

2023 US ALBACORE ASSOCIATION North American Sailing Championship October 7-9, 2023

Organizing Authority: United States Albacore
Association

Club/Host Organization: Miles River Yacht Club
St. Michaels, Maryland

Official Website: [US Albacore Association](https://www.usalbacore.org)

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES:

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) for 2020-2024, the latest International Albacore Class Rules, and these Sailing Instructions.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRIES:

See the NOR

3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS:

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Regatta Network website:

https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/26318#_home

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE and ON THE WATER:

Signals made ashore will be displayed from the signal boat located at a slip in the marina.

When flag AP is displayed ashore, the warning signal will be made not less than 45 minutes after the AP flag is lowered. This changes RRS Race Signals "AP."

5. SCHEDULE:

Several races may be sailed on any day at the discretion of the race committee (6 races maximum). The warning signal for the first race each day scheduled as indicated below:

Sat. Oct. 7th 1000 Skippers Meeting: 1130 Warning Signal for Race 1, other races to follow

Sun. Oct. 8th 1045 Warning Signal for 1st race of the day, other races to follow.

Mon. Oct. 9th 1045 Warning Signal for 1st race of the day, other races to follow.

Awards **immediately** following racing on Monday. No warning signal after 1400 on Monday October 9th.

6. CLASS FLAGS:

The class flag will show the class insignia or as described at the Skipper's Meeting.

7. THE COURSES:

7.1 Location: The location of the racing area will be selected by the Race Committee for each race day depending on weather conditions.

7.2 Start: The Start line will be between the yellow or orange flag on the signal boat and yellow race mark at the port end. In the event the course is shortened, the finish line will be between the "S" flag and a nearby mark on the course. A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing.

7.3 Finish: Finish line will be between the yellow or orange flag on the signal boat and a mark off the stern of the signal boat.

7.4 Course Designation: Courses will be Windward-Leeward, Triangle or Triangle-Windward-Leeward designated by a letter "W", "T" or "O" (respectively) posted by the Race Committee on the signal boat. The course will be posted prior to the Preparatory signal for the start. Examples courses are shown in Appendix: Courses below.

7.5 Required Side: All turning marks will be left to port.

7.6 Marks: Turning marks will be large orange or yellow tetrahedrons. Change of course marks will be large yellow cylinders. Mark types may be changed at the skippers meeting, if necessary.

8. TIME LIMIT

The time limit for each race will be 2 hours for the first boat to finish. Boats finishing more than 30 minutes after the first boat that sails the course finishes will be scored DNF. This changes RRS 35.

9. PROTESTS

Protests and requests for redress shall be delivered to the Race Committee within one hour after the race committee signal boat docks. Competitors intending to file a protest or request for redress shall advise the Race Committee as soon as practicable after finishing. The protest time limit and a list of protests and requests received will be posted on the notice board. Hearings will be held as soon as possible after racing each day in the clubhouse boardroom.

10. RADIO COMMUNICATION:

A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones, but does not apply to any communication received or transmitted to request or render assistance to a vessel in distress.

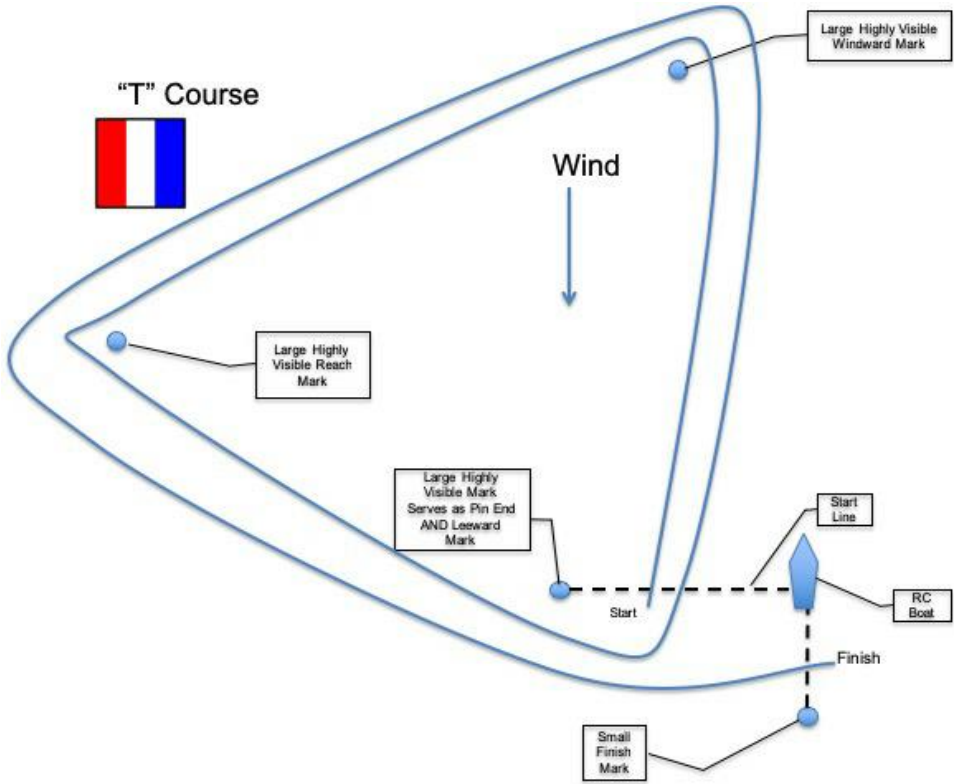
11. SCORING: See the NOR.

12. PRIZES: See the NOR.

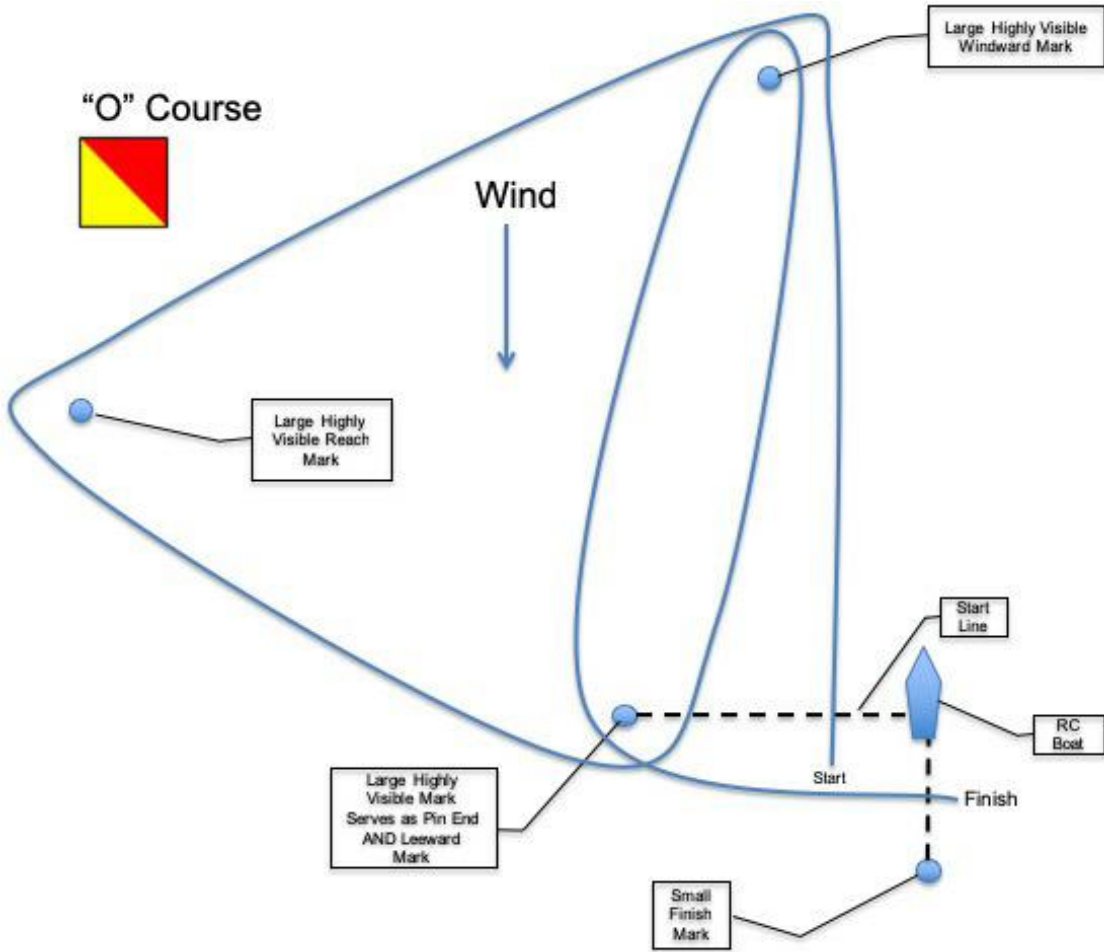
13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY:

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, "Decision to Race", and Registration form. 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.

APPENDIX: COURSES



"O" Course



“W”
Course

