Chester River Yacht & Country Club and Corsica River Yacht Club Chester River Log Canoe Regatta JULY 12-13, 2025 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. ENTRIES: – Register at Regatta Network:

https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet registration form.php?regatta id=30107 or at committee boat in the vicinity of buoy RG "CR" near the mouth of Corsica River. There is a \$40 entry per boat for this regatta.

- 2. RULES
 - 2.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, as modified by the Class Racing Rules of the Chesapeake Bay Log Canoe Association, except as any of these are changed by these sailing instructions or by the PRO.
- 3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS: Notices to competitors will be posted on CRYC.ORG
- 4. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS: Notices and changes will be made to all yachts or their support boats verbally or by radio from the Committee Boat.
- 5. COMMITTEE BOAT: The Committee Boat will communicate via VHF channel 71.
- 6. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE: All signals will be made from the Committee Boat; none will be made ashore.
- 7. SCHEDULE OF RACES:

Race	<u>Date</u>	Warning Signal	<u>Start</u>
1	Saturday	1000	1010
2	Saturday	1400	1410
3	Sunday	1000	1010

- 8. THE COURSE: The course will be displayed on the starboard side of the Committee Boat prior to the warning signal and throughout the starting sequence. It will consist of a sequence of letters, each indicating the next mark to round. The letters will be displayed in red to round the mark to port, and in green to round to starboard.
- 9. THE MARKS: The turning marks will be a combination of government buoys and/or 5 ft. yellow racing marks, as identified in the Chester River Regatta Course Sheet that will be available at the committee boat.
- 10. THE START: The race will be started with signals made at 5-minute intervals. This changes RRS Rule 26. Signals will be made as follows:

Signal	Time to Start	Shape
Warning	10 minutes	White
Preparatory	5 minutes	Blue
Start	0 minutes	Red

- 10.1. A sound may accompany each flag signal; however, times shall be taken from the visual signals. Failure of a sound signal shall be disregarded.
- 10.2. The starting line will be between an orange or yellow flag on the Committee Boat and a nearby orange buoy.
- 10.3. A "Safety Buoy" may be positioned to leeward of the Committee Boat and considered an EXTENSION OF THE COMMITTEE BOAT. Passing between it and the Committee Boat or hitting it will be considered to have hit the Committee Boat.
- 10.4. No race will be started in less than 3 knots of wind. The decision to start a race shall be made by each skipper, based on his or her own judgment. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk.
- 11. RECALLS: Recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS Rule 29.
 - 11.1. In the case of individual recall, the Committee will attempt to hail the sail number(s) of the yachts on course side. However, regardless of whether this hail is heard, responsibility for starting properly rests with each yacht.
- 12. CHANGE OF COURSE AFTER THE START: A change of course will be signaled near the mark beginning the leg being changed by a Race Committee mark boat that will display Code Flag "C," a sheet displaying the new mark letter(s), and the approximate compass bearing to the new next mark.

- 13. THE FINISH: The finishing line will be the same as the starting line, unless the course is shortened, in which case it will be between a turning mark of the course and a blue flag on the Committee Boat or a Race Committee mark boat per Rule 32. The Finish line will be open.
- 14. PENALTIES: As specified in the CBLCA Class Racing Rules, a yacht may take a One-Turn (360 degree) penalty when she may have broken a rule of RRS Part 2 while racing. This changes RRS Rule 44.1.
 - 14.1. If a competitor makes contact with the Committee Boat and as a result of such contact, damage occurs to the Committee Boat and/or injury is sustained by any of the Race Committee, the offending yacht shall retire immediately from that race. No penalty will be allowed. This modifies RRS Rule 44.
- 15. TIME LIMIT: The time limit will be 2.5 hours. Yachts failing to finish within 1 hour after the first yacht finishes, or after the time limit, whichever is later, may be scored on their position at time limit.
- 16. PROTESTS: The Race Committee must be informed of intent to protest as the yacht finishes the race involved. Protests shall be written and lodged with the Race Committee within one hour after the last yacht's finish in the last race of the day, using a copy of the Protest Form found in the back of the RRS.
 - 16.1. Time and location of the protest hearing will be posted on the regatta notice board at the CRYC pavilion.
 - 16.2. A protesting yacht must fulfill the requirements of RRS Rule 61.1, with the additional requirement that the protesting yacht shall make all reasonable efforts to inform the protestee upon filing a protest with the Race Committee, so that the protestee is aware of the need to appear at the protest hearing.
- 17. SAFETY: All canoes shall have a chase boat/tender with life jackets for all the crew. All canoes must have a life ring or throwable cushion with a rope. Any crewmember who cannot swim must wear a life jacket. It is the sole responsibility of the owner and/or skipper that these requirements are met. In the event of an injury requiring hospital attention, a report to Maryland Natural Resource Police must be made within 24 hours of the injury.
- 18. SCORING: The scoring system shall be the Low Point System as described in RRS Appendix A.
 - 18.1. Completion of 1 race will constitute a series.
 - 18.2. The CBLSCA Handicap System will determine corrected order of finish.
- 19. PRIZES: The Awards ceremony will be held at the conclusion of racing on Sunday at Corsica River Yacht Club at Ship Point on the Corsica River.
 - 1. The Janet J. and Robert M. Hewes Trophy First Place in the series based on corrected time
 - 2. The Silver Heel Trophy First place in the series based on uncorrected time
 - 3. The Peter Esslinger Trophy First Place in the first Saturday race on corrected time
 - 4. First Place in the second Saturday race on corrected time
 - 5. The Stratdorth Trophy First Place in the first Sunday race on corrected time