

2020-2021 AYC Frostbite Series

1st Series: November 8 - December 13, 2020 2nd Series: February 7 - March 21, 2021

Organizing Authority: Annapolis Yacht Club, Annapolis, Maryland, USA https://www.annapolisyc.com/racing/regattas

NOTICE OF RACE

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in this NoR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification. The notation '[NP]' in this document means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2017-2020 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 [DP] Each boat shall race with at least three crew (including the skipper) with body weights of at least 100 pounds.
- 1.3 [DP] While racing, a boat's crew may not change sails, leave the cockpit, extend body limbs over the lifelines or emerge from a hatch beyond the waist.
- 1.4 [DP] RRS 50.2 (Spinnaker Poles; Whisker Poles) and RRS 50.3(c) (Use of Outriggers) are changed such that no Spinnaker Pole or Whisker Pole shall be used while racing. Any other outrigger type shall comply with RRS 50.3(a).
- 1.5 For ORC and PHRF classes, the "Nearshore" category of the US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements (available at https://www.ussailing.org/competition/offshore/safety-information/ser-world-sailing-special-regulations/) will apply.

2 COMMUNICATIONS

- 2.1 The official notice board will be located electronically on the event website at https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=13212
- 2.2 On the water, the race committee intends to make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The specific channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 2.3 All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channels 9, 13, 16, 65, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72 and 73.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 Boats of the Cal 25, Etchells, Harbor 20, J/22, J/30, J/70, J/80, J/105, ORC, and PHRF classes are invited to participate. Boats wishing to enter shall register online at: https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=13212
- 3.2 The person in charge entering a boat shall be a regular, active participant on the boat for the regatta and is responsible for the actions of the boat and crew while participating in the event.
- 3.3 Boats entered in PHRF shall have a valid 2020 PHRF of the Chesapeake rating. Boats in an ORC class shall have a valid 2020 ORC International or ORC Club certificate, see https://www.ussailing.org/competition/offshore/orc/. A boat's certificate when they register shall be used for the entire regatta.
- 3.4 For a one-design class to be scored as a separate class for a series, it must have a minimum of 5 entries by 1200 on the day of the first race of the series.
- 3.5 The race committee will determine the starting order and the ORC splits. More than one class may start at the same time.
- 3.6 [NP] Every competitor (skippers and all crew) shall sign the AYC Liability and Waiver Agreement before they participate in any race of the event. The document will be available electronically on the event website.
- 3.7 To be considered an entry and to be scored in the regatta, a boat shall complete all registration steps including the waiver (see NOR 3.6) and pay all fees.

4 FEES

- 4.1 For registration and entry fees received by 1700 on Friday, October 30, 2020, the early entry fee is \$215. After that time, the entry fee is \$265. Entry fees are payable in full upon registering and are non-refundable.
- 4.2 The entry fee includes, at a minimum, racing and awards. Additional details will be included on the event website or the sailing instructions.

5 SCHEDULE

The event will consist of two series: (a) 1st Series - November 8 - December 13, 2020; (b) 2nd Series - February 7 - March 21, 2021. The Hangover Bowl will be sailed on January 1, 2021 (separate NoR).

- 5.2 The first warning signal is scheduled to be made at 1300 with one race scheduled each Sunday. This may be changed by the sailing instructions.
- 5.3 A Skippers' Meeting will be held electronically at 1900 on Thursday, November 5. This will be an online meeting using Zoom. Zoom meeting details will be posted by 1200 on Thursday, November 5.
- 5.4 Due to COVID-19 precautions, there will be no social events for frostbiting at the club. Plans for presenting prizes will be posted on the notice board.

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

6.1 The SIs will be available on the event website approximately 10 days prior to the first scheduled race.

7 THE COURSES

7.1 The courses will use a mix of inflatable marks and government marks on Spa Creek and the Severn River as described in the sailing instructions.

8 PENALTY SYSTEM

8.1 RRS 44.3, Scoring Penalty, will apply as changed by the sailing instructions. RRS 44.2, One-Turn and Two-Turns Penalties, will NOT apply.

9 SCORING

- 9.1 RRS Appendix A4, Low Point System, will apply as modified by the SIs.
- 9.2 Six days of racing are scheduled for the 1st Series, seven days for the 2nd Series. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 9.3 When 4 or fewer races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When 5 to 11 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. When 12 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her 2 worst scores.
- 9.4 The first sentence of RRS Appendix A (Scoring), rule 4.2 is replaced by: "A boat that did not start, did not finish, retired after finishing, was TLE, did not come to the starting area or was disqualified shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats that finished."
- 9.5 RRS Appendix A9 (Race Scores Longer than a Regatta) is deleted.
- 9.6 Corrected times for PHRF will be calculated using PHRF Time-on-Time scoring and "Random Course Handicap (Non-Spinnaker)" ratings. The A and B factors will be specified in the sailing instructions.
- 9.7 Corrected times for ORC will be calculated using ORC Time-on-Time Triple Number ratings. The race committee will assign the course type ("Inshore/Windward Leeward" or "Coastal/Long Distance") and the wind speed rating (Low, Medium, or High) on race day as detailed in the sailing instructions.

10 DOCKING

- 10.1 Boats shall not tie up to or touch the docks belonging to the Yacht Basin immediately next to the Yacht Club. Boats that violate this rule will be responsible for all charges from the Yacht Basin and be subject to protest by the race committee.
- 10.2 Boats may tie up to and raft off of docks owned by AYC, but may not extend over the AYC property line.

11 PRIZES

- 11.1 Prizes will be given for the top 3 boats in each class.
- 11.2 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organizing authority.

12 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

12.1 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.

13 INSURANCE

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

14 FURTHER INFORMATION

14.1 For more information contact:

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