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WRSC Shorthand Classic Regatta West River, MD, Saturday May 6th, 2017 NOTICE OF RACE AND GENERAL SAILING INSTRUCTIONS **RULES**

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing. 1 ENTRIES

Competitors may enter by contacting:

Rich Acuti, Race Chairman, 914 Edgewood Rd., Edgewater, MD 21037. salvage210@gmail.com 410-980-

Please include Skipper name, e-mail address and phone #, Yacht name, Sail number, Home Club and PHRF rating. Entry Fee: \$20 by May 2nd, \$5 Late Fee after May 2nd (\$25). Registration via www.RegattaNetwork.org or standard CBYRA entry form is preferred.

Eligibility:

Open to all yachts meeting ISAF Category 5P equipment requirements as modified by Chesapeake Bay PHRF, being sailed single or double handed.

Automated means of self-steering are allowed in both divisions.

Use of Spinnakers: Competitors whose Chesapeake PHRF rating includes a nonpenalty Pole and Spinnaker, may use their pole with any of their luff attached headsails without any rating penalty. Only one spinnaker pole can be flown at a time and only in accordance with the rating certificate. Whisker poles used with jibs, and jib booms have no restrictions. Asymmetric spinnakers are allowed.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at WRSC clubhouse and/or emailed to competitors by the race chair.

3 SAFETY

Racers will have a VHF radio accessible from the cockpit.

If retiring, racers will inform the Race Committee via VHF Ch. 68. Racers will make continuous attempts until acknowledged.

Racers may communicate with each other via VHF Ch. 68. This changes RRS Rule 41.

4 SIGNALS

Starting signals will be in accordance with RRS 26.

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Class	<u>Time</u>	<u>Signal</u>
	1100	Warning
Spin	1105	Start
JAM	1110	Start
Multi	1115	Start

5 SCHEDULE

The warning signal for this race will be sounded and displayed at 11:00am May 6, 2017.

Race Committee will monitor VHF Ch. 68. Competitors will check in with the Committee Boat prior to the race. Failure to check in will result in DSQ.

6 CLASSES and FLAGS

Competitors in the Spinnaker division are suggested to fly a 3rd Substitute pennant from their backstay. Competitors in the JAM (Jib and Main) division are suggested to fly a 3rd Substitute pennant with a plain, white flag beneath the 3rd Substitute, from their backstay.

Competitors in the Multi-hull division are suggested to fly Code Whiskey from their backstay.

Failure to fly the suggested flag will not be cause for DSQ, we just want an idea of who is who.

Single and Doublehand Spinnaker boats will race against each other. Single and Doublehand JAM boats will race against each other.

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7 RACING AREA/ COURSE[S] and MARKS

The racing area will be West River and environs.

8 COURSE[S] and MARKS

There will be two course options depending prevailing conditions. Each will finish at the fixed, Pirate's Cove Marina Committee Stand.

Start: Between WRSC Committee Boat and Green Can "SR", vicinity of Thomas Point Light.

Finish: Between White/Orange cylinder and fixed Race Committee stand at the end of the Pirate's Cove

Course: All West River channel marks shall be considered as passing marks and shall be passed on the channel side at all times.

Marks in order of passing:

Course "1" (long course) designated by "1" on the RC boat course board.

FROM GC "SR" (CBYRA Mark "H" vicinity of Thomas Point Light)

to Port R "84A" (FI R 2.5s Buoy)

to port GR C "SR" (CBYRA Mark "H")

to starboard R "2" (FI R 2.5s Daymark, mouth of West River)

to starboard R "4" (FI R 4s Daymark near Cedar Point, West River)

to Finish.

Distance: 22.2NM

Course "2" (short course) designated by "2" on the RC boat course board.

FROM GC "SR" (CBYRA Mark "H" vicinity of Thomas Point Light)

to starboard GC "1" (FI G 4s)

to port R N "2" (South River) (CBYRA Mark "P")

to starboard GC "1A" (FI G 2.5s)

to starboard R "2" (FI R 2.5s Daymark, mouth of West River)

to starboard R "4" (FI R 4s Daymark near Cedar Point, West River)

to Finish.

Distance: 9.2 NM

The RC will display the number for the chosen course on a course board on the RC boat.

The RC may shorten course at any mark. Code Flag "S" signifies that all yachts shall finish between the RC boat and nearby mark of the course in the direction from the last mark. Two guns or other sound signal (horn) will be used to attract attention to the flag signal.

9 STARTING SYSTEM

The Starting System of RRS 26 will be used.

Spinnaker, JAM (Jib and Main) and Multihull divisions will be started separately and scored separately.

10 TIME LIMIT

The time limit for the race will be 6 hours from start to finish.

11 PROTESTS

Protests shall be delivered to WRSC Clubhouse within 1 hour of the protesting yachts finish. Hearings will be held as soon as possible after racing in the WRSC clubhouse.

12 SCORING

The Low Point System of Appendix A of the racing rules will apply.

13 TROPHIES

Trophies will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, 3rd place in each division at an awards party at WRSC at the end of the season.