd place
for 7 or more entrants: 3rd place

19.2 Perpetual trophies and other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

19.3 Prizes will be awarded at the AYC Annual Awards Ceremony on Saturday, 21 November, 2015

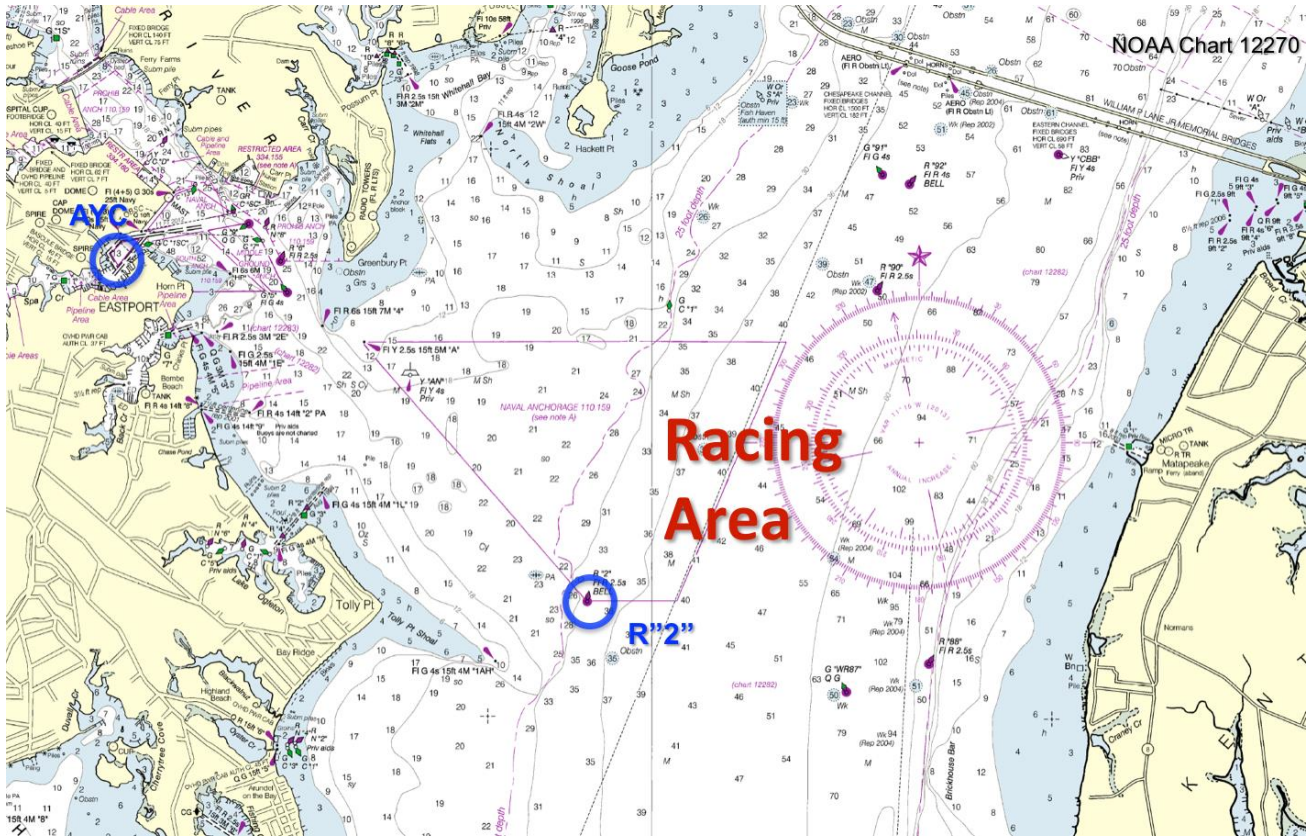
20 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

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.

21 INSURANCE

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

ATTACHMENT 1 – DROP MARK RACE AREA



Annapolis Yacht Club - Regatta Venue
 38°58'26"N 76°29'07"W



ATTACHMENT 2 – DISTANCE RACE COURSES AND RACE AREA

- 2.1 The start will be in the vicinity of Severn River R"2".
- 2.2 The course will utilize CBYRA Region 3 marks as shown below.
- 2.3 The course will be signaled by the display of letters on the race committee signal boat. Marks shall be rounded in the order displayed. Marks displayed in red shall be left to port. Marks displayed in green shall be left to starboard.
- 2.4 A lime green cylinder will be used as the pin end starting mark. This mark may also be used as a rounding mark during the race. If it is used as a rounding mark, it will be signaled as Mark "U".
- 2.5 Mark "V" will be an orange cylinder drop mark which may be used as the first windward mark of the course.
- 2.6 The following marks are considered passing marks and shall be passed on the channel side at all times: Severn River yellow dolphin "A", Tolly Point dolphin "1AH", Thomas Point Light, and Bloody Point Light.
- 2.7 The race may be shortened at any rounding mark signaled as stated in 2.3.

