



Harbor 20 East-West Challenge September 8-10, 2017

Organizing Authority: Annapolis Yacht Club
Annapolis, Maryland, USA

Event Website: <http://www.annapolisyc.com/racing/regattas>

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the sailing instructions (SIs) or notice of race (NoR) means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification. The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the SIs or NoR means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1 RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

2 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board at:
<http://www.annapolisyc.com/default.aspx?p=.NETEventView&ID=3768684&ssid=307802>

2.2 On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors via VHF radio on channel 72.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the SIs will be posted before 0945 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 flown ashore will be flown from the flagpole at the AYC Junior Sailing Center.
4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 The racing days will be September 9 and 10.
5.2 Competitors' meetings will be held at 0930 on September 9 and 10.
5.3 The warning signal for the first race of the regatta is scheduled for 1100 on September 9.
5.4 No warning signal will be made after 1500 on the last day of the regatta.
5.5 Four races are scheduled for each day.
5.6 Races not completed on the scheduled day are rescheduled as the first races on the following day. Races not completed the last day of racing will not be sailed.

6 BOATS PROVIDED BY THE ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

6.1 Harbor 20 boats will be provided for competing teams.

6.2 SI Attachment 1, Rules for the Handling and Assigning Boats, will apply.

7 CLASS FLAGS

The class flags will be a flag with the Harbor 20 logo. Boats are not required to fly class flags.

8 RACING AREA

The racing area will be the Severn River or on the Chesapeake Bay off the mouth of the Severn River.

9 THE COURSES

9.1 The courses are shown in SI Attachment 2.
9.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel 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.

10 MARKS

10.1 Start/finish mark and mark 1a will be yellow cylinders. All other marks of the course will be orange cylinders. New marks used in accordance with SI 13 will be orange cylinders with a dark colored band.
10.2 A race committee starting or finishing vessel may set a stand-off buoy. When present, this stand-off buoy, the line attaching it to the race committee vessel, and the race committee vessel are all part of the starting or finishing mark.

11 THE START

11.1 The starting line will be between the staff or halyard with an orange flag displayed on the race committee signal vessel and the course side of the starting mark.
11.2 A boat that does not start within 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

12 RECALLS

The race committee will announce on VHF radio boats identified as OCS, UFD, or BFD. Failure to hear or receive such broadcasts, the timeliness of broadcast or the order in which boats are announced, will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

13 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

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.

14 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff or halyard displaying an orange flag on the race committee finishing vessel and the course side of the finishing mark.

15 PENALTY SYSTEM

15.1 Penalties while racing: Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

15.2 RRS Appendix T, Arbitration, will apply.

16 TIME LIMITS

16.1 The time limit for the first boat to sail the course and finish is 60 minutes.

16.2 Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

17 PROTESTS, REQUESTS FOR REDRESS, SCORING INQUIRIES

17.1 Protest forms are available at annapolisyc.org/racing/protest and at the race office, located in the Sailing Office at the AYC Sailing Center. Protests, requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the protest time limit. These may alternatively be delivered by email to raceoffice@annapolisyc.org.

17.2 Scoring inquiry forms are available at annapolisyc.org/racing/protest and at the race office. They can be delivered there or by email to raceoffice@annapolisyc.org. When the race committee receives a scoring inquiry form, it will review its records and respond as soon as practicable.

17.3 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the race committee signal vessel docks. The race committee will post the protest time limit.

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

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

17.6 As soon as practicable, 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 at the Sailing Office at the AYC Sailing Center.

18 SCORING

18.1 Eight races are scheduled.

18.2 Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

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

18.4 East-West Perpetual Trophy:

(a) The score for each Coast will be the sum of all the race scores of all boats in that team.

(b) The Coast with the lowest score will be the winner of the East-West Perpetual Trophy.

(c) If there is a tie, all the race scores for all boats on each Coast shall be listed in order of best to worst, and at the first point where there is a difference the tie shall be broken in favor of the Coast with the best score. If the tie remains, it shall be broken in favor of the Coast with the best finishing boat in the last race.

19 SAFETY REGULATIONS

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

20 PRIZES

20.1 Participant gifts will be given to all competitors.

20.2 The East-West Perpetual Trophy will be awarded as described under "Scoring", and will be retained by the winning Coast until the next East-West Regatta.

20.3 Awards will be presented at the Awards Dinner held at the AYC Clubhouse Sunday evening.

21 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.

SI ATTACHMENT 1 - Rules for the Handling and Assigning Boats

A1 ASSIGNING BOATS

A1.1 At the Friday Welcoming Party:

- (a) Boats will be assigned by random draw: The East and West team captains will alternate drawing boat numbers until 8 boats have been drawn for each team.
- (b) The boat draw will determine the boats assigned to each team on Saturday.
- (c) Skippers will not swap boats during the day.

A1.2 Saturday Assignments

- (a) The team captain will assign boats to the skippers on their team and inform the race committee of the assignments by the start of the Saturday morning briefing.
- (b) The race committee will distribute the boat assignments to the teams before leaving the harbor for racing.

A1.3 Sunday Assignments

- (a) For Sunday, the teams will swap boats so that the 8 boats sailed by East Team on Saturday will be sailed by the West Team on Sunday.
- (b) The team captain will assign boats to the skippers on their team and inform the race committee of the assignments by the start of the Sunday morning briefing.
- (c) The race committee will distribute the boat assignments to the teams before leaving the harbor for racing.

A2 [DP] HANDLING BOATS

A2.1 These rules apply at all times when competitors are using the boats (both ashore and afloat).

A2.2 Competitors will use the boats provided and may not make any modifications (including adjustment of standing rigging) without prior approval of the OA, except that telltales may be added to boats and batten tension may be adjusted.

A2.3 All supplied equipment shall be carried aboard.

A2.4 Running rigging and fittings shall be used for their intended purposes only.

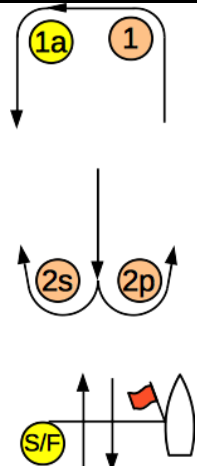
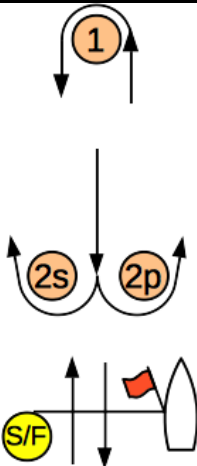
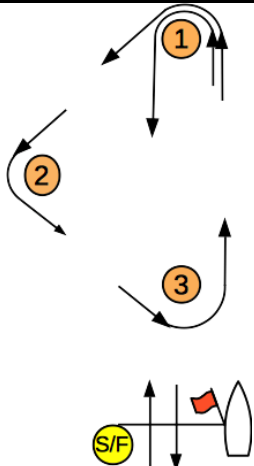
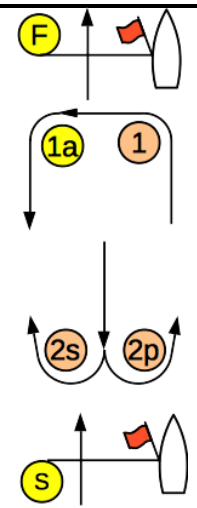
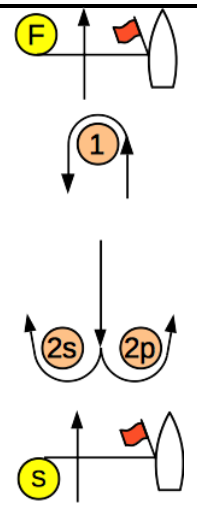
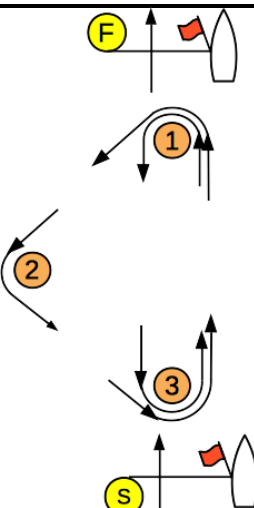
A2.5 While reasonable steps are taken to equalize the boats, variations will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.

A2.6 Competitors are responsible for inspecting their assigned boats before each race for possible breakdowns and missing equipment. Discrepancies must be reported to the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

A2.7 Competitors shall report any damage, breakdown, or loss of equipment, however slight, to the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

SI ATTACHMENT 2 - COURSES

In the below table, the course designation is followed by the mark rounding order for that course. All marks except 2S are to be rounded to port. If the race committee displays "NO GATE" near the course designation, then mark 2S will not be set. If there is a conflict between the color or shape of a mark below and SI 10 (Marks), SI 10 will govern.

<div style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold; margin-bottom: 10px;">LA</div>  <p>LA2: Start-1-1a-2s/2p-1-1a-Finish LA3: Start-1-1a-2s/2p-1-1a-2s/2p-1-1a-Finish</p>	<div style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold; margin-bottom: 10px;">L</div>  <p>L2: Start-1-2s/2p-1-Finish L3: Start-1-2s/2p-1-2s/2p-1-Finish</p>	<div style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold; margin-bottom: 10px;">TL</div>  <p>TL2: Start-1-2-3-1-Finish TL3: Start-1-2-3-1-3-1-Finish</p>
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