

71st Star Fall Wind-Up(Rescheduled) & Shields Fall Series October 8-9, 2022 Tred Avon Yacht Club & Eastern Shore Star Fleet Oxford, MD

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS As Amended October 6, 2022

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (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.

2. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1. Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the notice board and event website no later than 0900 each race day.

3. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the notice board at the TAYC clubhouse and the event website at www.tayc.com/racing by 0900 each race day in the News and Notices section.
- 3.2. On the water, the Race Committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF channel 68.

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 60 minutes" in Race Signal AP.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1. 5 races are planned.
- 5.2. Competitors' Meeting at 0900 Saturday Oct. 8 at the TAYC clubhouse.
- 5.3. The warning signal for the first race will be at 1025 on Saturday, Oct. 8 and Sunday, Oct. 9.
- 5.4. The Race Committee will start as many races as time and conditions allow, but no more than 3 per day. Subsequent races may be started soon after the last boat finishes the prior race.
- 5.5. No start will be made after 1400 on Sunday.

6. RACING AREA

6.1. The racing area will be in the Choptank River in the vicinity of Choptank River Light and as far west as G "13" unless notice is made ashore on the event website. If weather conditions warrant, races may be held in the Tred Avon River.

7. THE COURSES

- 7.1. STCR 34.3.9 Format C will be used, including prescribed time limits and course distances. The attached diagrams with identification numbers (pages 4 & 5) indicate the types of courses to be sailed. If the PRO determines that conditions warrant, courses distances may be set less than the Format C prescriptions. This changes STCR 34.3.9.
- 7.2. The course identification number will be displayed from the Race Committee signal boat no later than the warning signal:
 - 0 triangle-windward-leeward-windward (Olympic)
 - 1 triangle-windward-leeward (Modified Gold Cup)
 - 3 windward-leeward-windward-leeward-windward
 - 4 windward-leeward-windward-leeward
- 7.3. An offset mark may be set for either course 3 or 4. A leeward gate may be used.
- 7.4. Courses may be shortened in accordance with RRS 32.2. This changes STCR 34.3.1.

8. MARKS

- 8.1. Marks for the course will be orange spheres. The offset mark, if used, will be a small orange ball.
- 8.2. 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 or finishing mark.

9. THE START

- 9.1. Races will be started using RRS 26. A series of short attention sounds will be used to alert competitors of the Race Committee's intention to sound the warning signal in approximately 1 minute. Attention signals will not be sounded for the second class warning even if that warning is delayed from the first class's starting signal.
- 9.2. The order of the first start and class flags are as follows:
 - 1 Star White flag with Star insignia
 - 2 Shields White flag with Shields insignia
- 9.3. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee signal boat and the course side of an orange cylinder to port of the signal boat.
- 9.4. The Race Committee will attempt to hail OCS boats on VHF channel 68, 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).
- 9.5. After a general recall, a new starting sequence will begin one minute after the lowering of code flag "First Substitute" with one sound.

10. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

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

11. THE FINISH

11.1. The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the Race Committee signal boat and the course side of an yellow cylinder to starboard of the signal boat.

12. TIME LIMIT

- 12.1. The time limit for the first boat to finish will be 2 hours.
- 12.2. Boats not finished within 30 minutes of the first boat will be recorded "DNF."

13. PROTEST AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 13.1. In addition to satisfying the requirements of RRS 61.1a, the protesting yacht must notify the Race Committee signal boat at the finish line and receive acknowledgement.
- 13.2. A written protest or request for redress must be filed with the Race Committee within one hour after the Race Committee signal boat returns to the dock. Docking time will be posted on the official bulletin board. Protest forms are available in the clubhouse.
- 13.3. The time and location of protest hearings will be posted as soon as practicable after the protest time limit on the official bulletin board.

14. SCORING

- 14.1. RRS Appendix A4, Low Point System, will apply.
- 14.2. One race must be completed to constitute the series.
- 14.3. If more than four (4) races are completed, a boat's worst score will be excluded from her total score.

15. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 15.1. A boat that retires or leaves the racing area between races shall notify the Race Committee at the first reasonable opportunity by hail or on VHF channel 68.
- 15.2. Competitors are strongly encouraged to wear a USCG approved PFD while racing.

16. PRIZES

- 16.1. Trophies will be awarded as follows: 1, 2 and 3 overall for the weekend.
- 16.2. Special trophies may also be awarded:

AB Streeton Trophy: Winning boat after Saturday's racing.

North Emory Bartlett Trophy: Winning boat for Sunday's races.

17. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

17.1. 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.





