

WRSC Le Mans Madness Race West River, MD, Saturday June 18th, 2016 GENERAL SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

These Sailing Instructions change RRS 26.

At the PREPARATORY SIGNAL:

- ♣ All boats will be anchored in the designated starting area no later than 10:45am behind the starting line. Minimum allowed scope for anchoring is 5:1. Use of manual and powered windlass is allowed. The starting line is defined as the line between the Race Committee boat and a cylindrical drop mark.
- ♣ All crew must be below deck.
- ♣ The mainsail must be down and on the boom and tied with at least one sail tie.
- ♣ The headsail will be down on the foredeck. Roller-furling sails will be entirely furled.
- ♣ Halyards may be attached and sails pre-fed.
- ♣ At the STARTING SIGNAL: Crew may come on deck, raise the anchor (no buoying the anchor), set sail and pass through the start line.

JAM (Jib & Main) and Spinnaker divisions will be started together and scored separately. Competitors whose Chesapeake PHRF rating includes a non-penalty Pole and Spinnaker, may choose not to use their spinnaker and receive a 9 sec/mile credit on their rating. They may use their pole with any of their luff attached headsails without any rating penalty. There is also no penalty for using more than one luff attached headsail.

Any vessel needing a PHRF rating will be assigned a temporary rating for this race.

Automated means of self steering are allowed during the race only as a course holding device to allow the skipper to briefly attend to matters outside the cockpit.

Manual and powered windlasses are allowed.

Auxiliaries may be started AFTER the STARTING SIGNAL, if desired. The transmission shall not be engaged except to avoid a collision. Auxiliaries shall not be used to gain a tactical advantage, nor to drive up onto the anchor. Auxiliaries will be shut down once a vessel passes through the starting line.

The Race Committee will monitor VHF Channel 72.