



**Penguin & Comet
Fall Frostbite
November 7, 2020
Tred Avon Yacht Club
Oxford, MD**

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, 2017 – 2020 (RRS).
- 1.2 In the event of a conflict between the *Notice of Race* and the *Sailing Instructions*, the *Sailing Instructions* take precedence. This changes RRS 63.7.
- 1.3 All boats shall be in compliance with their respective class rules.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the event website at www.tayc.com/racing by 0900 on race day in the News and Notices section.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the event website no later than 0900 on race day.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the signal mast on TAYC's upper deck.
- 4.2 When flag "AP" is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 45 minutes" in Race Signal AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 There will be no Competitors Meeting.
- 5.2 The warning signal for the first class of the first race will be 1045.
- 5.3 The race committee will start as many races as time and conditions allow.
- 5.4 No race will start after 1430.

6 CLASS FLAGS

- 6.1 The Race Committee signal boat will display the class flag of the next class to start no later than its warning signal.
- 6.2 The class flags will be the class insignia on a white background.

7 RACING AREAS

- 7.1 The racing area will be the Tred Avon River generally in the area S/SW of the TAYC clubhouse and N of Foxhole Creek to the west and Bachelor Pt. to the east.

8 THE COURSES

- 8.1 The attached diagrams (page 4) show several courses with corresponding course letters.
- 8.2 No later than the warning signal, the Race Committee will display the course letter, the approximate magnetic bearing to the first mark and the approximate distance in nautical miles. In addition, for courses "P" and "T", the number of laps will be displayed.
- 8.3 For courses "P" and "T", boats may not sail through the start/finish line unless starting or finishing. A breach of this rule will result in being scored DSQ. This changes RRS A5.
- 8.4 Courses may be shortened by the Race Committee at any mark.
- 8.5 Boats that have finished a race must keep clear of boats in another class that are still racing.

9 MARKS

- 9.1 The starting mark will be an orange cylinder.
- 9.2 The finishing mark will be an orange ball.
- 9.3 The windward, wing and leeward marks will be yellow tetrahedrons.
- 9.4 A Race Committee starting or finishing boat may set a stand-off buoy, which buoy, the line attaching it to the race committee boat and the race committee boat are all part of the starting and finishing mark.

10 THE START

- 10.1 The sequence of starts will be Comets first, then Penguins.
- 10.2 Races will be started using horn signals and the three (3) minute Audible-Signal Racing System described in RRS Appendix U. This replaces RRS 26.
- 10.3 A series of short attention sounds will be used for each class to alert competitors of the Race Committee's intention to sound the warning signal in approximately 1 minute.
- 10.4 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee signal boat and the course side of the starting mark to port.
- 10.5 A boat crossing the starting line later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored "DNS" without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.
- 10.6 For individual recalls, the Race Committee will attempt to hail OCS boats, but the failure to hail, the hail of some but not all OCS boats, the order in which hailed or untimely hailing of boats shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 10.7 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence of the other class.

11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 11.1 A change of the next leg of the course will be accomplished in accordance with RRS 33.

12 THE FINISH

- 12.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee signal boat and the course side of the finishing mark to starboard.

13 TIME LIMITS

- 13.1 The time limit for the first boat in each class to finish will be one (1) hour.
- 13.2 All other boats must finish within 15 minutes of the first boat in her class or be scored "TLE" and given two (2) points plus the last properly finishing boat, not to exceed class registrants plus one (1). This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

14 PROTEST AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 14.1 There will be no Protest Committee to hear protests or requests for redress except a protest from the Race Committee. This changes RRS 60.
- 14.2 If a boat needs to absolve itself of an infraction, it must perform the appropriate one-turn or two-turn penalty (RRS 44.1).

15 SCORING

- 15.1 One race must be completed to constitute the regatta.
- 15.2 If five(5) or more races are completed, a boat's worst score will be excluding from her total score, subject to RRS 90.3(b).

16 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 16.1 A boat that retires or leaves the racing area between races shall notify the Race Committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 16.2 Competitors are strongly encouraged to wear a USCG approved PFD while racing.

17 SPECIAL COVID-19 REGATTA RULES

- 17.1 Social distancing shall be practiced at all times while on Club property, especially around the boat lift and other areas of congestion.
- 17.2 Masks covering the nose and mouth shall be worn by all individuals while on Club property.
- 17.3 Current state requirements for protection against the transmission of Covid-19 must be practiced throughout the regatta.
- 17.4 The clubhouse will be locked; restrooms may be accessed from the outside only. There will be no food or bar service other than pre-ordered lunches and breakfast snacks, all of which will be available at the Galley Window.
- 17.5 Non-crew members will not be allowed on Club property immediately before, during or after the racing with the exception of race officials.

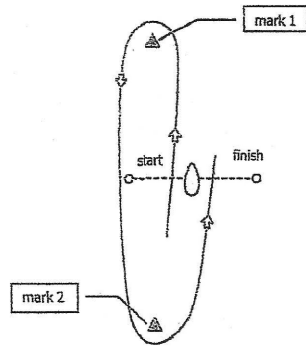
18 PRIZES

- 18.1 Trophies will be awarded as stated in the NOR.

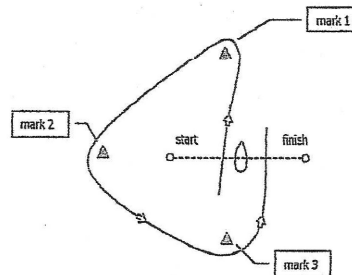
19 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 19.1 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.

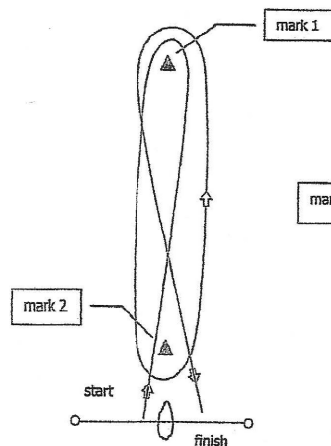
Fall Frostbite Courses



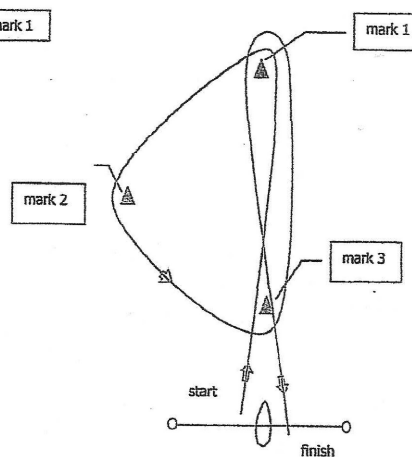
Course P
May be multiple laps



Course T
May be multiple laps



Course L



Course O

The leeward mark on the first upwind and last downwind legs
can be disregarded for Courses L and O