



Storm Trysail Club

2023 Annapolis Fall Regatta

for the

ORC Mid-Atlantic Championship

Annapolis, Maryland, USA

October 20-22, 2023

The Organizing Authority is the Storm Trysail Club, Chesapeake Station.

NOTICE OF RACE (NOR)_{v1}

The notation '[NP]' in a rule 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 Racing Rules of Sailing* including US Sailing prescriptions.

1.2 The US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements (SERs) for Nearshore with associated Appendices, available at:

<https://www.ussailing.org/competition/offshore/safety-information/ser-world-sailing-specialregulations/>

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official notice board approximately one week before the event.

3 COMMUNICATION

3.1 The online official notice board is located at: <https://yachtscoring.com/emenue.cfm?eid=15616>

3.2 All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channel 74. On the water, the race committee will make broadcasts on VHF channel 74.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1 The event is open to boats with a valid 2023 ORC certificate.

4.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form online, together with the required fee, via: <https://yachtscoring.com/emenue.cfm?eid=15616>

4.3 A minimum of 15 paid entries is required by September 1, 2023.

5 FEES

Entry fee will be \$10/foot LOA (rounded down to nearest whole foot) for entries received and paid for by September 1, 2023. After September 1st the Entry Fee will be \$12/foot.

6 SCHEDULE

6.1 . The first warning signal each Day will be at 1030 hours.

6.2 Friday: A distance race is scheduled for Friday. Up to 5 windward/leeward races are scheduled for Saturday and Sunday.

7 VENUE

The Chesapeake Bay, near Annapolis, Maryland.

8 COURSES

8.1 **The Distance Race Course** will be around government marks and described in the Sailing Instructions. The Course to be sailed will be posted and announced before the first warning signal. If conditions permit, there will be a scoring gate at one of the turning marks in the distance race.

8.2 **Windward / Leeward courses:** 4 legs will be sailed with marks to be left to port. The Race Committee may set a leeward gate or a windward offset mark.

9 PENALTY SYSTEM

Appendix V will be in place.

10 SCORING

10.1 The Low Point Scoring System, RRS Appendix A, will apply with the following changes: Boats failing to finish within the time limit will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired) and scored points equal to the number of finishers in that race plus two, but in no case will be scored more than the number of starters.

10.2 There will be no discard races in the series. This changes RRS Appendix A2.

10.3 One race shall be completed to constitute a series and championship.

10.4 The long portion of the Distance race score will be weighted as 1.5 times the scores for the drop mark races, and the scores taken at the scoring gate will be weighted 1.0.

11 RISK STATEMENT

Rule 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to race or continue to race is hers alone." By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

12 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured by a valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$500,000 per incident or the equivalent.

13 PRIZES

Trophies will be awarded to the top three finishers in each class.

An ORC Mid-Atlantic Championship trophy will be awarded to the best performing ORC boat competing in this event.

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