

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
INTERNATIONAL PENGUIN CHAMPIONSHIP
September 13 & 14, 2025
Corsica River Yacht Club
529 Conquest Rd, Centreville, Maryland

1. RULES

- 1.1 This Regatta is sanctioned by the International Penguin Class Dinghy Association (IPCD) and will be conducted and hosted by Corsica River Yacht Club (CRYC). The regatta will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) the Notice of Race, the Penguin Class rules and by these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 Minimum crew weight for the regatta is 290 lbs for classic Penguins and 310 lbs for modern boats which adhere to the Burtis design parameters. Minimum hull weight is 140 lbs for all boats.
- 1.3 Excess hull weight may be applied toward the crew weight minimum. Maximum non-floatable ballast is 40 lbs. Additional ballast shall be floatable.
- 1.4 Any boat that capsizes during a race as defined by the mast touching the water, shall retire from that race.
- 1.5 Required equipment includes: one USCG approved PFD for each person, one serviceable paddle, and a painter or tow rope not less than twenty five (25) ft long and three-sixteenths (3/16) inches in diameter.

2. ENTRIES

Eligible boats may be entered by completing the registration form at Regatta Network <https://www.regattanetwork.com>

3. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official noticeboard located in the CRYC pavilion.
- 3.2 A skipper's meeting will be held on Saturday, September 13, at 1000 under the CRYC pavilion.

4. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 4.1 Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 0930 on the day it will take effect.

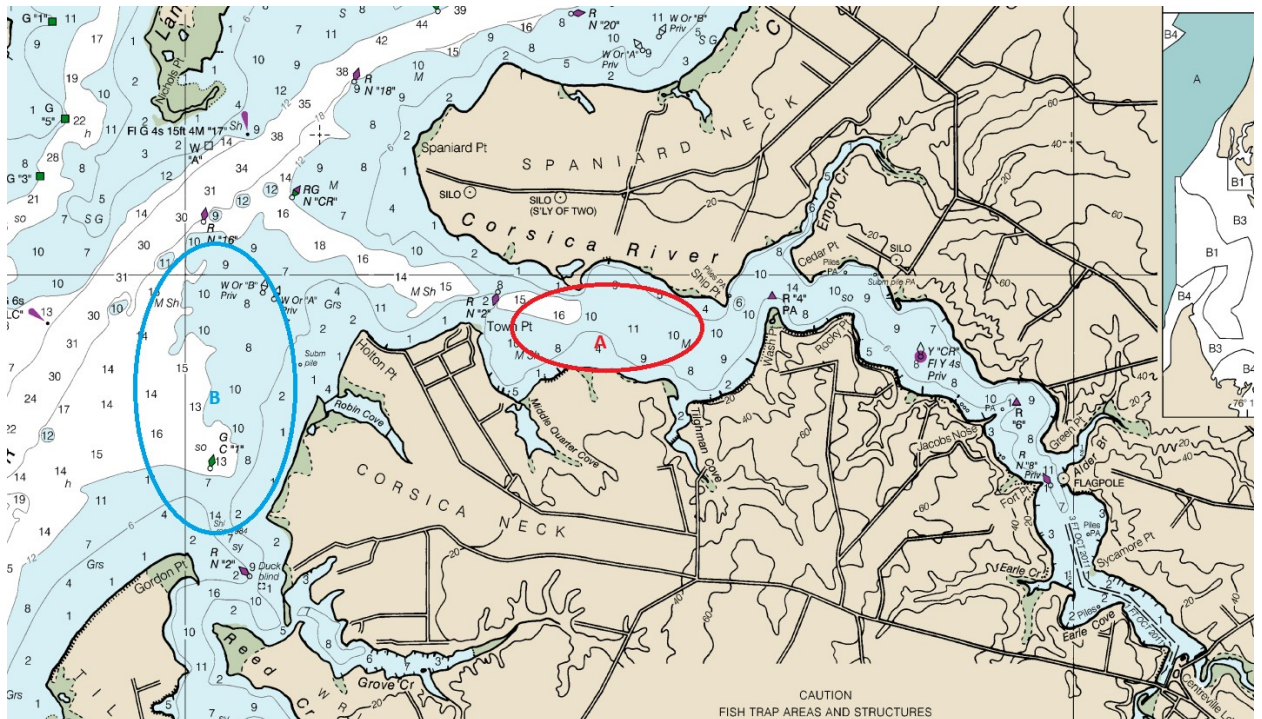
4.2 A change to the Schedule of Races will be posted before 1900 on the day before it will take effect.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

A maximum of eight races are scheduled over the two day period conditions permitting. The harbor start signal for Saturday will be at 1030. For Sunday the harbor start signal will be at 1000. On Sunday no warning signal will be made after 1500.

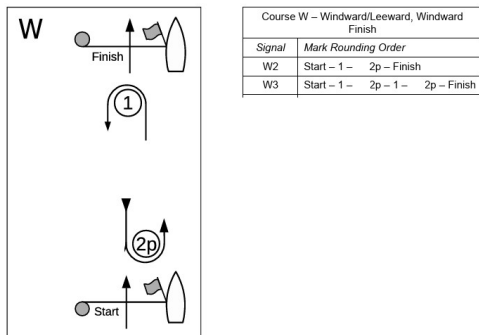
6. RACING AREA

The race area will be on the Chester River or the of the Corsica River.

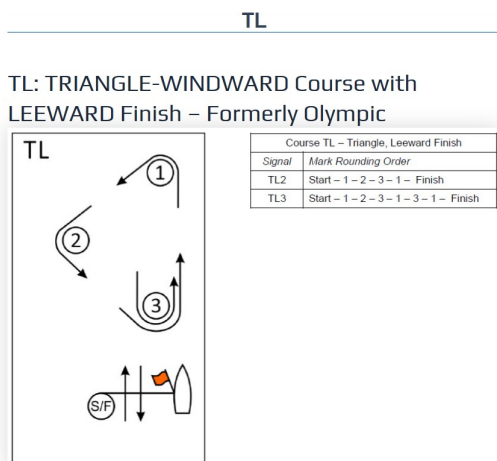


7. THE COURSE

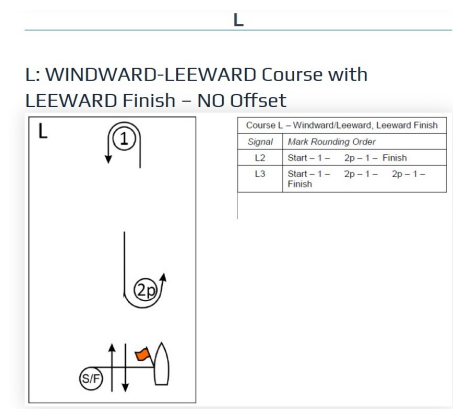
7.1. W is windward leeward course with no offset or leeward gate. Finish above the weather mark.



7.2 TL is triangle followed by windward leeward course with no offset or leeward gate, finish is below the leeward mark.



7.3 **Course L** is windward leeward course with no offset or leeward gate. Finish below the leeward mark.



7.4 No later than the warning signal, the race committee will display the course designator.

8. MARKS

8.1 The rounding marks will be inflatable yellow cylinders.

8.2 Change marks, will be orange cylinder.

8.3 Start and finish marks will be orange cylinder

9. THE START

9.1 Races are started using RRS Appendix U with a courtesy sound before the three-minute sequence. A class flag will be raised at the start of sequence (3 min.) and lowered at the start.

9.2 The starting line will be between a staff or halyard displaying an orange flag on the race committee boat and a short orange cylinder race mark at the port end.

9.3 A boat shall not start later than ten (10) minutes after her starting signal.

10. CHANGE OF COURSE

When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

11. THE FINISH

The finish Line may be the same as the starting line It will be an Orange Cylinder and the Blue flag on the signal boat.

12. PENALTY SYSTEM

12.1 RRS Rule 44.1 and 44.2 will be in effect.

13. TIME LIMIT

13.1 The time limit will be one and one half (1 ½) hours. If no boat reaches the first mark in thirty (30) minutes, the race is abandoned. Boats should return to the start line for a new start.

13.2 Boats which do not finish within thirty (30) minutes of the first boat to finish will be scored number of finishers plus two (2).

14. PROTESTS

14.1 Participants intending to protest shall notify the race committee as soon as practicable after they finish the race in which the incident occurred, and receive verbal acknowledgement from the race committee.

14.2 Protests shall be written on forms available at the race committee shed or the race notice board. They are to be delivered to a member of the Race Committee or the Protest Committee within one (1) hour after the committee boat docks.

14.3 Protests will be heard as soon as possible. Hearing time and location will be announced and posted on the race notice board.

15. SCORING

The Low Point Scoring System will apply. Multiple races are scheduled, of which three (3) races shall be completed to constitute a series. There will be one (1) throw out if six (6) or more races are sailed. This changes rule A2.1.

16. SAFETY REGULATIONS

A boat that retires from a race or leaves the racing area prior to the end of racing shall notify the race committee as soon as practical. The race committee can be notified by contacting any race committee boat.

17. COMMERCIAL TRAFFIC

A boat may not exercise right of way, cross in proximity to, or interfere with reasonable transit of the race area by commercial ships, tugs, or crabbers. Boats must take evasive action well in advance of a potentially dangerous situation. The US Coast Guard, ship captains, and bay pilots have been encouraged to report any incident they observe.

18. PRIZES

Awards as per the Notice of Race will be presented on the grounds of the CRYC after the racing on Sunday, September 14th.

19. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS rule 4, Decision to Race. Neither the organizing nor hosting authorities will accept any liability for material damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the regatta.