



**Halloween Howl Regatta**  
**October 27-28, 2018**  
Organizing Authority: Annapolis Yacht Club,  
Annapolis, Maryland, USA  
<http://www.annapolisyc.com/racing>



## NOTICE OF RACE

*The notation '[DP]' in a rule in this NoR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.*

### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 The "USODA Conditions for Sanctioned Regattas and Championships" will apply.
- 1.3 [DP] Competitors shall wear USCG approved Type III Personal Flotation Devices (PFDs) at all times while afloat except for brief periods while removing or adding clothing. Inflatable type PFDs and "floatation aids" are not permitted.

### 2 ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1 Boats in the Optimist class are invited to participate.

### 3 FEES AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The entry fee is \$70. Entry fees paid before 1700 on Monday, October 12 will receive a \$10 discount. Entry fees are payable in full upon registering and are non-refundable.
- 3.2 The entry fee includes, at a minimum, racing, Halloween Costume and Awards Party with food on Sunday after racing. Additional details will be included on the event website or the sailing instructions.
- 3.3 Boats wishing to enter shall register on line at: <http://bit.ly/ayc-hh18-onb>.
- 3.4 To be considered an entry in the regatta, a boat shall complete all registration steps and pay all fees.

### 4 SCHEDULE

- 4.1 Onsite registration will be available between 0800 and 0930 on October 27.
- 4.2 The racing days will be October 27 and 28.
- 4.3 A competitors' meeting will be held at 0930 on each scheduled day of racing.
- 4.4 The warning signal for the first race of the regatta will be 1030.
- 4.5 Multiple races may be sailed each day, to be further detailed the sailing instructions (SIs).
- 4.6 No warning signal will be made after 1500 last scheduled day of racing.
- 4.7 A Halloween Costume and Awards Party will be held after racing on Sunday.

### 5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1 The SIs will be available on the event website by 1700 on Sunday, October 21.

### 6 VENUE

- 6.1 The racing area will be the Severn River for the Red, White, and Blue fleets, and either the Severn River or Spa Creek for the Green fleet.
- 6.2 The regatta venue will be the AYC Sailing Center, 510 Severn Avenue, Annapolis, MD 21403. The SIs may change venue location details due to construction on AYC properties.

### 7 THE COURSES

- 7.1 The courses to be sailed will be drop mark courses.

### 8 SCORING

- 8.1 RRS Appendix A4, Low Point System, will apply as changed by the SIs.

### 9 SAFETY

- 9.1 The race committee may require a competitor to retire from racing if the competitor is determined to be a risk to their own or others' safety.
- 9.2 Competitors without a designated support boat shall inform the organizing authority at registration.

### 10 [DP] COACHING

- 10.1 All persons aboard support boats shall wear USCG approved Type III Personal Flotation Devices (PFDs) at all times while afloat except for brief periods while removing or adding clothing. Inflatable type PFDs and "floatation aids" are not permitted.
- 10.2 Support boats may be responsible for up to a maximum of 10 sailors.
- 10.3 On the water, the race committee intends to make courtesy broadcasts to support persons on VHF radio. The specific channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 10.4 All support boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on US VHF channels 9, 13, 16, 68, 69, 71, 72, and 73.
- 10.5 Except in the case of emergency, support boats shall not enter the racing area from the preparatory signal until the last boat finishes or permission is given by the race committee to do so.

### 11 PRIZES

- 11.1 Prizes will be given to the top 3 boats in each class.

11.2 Prizes will be given to first through fifth places for overall standing in the Optimist Red/White/Blue fleet.

11.3 Participation awards will be given to all competitors in the Optimist Green fleet.

11.4 An award will be given for the Best Costume at the Halloween Costume and Awards Party.

## **12 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

12.1 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.

## **13 INSURANCE**

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

## **14 FURTHER INFORMATION**

14.1 For more information contact:

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