



2016 Annapolis Labor Day Regatta 3-4 September 2016

Organizing Authority: Annapolis Yacht Club
Annapolis, Maryland, USA

Hosted by: Annapolis Yacht Club and Eastport Yacht Club
Event Website: www.annapolisyc.com/racing

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2 Boats may not protest other boats for breaking sailing instructions (SI) marked [NP] (no protest). This changes RRS 60.1(a). Penalties for breaking SI marked [DP] (discretionary penalty) or for breaking RRS 55 may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board on the event website.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the SI 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.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

No signals will be flown ashore. Notices will be posted on the event website.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

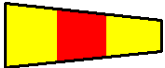





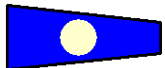








- 5.1 The racing schedule is as follows:

Date	Time	
Saturday, 3 September 2016	1000	Rendezvous for all Divisions
	1100	First warning signal of the day
	1700 - 2030	All-Racers Party at Annapolis Yacht Club for families and friends
Sunday, 4 September 2016	0930	Rendezvous for Divisions 2, 3, and 4
	1030	First warning signal of the day
	1430	No warning signal will be made after this time
	1700-2030	Awards Party at Eastport Yacht Club

- 5.2 Excluding the Pursuit Race, 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.
- 5.3 One race is scheduled for the ALDR Cruising and CHESS classes (Saturday only).
- 5.4 Four races are scheduled for the PHRF A0, PHRF A1, PHRF A2, PHRF B, PHRF C, and PHRF N classes, including the Pursuit Race.
- 5.5 Six races are scheduled for the J/70, J/80, J/30, J/35, J/105 and Cal 25 classes.
- 5.6 The assignment of boats to divisions is shown in SI Addendum A.

6 CLASS FLAG

The class flags are:

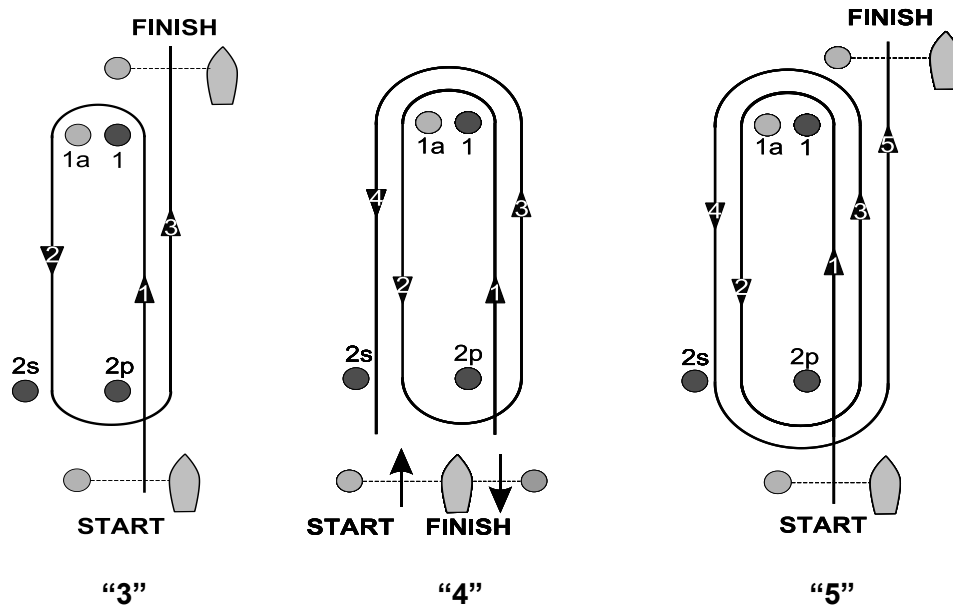
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PHRF A1	9		Sport Boats	1		J/35	K	
PHRF A2	2		Cal 25	T		J/70		
PHRF B	6		CHESS	4		J/ 80	J	
PHRF C	7		ALDR Cruising			J/105	V	

7 RACING AREA

- 7.1 The racing area will be on the Chesapeake Bay off the mouth of the Severn River.
- 7.2 At the division rendezvous shown in SI Addendum A, the race committee will display flag "L" and proceed to the starting area.

8 THE COURSES

- 8.1 For Division 1, the course will use CBYRA Region 3 Racing Marks as specified in SI Addendum B.
- 8.2 For Divisions 2, 3, and 4:
- (a) The course will be as shown in the diagrams below (not to scale), including the marks and the order in which they are to be passed:



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

(b) 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 compass bearing of the first leg of the course.

(c) If "NO GATE" is displayed with the course number, the gate marks will be replaced with a single mark to be left to port.

(d) 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.

9 MARKS

9.1 Mark descriptions for each division are in SI Addendum A.

9.2 A race committee starting or finishing boat may set a stand-off buoy. When present, this stand-off buoy, the line attaching it to the race committee boat, and the race committee boat are all part of the starting or finishing mark.

10 THE START

10.1 For Division 1, the race will be a PHRF pursuit race. The starting procedure is specified in SI Addendum B.

10.2 For Divisions 2, 3, and 4;

(a) Races will start according to RRS 26.

(b) The starting order for the first race of each day is in SI Addendum A.

(c) The starting line will be between the staff or halyard with an orange flag displayed on the race committee signal boat on the starboard end and either the course side of the starting mark or the staff or halyard displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat on the port end.

(d) [DP] Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.

(e) A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4.

(f) If flag U has been displayed as the preparatory signal, no part of a boat's hull, crew, or equipment shall be in the triangle formed by the ends of the starting line and the first mark during the last minute before her starting signal. If a boat breaks this rule and is identified, she shall be disqualified without a hearing but not if the race is restarted or resailed or postponed or abandoned before the starting signal. This changes RRS A5. When flag U is used as the preparatory signal, RRS 29.1 does not apply.

11 RECALLS

11.1 For Division 1, special individual recall procedures are specified in SI Addendum B 1.8 and 1.9.

11.2 For Divisions 2, 3, and 4, 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 SI Addendum A. 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).

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

12.1 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.

12.2 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 (Changing the Position of the Next Mark) and RRS Race Signals.

13 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.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 14.1 Penalties while racing: RRS 44.1, One-Turn and Two-Turns Penalties will apply.
- 14.2 Penalties after racing: RRS/US Appendix T, Section B (Post-Race Penalties) will apply.

15 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 15.1 For Division 1, the time limit is 4 1/2 hours for each class.
- 15.2 For Divisions 2, 3, and 4:
 - (a) The time limit is 90 minutes for each class.
 - (b) Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat in her class 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.

16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 16.1 Protest forms are available at annapolisyc.org/racing/protest and at the protest desk. The protest desk will be located in the AYC Junior Sailing Center on Saturday and on the ground floor main hallway of the EYC Clubhouse on Sunday. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit. Protests may also be delivered via email to protestcommittee@annapolisyc.org
- 16.2 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the race committee signal boat for each division docks. The race committee will post the protest time limit.
- 16.3 The race committee will post a list of race committee scoring actions no later than the protest time limit.
- 16.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 16.5 RRS/US Appendix T, Section D (Arbitration), will apply.
- 16.6 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 on Saturday will be held at the AYC Junior Sailing Center. Hearings on Sunday will be held at the EYC Clubhouse.

17 SCORING

- 17.1 RRS Appendix A4, Low Point System, will apply.
- 17.2 One completed race is required to constitute a series.
- 17.3 A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 17.4 Boats to be scored TLE will be scored points equal to the number of boats finishing within the finishing window plus 2 points by the race committee without a hearing. This changes RRS A4.2 and A5.

18 [DP] SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 18.1 A boat that retires from a race, or leaves the racing area between races, shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 18.2 [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.
- 18.3 The race committee or protest committee may protest a boat for SI 18 based on information received from any source. The protest time limit does not apply. This changes RRS 60.2, 60.3, and 61.3.

19 PRIZES

- 19.1 1st, 2nd and 3rd place trophies will be awarded in the ALDR Cruising and CHESS classes on Saturday. 1st, 2nd and 3rd place trophies will be awarded to all other classes on Sunday.

19.2 Perpetual trophies, including the City of Annapolis Trophy, the SpinSheet Junior Sailing Trophies and the Eleanor Ruth Wilcox Trophy will be awarded.

19.3 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

20 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.

21 INSURANCE

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

