



Fall Race to Solomons Saturday September 22, 2018

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

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS with Amendment 1 and 2

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the sailing instructions (SIs) or notice of race (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 a rule of the SIs or NoR 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 (RRS).

2 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board which is electronic and located at:

<https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?elD=4679>.

2.2 On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors via VHF radio on channel 72.

2.3 The race office at the finish will be located at the Holiday Inn Solomons-Conference Center & Marina. The race office can also be reached by telephone at 410.858.4964 and by email at raceoffice@annapolisyc.org.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Any change to the SIs will be posted no later than 0800 on Saturday, September 22, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on Friday, September 21.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from a pole on the hoist at the AYC Sailing Center nearest to the bridge.

4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 90 minutes' in the race signal AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 The schedule will be:

Time	Scheduled <u>warning</u> signal for:
0930	PHRF Non Spinnaker
0935	CRCA Cruiser and Non Spinnaker
0940	PHRF B and PHRF C

0950	CRCA Racer Cruiser and Pocket Cruiser
0955	J/105
1000	Multihull
1005	J/35
1010	PHRF A2

1020	PHRF A1
1025	PHRF A0

5.2 Boats getting dual-scored in PHRF and ORC or racing in ORC alone shall start with their PHRF class (as shown in the scratch sheet on the notice board).

6 CLASS FLAGS

6.1 The class flags are:

Class	Class flag
CRCA Cruiser	White flag
CRCA Non Spin	White flag
CRCA Racer Cruiser	Green flag
CRCA Pocket Cruiser	Green flag
Multihull	Flag W (boats may fly either flag W or F)
PHRF Non Spinnaker	Pennant 5
PHRF B	Pennant 6
PHRF C	Pennant 7
PHRF A2	Pennant 2
J/35	Flag K
J/105	Flag V
PHRF A0	Pennant 0
PHRF A1	Pennant 9

6.2 [DP] All boats shall clearly display a class flag at the stern (approximately 5 feet up on the backstay if the boat has a backstay).

7 THE COURSES

7.1 The start will be near G/R can "SR" (CBYRA Mark H)

- 7.2 After starting, the following marks shall be rounded or passed in the following order:
- (a) Bloody Pt. Warning Light (LLNR 7751), passed to port,
 - (b) R"84" (CByRA Mark R), passed to port,
 - (c) Sharps Island Light, passed to port,
 - (d) G"77" (Solomons Area Mark G), rounded to starboard.
- 7.3 The finish will be at Patuxent River entrance mark "3" (Solomon's Island Mark B).
- 7.4 The race committee will not shorten the course. This changes RRS 32.1.
- 7.5 There is no time limit for finishing. While most boats will finish in daylight, boats should be prepared for the possibility of finishing after sunset.

8 MARKS

- 8.1 The starting marks will be a green cylinder and the race committee starting vessel.
- 8.2 The finishing marks will be Patuxent River entrance mark "3" (Solomon's Island Mark B) and the race committee finishing vessel.
- 8.3 A race committee starting or finishing vessel may set a stand-off buoy. When present, this stand-off buoy, the line attaching it to the race committee vessel, and the race committee vessel are all part of the starting or finishing mark.

9 CHECK-IN

- 9.1 *[NP]* A race committee check-in boat flying flag L will be anchored approximately 100 yards north of the starting line. Prior to starting, each boat shall pass a stern of the check-in boat, hail her sail number, and receive a verbal response by the race committee. A boat that starts without checking in will receive a 20% scoring penalty (see RRS 44.3(c)) without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.

10 THE START

- 10.1 The starting line will be between the staff or halyard with an orange flag displayed on the race committee signal vessel and the course side of the starting mark.
- 10.2 *[DP]* Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.

11 RECALLS

- 11.1 The race committee will announce on VHF radio boats identified as OCS, UFD, or BFD. A boat may not base a request for redress on the failure to hear or receive the announcements, the timeliness of announcement or the order in which boats are announced. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

12 THE FINISH

- 12.1 The finish will be staff between the staff or halyard with an orange flag displayed on the race committee signal vessel and Patuxent River entrance mark "3" (Solomon's Island Mark B).
- 12.2 The race committee intends to be on station recording finishes until approximately 2000 hours or until all boats have finished (whichever is earlier).
- 12.3 If the race committee is not on station:
- (a) The finishing line will be a line extending on a bearing of 140 (or 320) degrees magnetic through Patuxent River entrance mark "3". Boats may pass on either side of the finish mark.
 - (b) A boat shall record her finish time and report it to the race office (see SI 2.3) as soon as practical after finishing.

PENALTY SYSTEM

- 12.4 Penalties while racing: RRS 44.1, One-Turn and Two-Turns Penalties will apply.
- 12.5 Penalties after racing: RRS/US Appendix V2, Penalty Taken After the Race, will apply.

13 PROTESTS, REQUESTS FOR REDRESS, SCORING INQUIRIES

- 13.1 Protest forms are available at annapolisyc.org/racing/protest and at the race office. Protests, requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the race office (see SI 2.3) within the protest time limit. These may alternatively be delivered by email to raceoffice@annapolisyc.org.
- 13.2 Scoring inquiry forms are available at annapolisyc.org/racing/protest and at the race office. They can be delivered to the race office (see SI 2.3) or by email to raceoffice@annapolisyc.org. When the race committee receives a scoring inquiry form, it will review its records and respond as soon as practicable.
- 13.3 The protest time limit is 1900 on Saturday, September 22, or 120 minutes after a boat finishes or withdraws whichever is later.
- 13.4 The race committee will post a list of race committee scoring actions no later than the protest time limit.
- 13.5 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 13.6 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.

14 SCORING

- 14.1 RRS Appendix A4, Low Point System, will apply.
- 14.2 Corrected times for PHRF will be calculated using PHRF Time-on-Time scoring. The race committee will announce the course type rating ("Handicap (Spinnaker)" or "Random Course Handicap (Spinnaker)") on VHF radio prior to the warning signal for a race. A boat's corrected time will be her elapsed time multiplied by:
(650 / (550 + PHRF Rating)).
- 14.3 Corrected times for the ORC class will be calculated using ORC Time-on-Time Triple Number ratings. The race committee will announce the course type ("Inshore/Windward Leeward" or "Coastal/Long Distance") and the wind speed rating (Low, Medium, or High) on VHF radio prior to the warning signal.
- 14.4 Corrected times for CRCA classes will be calculated using handicaps supplied by the CRCA class administration based upon course type and predicted wind strength. These handicaps will be determined solely by the CRCA class and will be posted by 0930 on Saturday, September 22.

15 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 15.1 [DP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify to race office (see SI 2.3) at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 15.2 [NP] [DP] A boat shall 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.

- 15.3 A boat without way may use any means of propulsion to avoid commercial traffic that is under way provided: (a) the boat does not gain an advantage; (b) use of the propulsion is the boat's only means of avoiding the commercial traffic; and (c) the boat submits a report to the race office (in writing or by e-mail to raceoffice@annapolisyc.org) by the protest filing deadline describing the incident and the boat's actions.
- 15.4 The race committee or protest committee may protest a boat for SI 15.2 based on information received from any source. The protest time limit does not apply. A written statement from the US Coast Guard, a ship captain, or a bay pilot will be accepted as evidence without the author present. This changes RRS 60.2, 60.3, 61.3, and 63.6.

16 PRIZES

- 16.1 Prizes will be given to the top 3 boats in each class.
- 16.2 Awards will be presented during the post-race regatta party in the courtyard at the Holiday Inn Solomons-Conference Center & Marina in Solomon's Island.

17 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 17.1 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.