

2014 Annapolis Labor Day Regatta 30 & 31 August 2014

Organizing Authority: Annapolis Yacht Club Annapolis, Maryland, USA Event Website: <u>www.annapolisyc.com/racing</u> Hosted by: Annapolis Yacht Club, Eastport Yacht Club, & Gibson Island Yacht Squadron

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

For instructions marked [DP] or [NP] see sailing instruction (SI) 19.8.

1 RULES

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

2 REGATTA HEADQUARTERS

The regatta headquarters will be the AYC Junior Sailing Building on Saturday and the Eastport Yacht Club on Sunday.

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board on the event website. All notices will also be posted on the bulletin board on the AYC Junior Sailing Building on Saturday and on the waterside of Eastport Yacht Club on Sunday.

4 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the mast at the AYC Clubhouse. Signals may be repeated from the mast at the Eastport Yacht Club.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1 Racing schedule is as follows:

	Racing Day	Time	Scheduled Event
	Saturday 30 August	1000	Rendezvous for all classes
		1100	First Warning Signal for all classes
		1700-2030	All Racers Party at AYC Sailing Center
	Sunday 31 August	1000	Rendezvous for all classes
		1100	First Warning Signal for all classes
		1430	No Warning Signal will be made after this time
		1730-2030	Awards Party at Eastport Yacht Club

- 6.2 Races not completed on the scheduled day are rescheduled as the first races on the following day. Races not completed the last day of racing will not be sailed.
- 6.3 One race is scheduled for the PHRF Corinthian (cruising) Class. (Saturday only).
- 6.4 Four races are scheduled for the PHRF A0, PHRF A1, PRHF B, PHRF C, PHRF N, and Cal 25 classes, including the Cedar Point Race.
- 6.5 Six races are scheduled for the PHRF A2, J/24, J/70, J/80, J/30, J/35, J/105, Alberg 30, and Sport Boat Classes.
- 6.6 One completed race will constitute a series.
- 6.7 The assignment of boats to divisions and the rendezvous locations will be available as Sailing Instruction Addendum 1 on the event website by Wednesday 27 August.

7 CLASS FLAGS

The class flags are shown in Attachment 1, Class Flags.

8 RACING AREAS

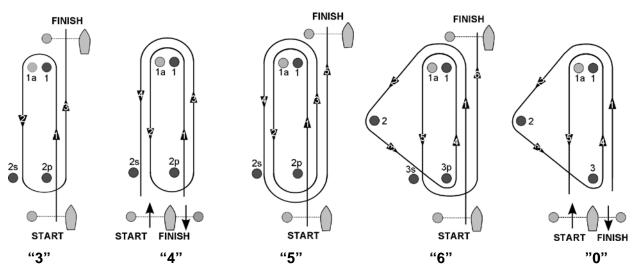
The racing area will be in the Chesapeake Bay off the mouth of the Severn River. See Attachment 2, Race Area for division rendezvous locations.

9 THE COURSES – CEDAR POINT

- 9.1 The start will be in the vicinity of Severn River G "9".
- 9.2 The course will utilize CBYRA Region 3 marks. See Attachment 3.
- 9.3 The course will be defined by letters displayed on the signal boat.
- 9.4 Marks shall be passed in the order displayed. Marks designated in red shall be left to port. Marks designated in green shall be left to starboard.
- 9.5 The following marks shall be considered passing marks and shall be passed on the channel side at all times: Severn River Dolphin "AN", Tolly Point Dolphin, Thomas Pt. Light and Bloody Pt. Light.

10 THE COURSES – DROP MARK

10.1 The drop mark courses will be as shown in the diagrams (not to scale). The marks and the order in which they are to be passed are listed below:



Course 3: Start, 1, 1a, 2s/2p, Finish Upwind Course 4: Start, 1, 1a, 2s/2p, 1, 1a, Finish Downwind Course 5: Start, 1, 1a, 2s/2p, 1, 1a, 2s/2p, Finish Upwind Course 6: Start, 1, 2, 3p, 1, 1a, 3s/3p, Finish Upwind Course 0: Start, 1, 2, 3, 1, 1a, Finish Downwind

- 10.2 No later than the warning signal the race committee signal boat will display the course to be sailed, the approximate distance between the leeward and windward marks, and the approximate magnetic bearing of the windward mark.
- 10.3 If the race committee signal boat displays flag C before the warning signal, accompanied by a series of repetitive sounds, the first mark of the course is to be a change mark

11 MARKS

- 11.1 Mark descriptions for each division are in Sailing Instruction Addendum 1.
- 11.2 A race committee starting or finishing boat may set a stand-off buoy. When present, this standoff buoy, the line attaching it to the race committee boat, and the race committee boat are all part of the starting or finishing mark.

12 THE START

- 12.1 At the division rendezvous, the race committee will display flag L and proceed to the starting area.
- 12.2 The starting order for the first race of each day is shown in Sailing Instruction Addendum 1.

- 12.3 The starting line will be between the staff or halyard with an orange flag displayed on the race committee signal boat and the course side of the starting mark.
- 12.4 [DP] Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 12.5 A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4.

13 RECALLS

The race committee will attempt to announce boats identified as OCS by transmitting sail numbers over VHF radio. The channel assignments for each Division are in Sailing Instruction Addendum 1. Failure to hear or receive such broadcasts, timeliness of broadcast or the order of sail numbers announced, will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

14 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 14.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- 14.2 After a start, if flag "C" is flown over flag "Q", then the course change applies only to boats beginning their final leg to the finish. This changes RRS 33 and RRS Race Signals.

15 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff or halyard displaying a blue flag on the race committee finish boat and the course side of the finishing mark.

16 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 16.1 Penalties while racing: RRS 44.1, One-Turn and Two-Turns Penalties will apply.
- 16.2 Penalties after racing: RRS/US Appendix T, Section B (Post-Race Penalties) will apply.
- 16.3 Post-Race Penalty forms are available at the protest desk. The protest desk will be located in the AYC Junior Sailing Building on Saturday and at Eastport Yacht Club on Sunday. File the form at the protest desk.

17 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES – CEDAR POINT

In each class, the time limit is four hours and thirty minutes (4 ½ hrs.).

18 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES – DROP MARK

In each class, the time limit is ninety (90) minutes. In one design classes, boats failing to finish within twenty (20) minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

19 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 19.1 Protest forms are available at the protest desk. The protest desk will be located in the AYC Junior Sailing Building on Saturday and at Eastport Yacht Club on Sunday.
- 19.2 Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 19.3 The protest time limit for each division is sixty (60) minutes after the division's race committee signal boat docks. The race committee will post the protest time limit.
- 19.4 The race committee will post a list of race committee scoring actions no later than the protest time limit.
- 19.5 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 19.6 RRS/US Appendix T, Section D (Arbitration), will apply.
- 19.7 As soon as practicable after the protest time limit, the protest committee will post a notice to inform competitors of the schedule and location of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held at the Junior Sailing Building on Saturday and Eastport Yacht Club on Sunday.
- 19.8 Boats may not protest other boats for breaking SI marked [NP]. This changes RRS 60.1(a). Penalties for breaking SI marked [DP] or for breaking RRS 55 may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.

20 SCORING

- 20.1 RRS Appendix A4, Low Point System, will apply.
- 20.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 20.3 A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 20.4 Boats to be scored TLE and not thereafter retiring, being penalized or given redress will be scored points equal to the number of boats finishing within the time limit plus two (2) points, but not worse than Did Not Finish, by the race committee without a hearing. This changes RRS A4.2 and A5.
- 20.5 Scoring inquiries may be made via the online notice board on the event website or at the protest desk.

21 [DP] SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 21.1 All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channels 9, 13, 16 and the division courtesy channel.
- 21.2 A boat that retires from a race, or leaves the racing area between races, shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 21.3 [NP] 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 barges. 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.
- 21.4 The race committee or protest committee may protest a boat for SI 21.3 based on information received from any source. The protest time limit does not apply. This changes RRS 60.2, 60.3, and 61.3.

22 PRIZES

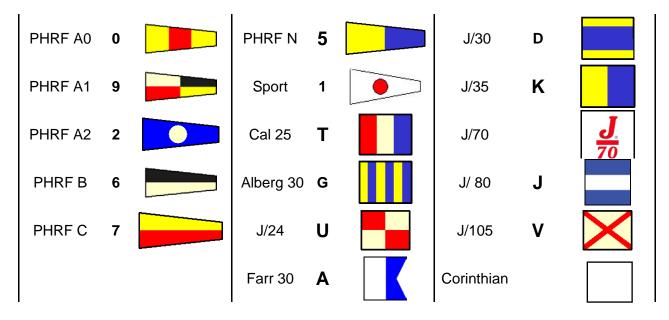
- 22.1 Prizes will be given for the top 3 finishers in each class.
- 22.2 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organizing authority.

23 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, 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.

24 INSURANCE

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



ATTACHMENT 1 – CLASS FLAGS

ATTACHMENT 2 - RACE AREA

