



Robert K. Robson Memorial Race
Saturday, August 14, 2021
Tred Avon Yacht Club/Chesapeake Bay Yacht Club
Oxford, MD

Sanction #325

NOTICE OF RACE

As amended 8/9/21 to incorporate Amendments #1 through #3

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, 2021 – 2024 (RRS).
- 1.2. The Nearshore Category of the US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements (SERs) will apply as changed below.
 - (a) In the event of a conflict between the SERs and applicable class rules, the class rules shall govern.
 - (b) The following SERs will also apply:
 - SER 2.4.1, Lifelines
 - SER 2.7.2, Mechanical Propulsion
 - SER 3.14, GPS receiver
 - SER 3.22, Soft plugs for through-hull fittings
 - SER 3.24.1, Lights
 - SER 3.26, Radar reflector
 - SER 3.35, Rigging: Halyards

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. The regatta is open to all boats with a valid 2021 PHRF of the Chesapeake rating, 2021 ORC rating, or a valid 2021 CRCA rating, the rating certificate to be on board.
- 2.2. Starts will be given to all PHRF classes, PHRF Non-Spinnaker, CHESS, J-30, J-105, and CRCA classes as long as a minimum of 3 paid entries per class have been received by the deadline of Thursday, August 12.
- 2.3. Boats with both PHRF and ORC ratings may be dual scored and pay only one fee. However, such boats must register in both classes.
- 2.4. Boats racing in ORC will be scored as a single class.
- 2.5. Eligible boats must register by going to the TAYC website (www.tayc.com/racing) and completing the entry form for the event. Entry forms must be received no later than 1200 on Thursday, August 12.

3. FEES

- 3.1. The entry fee is \$30 for CBYRA or US Sailing members, \$35 for non-members to be received no later than 1200 on Thursday, August 12.

4. SCHEDULE

- 4.1. Participants shall rendezvous at 0900 in the vicinity of Choptank River Mark "O" (Choptank River Light) and check in with the Race Committee (RC) signal boat flying the "L" flag prior to their Warning Signal.
- 4.2. The Warning Signal for the first class to start is scheduled for 1000. Classes will generally be started in reverse order, with slower classes first.
- 4.3. Classes may be combined for starting and scoring purposes at the discretion of the Organizing Authority. Changes to the starting order or classes will be announced in an Amendment to the Sailing Instructions to be posted on the event website no later than 1700 August 14.

5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1. The Sailing Instructions will be posted on the event website no later than 1700 August 9.

6. THE VENUE

- 6.1. There will be two races, the second starting as soon as possible after the conclusion of the first.
- 6.2. The courses will use government buoys and drop marks in the Choptank River and Tred Avon River.

7. TIME LIMIT

- 7.1. 3 hours for first boat in class in each race.

8. SCORING

- 8.1. RRS Appendix A4, Low Point System, will apply.
- 8.2. Corrected times for PHRF classes will be calculated using PHRF Time-on-Time and CircularRandom ratings.
- 8.3. Corrected times for the ORC classes will be calculated using ORC Time-on-Time TripleNumber ratings.
- 8.4. Corrected times for the CRCA-ORR classes will be calculated using handicaps supplied by the CRCA-ORR class administration based upon course type and observed wind strength.

9. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 9.1. Boats should monitor VHF channel 71 for courtesy broadcasts from the Race Committee.

10. PRIZES

- 10.1. Prizes will be given as follows: 1 if 3 finishers, 2 if 5 finishers, 3 if 7 or more finishers.
- 10.2. Prizes will be presented at 1630 at the TAYC clubhouse. Coat & tie requested.
- 10.3. Prizes will be shipped to all winners. Results will be posted at www.tayc.com/racing.

11. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 11.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, 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.

12. INSURANCE

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

13. SPECIAL COVID-19 REGATTA RULES

- 13.1. Current state and local requirements for protection against the transmission of Covid-19 must be practiced throughout the regatta. Masks and social distancing are recommended for those who have not been fully vaccinated.

14. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 14.1. For further information contact Vicky Van Loo: 410-226-5269 or manager@tayc.com.
- 14.2. Pets: With the exception of service animals, TAYC does not allow dogs or other pets in the clubhouse or on the club's grounds at any time.