



# Hospice Cup XXXVII

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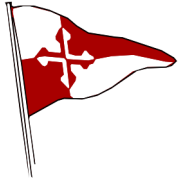
## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

There are 3 separate racing areas (1, 2, & 3) with specific Sailing Instructions for each area. The instructions for each area can be found in this document as follows:

**Area 1** (Harbor 20, et. al.)                      see pages: 2-4

**Area 2** (Hospice, PHRF, & CRCA) see pages: 5-9

**Area 3** (J/105, J/80, Alerion 28)              see pages: 10-14



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## **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AREA 1**

### **HARBOR 20 CLASS & OTHER SMALL ONE DESIGN CLASSES**

#### **1 RULES**

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

#### **2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located on the Regatta Website.

#### **3 CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

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#### **4 POSTPONEMENT ASHORE**

4.1 A Postponement ashore, along with a new intended start time, may be announced on the competitors' VHF channel 69 and posted on the Regatta Website.

4.2 A Postponement ashore will end not less than 60 minutes before the new intended start time. This changes RRS Race Signals.

#### **5 SCHEDULE OF RACES**

5.1 Three (3) races are scheduled. However, fewer races may be sailed depending on conditions and one race will be sufficient to constitute a regatta.

5.2 Competitors' rendezvous will be at 1100 hours in the Severn River, 100 yards southeast of the Horn Point Shoal Mark ("HP," FI W 6.0s)

5.3 The Warning Signal for the first race is intended to be made at 1200 hours.

5.4 No Warning Signal shall be made after 1430 hours.

**6 RACING AREA** -The racing area will be in the Severn River south of the main channel, between the entrance channel to Annapolis Landing and the entrance channel to Lake Ogleton.

#### **7 THE COURSE**

7.1 The course shall be a windward-leeward course with four legs.

7.2 All rounding marks shall be kept to PORT.

#### **8 MARKS**

The start/finish, windward and leeward marks will be red "hippetty-hop" balls approximately 24 inches in diameter.

#### **9 THE START**

9.1 The Warning and Start for the Harbor 20 class may be signaled with the Harbor 20 class flag or with code flag "H". Other classes will be signaled with their CBYRA class flags.

- 9.2 The starting line shall be between the staff or halyard on the RC Signal Boat displaying an orange flag and the course side of the start/finish mark, on the port end of the starting line.

## **10 RECALLS**

- 10.1 Recalls shall be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.  
10.2 The RC may attempt to notify boats identified as on the course side by announcing their sail numbers on VHF channel 69. Failure to transmit or receive such notification will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.

## **11 THE FINISH**

- 11.1 The finish line shall be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC Signal Boat and the start/finish mark.

## **12 TIME LIMIT**

- 12.1 If no boat in a class finishes within 2 hours of the class start, the race shall be abandoned.  
12.2 Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat that sails the course and finishes shall be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE). This changes RRS 35 and A4. Boats leaving the course without finishing shall promptly notify the Race Committee on VHF channel 69.

## **13 PENALTY SYSTEM**

RRS 44.1 is changed so that when a rule of Part 2 is broken outside the Zone at a mark, and there is no injury or damage, and no significant advantage is gained, the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty. This changes RRS 44.1.

## **14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 14.1 Competitors intending to file a written protest or request for redress that is based on an incident in the racing area shall inform the Race Committee of their intent upon finishing, or at the first reasonable opportunity after finishing.  
14.2 The protest time limit for the Area 1 classes is two hours after the Race Committee signal boat docks. This changes RRS 62.2.  
14.3 The time limit for requests for redress for the Area 1 classes based on an incident in the racing area shall be the protest time limit as stated in 14.2. This changes RRS 62.2.  
14.4 Protests shall be filed at the RC Desk, Annapolis Yacht Sales (AYS waterside office) Jabin Yacht Yard. before the protest time limit for Area 1. Notices of protests by the RC or PC will be posted on the Official Notice Board and emailed to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).  
14.5 Notice(s) will be posted soon after receipt to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held at AYS waterside office no sooner than the Protest Time Limit.

## **15 SCORING**

- 15.1 RRS Appendix A4, Low Point System, will apply.  
15.2 Boats to be scored TLE and not being penalized or given redress will be scored points equal to the number of boats finishing within the time limit, plus two points, by the Race Committee, without a hearing. This changes RRS A4.2 and A5.  
15.3 Scoring inquiries may be made at the protest desk.

## **16 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 16.1 Boats shall check in with the Race Committee Signal Boat prior to their first start of the day by hail of their sail number and an acknowledgement from the RC.  
16.2 All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on VHF channels 9, 13, 16 and 69, the Area 1 RC channel.  
16.3 A boat that retires from a race, or leaves the racing area before the end of racing, shall notify the RC at the first reasonable opportunity.  
16.4 Penalties for breaking SIs 16.1, 16.2, 16.3, or RRS 55 may be less than disqualification if the

protest committee so decides.

## **17 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS**

- 17.1 The RC will communicate with competitors in Area 1 on VHF channel 69.
- 17.2 Boats are encouraged to make contact with commercial traffic on VHF channel 13, as required for safety.
- 17.3 Failure to hear a broadcast, the RC's failure to broadcast, or the content of any broadcast shall not be grounds for redress.

## **18 COMMERCIAL TRAFFIC**

- 18.1 A boat may not exercise right of way, cross in proximity to, or interfere with reasonable transit of the race area by commercial traffic. A boat protested under this rule has the burden of proof that she complied with this rule. Boats shall take evasive action well in advance of any potential situations. The U.S. Coast Guard, ship captains, and bay pilots have been encouraged to report any incident they observe.
- 18.2 Boats may not protest other boats for breaking SI 18.1. This changes RRS 60.1.
- 18.3 The RC or PC may protest under SI 18.1, based on information received from any source. There is no time limit for protests filed under SI 18.1. This changes RRS 60.2, RRS 60.3, and RRS 61.3.
- 18.4 RRS 42.3 (Propulsion - Exceptions) is changed by adding: "(j) A boat that is without way in a ship channel may use any means of propulsion to clear the channel at the approach of commercial traffic provided that, when becoming clear of the commercial traffic, the boat has not improved their position as a result of this action. A boat claiming this exception shall report the incident in writing to the protest committee within the protest time limit, with all the facts necessary to substantiate the boat's speed and change of position during the incident."
- 18.5 RRS 62.1 (Redress) is changed by adding: "(e) clearing a ship channel in compliance with SI 18.4."

## **19 PRIZES**

- 19.1 A party at the Bert Jabin Yacht Yard, will be held on Saturday, 15 September 2017, 1700-2100. The party offers live music with The Shatners, silent and live auctions, and catering from Paul's Homewood Cafe. Come join the fun and help Hospice Cup raise funds for hospice programs. Details can be found at [www.hospicecup.org](http://www.hospicecup.org).
- 19.2 Prizes in each class will be given as follows:  
1<sup>st</sup> place for 3 entries, 2<sup>nd</sup>/6, 3<sup>rd</sup>/9, etc. and one for every 3<sup>rd</sup> additional entry.
- 19.3 Additional Sponsored Trophies will be awarded (see [www.hospicecup.org](http://www.hospicecup.org))
- 19.4 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

## **20 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

This is a Clean Regatta. All competitors are strongly encouraged to use multi-use water bottles instead of disposable water bottles, and to recycle whenever possible. RRS 55 prohibits placing trash in the water.

## **21 CHARITY**

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## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS **RACE AREA 2**

(Hospice, PHRF, and CRCA classes)

### 1 RULES

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

### 2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located on the Regatta Website

### 3 CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be posted before 0900 hours on the day of the race, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 hours the day before it will take effect.

### 4 POSTPONEMENT ASHORE

- 4.1 A Postponement ashore, along with a new intended start time, may be announced on the competitor's VHF channel and posted on the Regatta Website.
- 4.2 A Postponement ashore will end not less than 60 minutes before the new intended start time. This changes RRS Race Signals.

### 5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 A competitors meeting for all **HOSPICE** and **CRCA** classes will be held on Friday, 14 September 2018, at the Hospice tent, Bert Jabin Yacht Yard, 7310 Edgewood Rd., Annapolis, MD; the meeting will begin at 1730 hours. It is recommended that the skipper or a designated representative of each boat attend this meeting where the sailing instructions will be discussed and, for **Hospice** classes each boat's starting time will be available for their pursuit start plus a **orange** backstay streamer for **Hospice Heavy**, a **pink(ish)** backstay streamer for **Hospice Novice**, and a **yellow** streamer for **Hospice Light** will be handed out. Starting times will also be posted on the YachtScoring regatta website and streamers will continue to be available from the race committee during the fleet blessing party at Annapolis Yacht Sales and/or a supply will be left in the Hospice tent for the next morning.
- 5.2 The **HOSPICE**, **PHRF**, and **CRCA** classes shall compete in one (1) race.
- 5.3 Competitors shall rendezvous at 1100 hours in the vicinity of **R2, FI 2.5s (CBYRA "X")**.
- 5.4 The Warning Signal for the first **PHRF/CRCA** class race is intended to be made at 1125 hours.
- 5.5 The Warning Signal for the first **Hospice** class race is intended to be made at 1155 hours.
- 5.6 No Warning Signal shall be made after 1330 hours.
- 5.7 All **HOSPICE** class competitors shall display from the backstay an orange, pink(ish), or yellow streamer. The streamer will be handed out at the competitors meeting.
- 5.8 All **CRCA** classes competitors shall display from the backstay a white flag.
- 5.9 All **PHRF** (A,B,C,N) classes shall display from their backstay their class flag as specified in the CBYRA General SI 4.

### 6 RACING AREA 2 - Chesapeake Bay, off Annapolis, North and East of R2 (CBYRA mark "X")

7 THE COURSES

7.1 RC shall designate one (1) of two (2) possible courses to be sailed for the CRCA/PHRF classes and then also a shorter course for the Hospice Classes (refer to FIGURE B-1). The board designating the course to be sailed shall be displayed on the non-start side of the Signal Boat.

7.2 The two (2) possible courses for the CRCA/PHRF classes are:

**RED "P" COURSE**  
**START – WR87 – G91 – DM – FINISH**  
 All rounding marks shall be kept to port.  
 The CRCA course is approximately 8.1 nm.

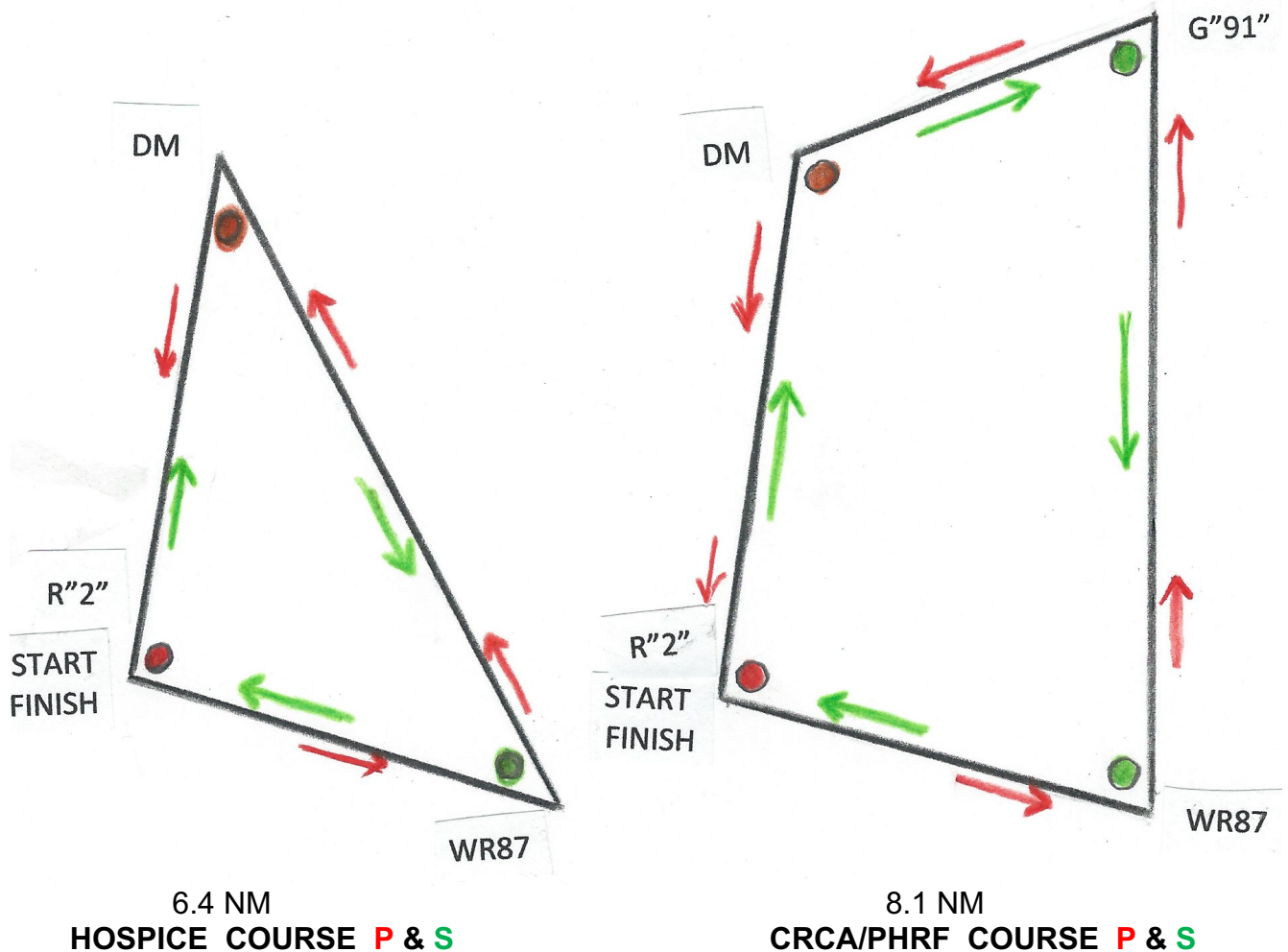
**GREEN "S" COURSE**  
**START – DM – G91 – WR87 – FINISH**  
 All rounding marks shall be kept to starboard.

7.3 The two (2) possible courses for the Hospice classes are:

**RED "P" COURSE**  
**START – WR87 – DM – FINISH**  
 All rounding marks shall be kept to port.  
 The Hospice course is approximately 6.4 nm.

**GREEN "S" COURSE**  
**START – DM – WR87 – FINISH**  
 All rounding marks shall be kept to starboard.

FIGURE B-1



## 8 MARKS

The marks have the following approximate Lat/Long coordinates.

| <b>R2, FI R 2.5s</b> | <b>DM (orange inflatable)</b> | <b>WR87, Q G</b> | <b>G91, FI G 4.0s</b> |
|----------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| N 38° 56.48'         | N38 58.50                     | N 38° 55.98'     | N 38° 59.01'          |
| W 076° 25.46'        | W76 25.00                     | W 076° 23.56'    | W 076° 23.27'         |

- 8.1 The drop mark DM (orange inflatable) will be positioned about 0.3 nm northwest of can "1" near Hackett's Point.

## 9 The Start

- 9.1 The start line shall be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC boat and **R2, FI 2.5s (CBYRA "X")**.

### 9.2 **CRCA/PHRF classes will start according to RRS 26 (normal 5 minute sequence & signals)**

- 9.3 The first warning signal for CRCA/PHRF is scheduled for 1125 hours. More details to be posted after registration is complete.
- 9.4 Recalls shall be signaled in accordance with RRS 29. The RC may attempt to notify boats identified as on the course side by announcing their sail numbers on VHF channel 71. Failure to transmit or receive such notification will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.

## 10 THE PURSUIT START- 10.1 thru 10.10 apply to Hospice classes only.

- 10.1 This shall be a pursuit race with a reverse Assigned Rating Time over Distance (ToD) starting order. The boat with the slowest (largest) rating will start first and the fastest (smallest) shall start last.

- 10.2 The RC intends to signal the starting sequence as follows (this changes RRS 26):

| Time                       | Signal   | Flag/Sound  |
|----------------------------|--|---|
| 1155                       | Warning signal for all boats                   | Raise large SCC burgee with 1 sound.                                      |
| 1156                       | Preparatory signal for the first boat to start | Raise code flag "P" with 1 sound.   |
| 1159                       |  | Lower code flag "P" with a long sound.                                    |
| 1200                       | Starting signal for the first boat to start    | Lower large SCC burgee and briefly raise number pennant "0" with 1 sound. |
| Each subsequent start time | Starting signal for remaining boats            | Briefly raise and lower number pennant "0" with 1 sound.                  |

- 10.3 For the purposes of definition of "racing," each boat's preparatory signal is four (4) minutes prior to her scheduled start.
- 10.4 The start times for all boats will be based on their Assigned ToD handicap. The RC shall use GPS time synchronization.
- 10.5 The start time for each boat, including its time interval from the first start, shall be available at the Hospice tent no later than 1700 hours on Friday, 15 September 2017, and will be posted on the regatta website.
- 10.6 The start line shall be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC boat and **R2, FI 2.5s (CBYRA "X")**.
- 10.7 **After the warning signal for the first start, boats shall stay clear of the starting area until 4 minutes before their scheduled starting time.**
- 10.8 RRS 29.1 is replaced with: "When at a boat's starting signal any part of her hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line, the RC shall make note of OCS and record the actual starting time. OCS boats should not attempt to restart. **Individual Recall, code flag "X," will not be used.**" This changes RRS 29.1.
- 10.9 Boats that are On Course Side will receive a scoring penalty of ten (10) minutes plus the amount of time early. This changes RRS 44.3©.
- 10.10 In the event a postponement is signaled on the water, the RC shall announce the revised start times on VHF channel 71 before lowering the postponement flag.

## **11 THE FINISH**

- 11.1 The finish line for CRCA, PHRF, and Hospice classes shall be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC boat and **R2, FI 2.5s (CBYRA "X")**.
- 11.2 The RC may shorten the course at any rounding mark in accordance with RRS 32.

## **12 TIME LIMIT**

The race may be shortened or abandoned in accordance with RRS 32. If at least one boat has finished the RC will report this on VHF and there will be no time limit for the remaining boats in that class if they wish to finish. However, the RC signal boat may not remain on station past 1600 hours. If there is no RC boat at the finish record your own GPS time and note any competitors ahead or behind you. Report your finish time, DNF, or WD to the RC as soon as possible.

## **13 PENALTY SYSTEM**

For Hospice classes & CRCA classes, RRS 44.3 is to be used. This 20% scoring penalty requires that a yellow flag be flown and the Race Committee be notified. No turns are required.

## **14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

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- 14.2 The protest time limit for all Area 2 classes is sixty (60) minutes after their RC Signal Boat docks. This changes RRS 62.2.
- 14.3 The time limit for requests for redress based on an incident in the racing area shall be the protest time limit as stated in 13.2 and 13.3. This changes RRS 62.2.
- 14.4 Protests shall be filed at the RC Desk, Annapolis Yacht Sales (AYS waterside office) Jabin Yacht Yard. before the protest time limit for that class. Notices of protests by the RC or PC will be posted on the Official Notice Board and emailed to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
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## **15 SCORING**

- 15.1 Boats will be scored in the order of finish (pursuit race) or by TOT corrected elapsed times for PHRF and CRCA classes. PHRF TOT A&B factors will be posted before 1700 Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>.
- 15.2 Scoring inquiries may be made at the protest desk.

## **16 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 16.1 Except for the **HOSPICE** classes, boats shall check in with the RC Signal Boat prior to their first start of the day by hail of their sail number (or name if no sail number) and an acknowledgement from the RC.
- 16.2 All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on VHF channels 9, 13, 16 and 71 the RC channel for Area 2
- 16.3 A boat that retires from a race, or leaves the racing area between races, shall notify the RC at the first reasonable opportunity.
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## **17 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS**

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## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS **AREA 3**

(J-105, J-80, Alerion 28)

### 1 RULES

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### 2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

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4.2 A Postponement ashore will end not less than 60 minutes before the new intended start time. This changes RRS Race Signals.

### 5 SCHEDULE OF RACES: ONE-DESIGNS (J105, J80, A28)

1.1 Three (3) races are scheduled for the **ONE-DESIGN** classes.

1.2 Competitors shall rendezvous at 1000 hours in the vicinity of **CBYRA "X"** (R2, FI 2.5s). The racing area is shown in Figure A-1.

1.3 The Warning Signal for the first race is intended to be made at 1100 hours.

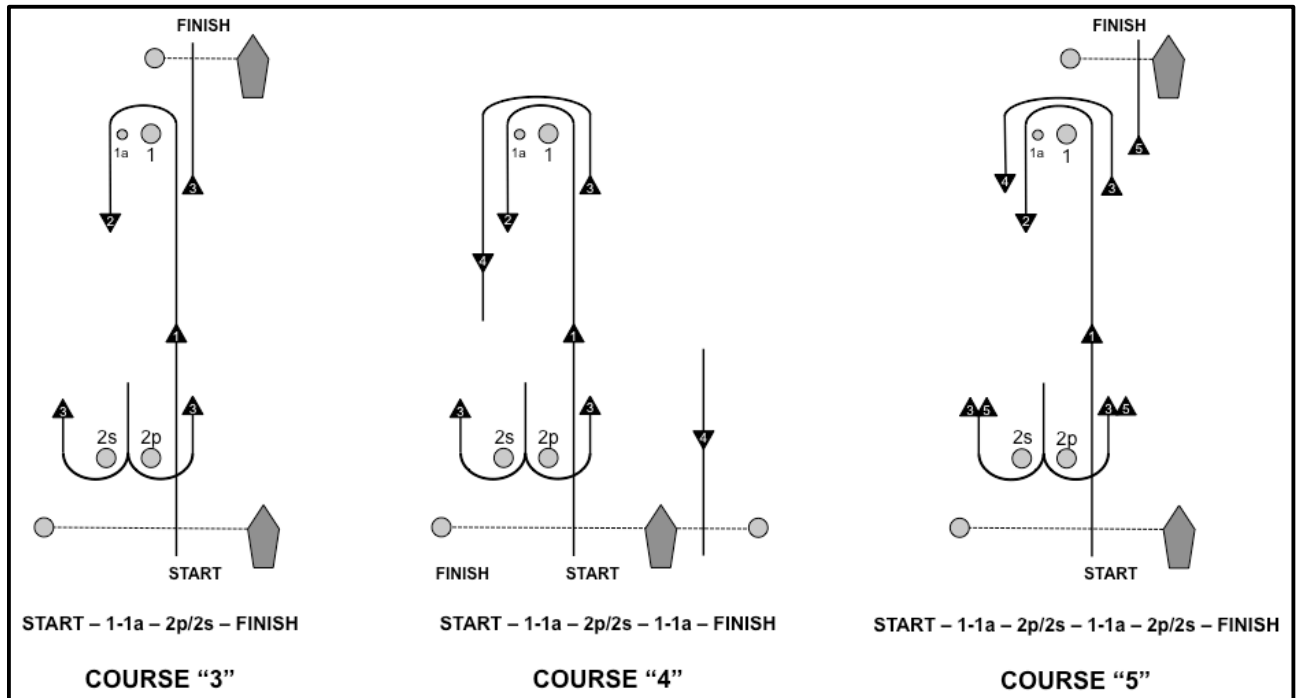
1.4 No Warning Signal shall be made after 1500 hours.

1.5 **ONE-DESIGN** racers are encouraged to display from the backstay their class flag as specified in the CBYRA General SI 4. Competitors in the Alerion Express 28 class shall display the Alerion class flag from the backstay.

### 6 RACING AREA: Chesapeake Bay, off Annapolis. See Figure A-1

### 7 THE COURSES

7.1 The courses will be windward-leeward, as shown in the diagram below (not to scale). Marks shall be rounded and the finish line crossed in the order presented in the description below each course diagram.



- 7.2 No later than the Warning Signal, the course to be sailed, the approximate heading, and the distance to the first mark will be designated by placards displayed on the stern or side of the Signal Boat that is opposite the start line.
- 7.3 Rounding marks shall be passed to port.
- 7.4 RC may set a leeward gate. If a leeward gate is placed, boats shall pass between the two marks.
- 7.5 RC may set a weather offset mark. If used, the weather offset mark shall be passed to port.
- 7.6 For all courses, the leeward mark/gate is not a mark of the course during the first leg of the course. For COURSES "3" and "5," the weather mark and offset mark are not marks of the course on the last leg of the course. For COURSE "4" the leeward mark or gate is not a mark of the course on the last leg of the course.
- 7.7 When the first mark of the course is to be a change mark, code flag "C" will be displayed by the starting line signal boat before the warning signal, accompanied by a series of repetitive sound signals.

## 8 MARKS

- 8.1 Start/Finish marks will be yellow tetrahedrons. All other marks will be orange tomatoes.
- 8.2 The first change mark shall be a yellow tomato. Subsequent change mark will revert to the previous type of mark.

## 9 THE START

- 9.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starboard end RC Signal Boat, and the course side of the port end starting mark.
- 9.2 The Starting Area is defined as extending 100 yards beyond each end of the starting line and 100 yards behind the starting line and its extensions. Boats shall keep clear of the Starting Area and the first leg of the course until the Signal Boat has hoisted its Class Flag.
- 9.3 The intended starting order will be posted on the YachtScoring event website on or before Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>. Subsequent starts may be in a different order so as to maximize racing for all classes.
- 9.4 Recalls shall be signaled in accordance with RRS 29. The RC may attempt to notify boats identified as on the course side by announcing their sail numbers on VHF channel 72. Failure to transmit or receive such notification will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.

## **10 CHANGE OF COURSE**

To change the next leg of the course, the RC 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.

## **11 THE FINISH**

The finish line shall be between the staff or halyard on the RC Signal Boat displaying a blue flag and the course side of the finishing mark.

## **12 TIME LIMIT**

RRS 35 (Time Limit) is replaced by: "If the first boat in her class does not finish within two (2) hours, the race shall be abandoned. Boats still racing twenty (20) minutes after the first boat in her class finishes, and not subsequently retiring, being penalized or given redress, will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired, see Scoring) and should proceed to the starting area if another race is scheduled.

## **13 PENALTY SYSTEM**

RRS 44.1 is changed so that when a rule of Part 2 is broken outside the zone at a mark, and there is no injury or damage, and no significant advantage is gained, the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

## **14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

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- 14.2 The protest time limit for **ONE-DESIGN CLASSES** is sixty (60) minutes after their RC Signal Boat docks. This changes RRS 62.2.
- 14.3 The time limit for requests for redress based on an incident in the racing area shall be the protest time limit as stated in 14.2. This changes RRS 62.2.
- 14.4 Protests shall be filed at the RC Desk, Annapolis Yacht Sales (AYS waterside office) Jabin Yacht Yard. before the protest time limit for that class. Notices of protests by the RC or PC will be posted on the Official Notice Board and emailed to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 14.5 Notice(s) will be posted soon after receipt to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held at AYS waterside office no sooner than the Protest Time Limit.

## **15 SCORING**

- 15.1 RRS Appendix A4, Low Point System, will apply.
- 15.2 One (1) scored race is required to constitute a series.
- 15.3 Scoring shall be in accordance with PHRF Time over Distance handicaps.
- 15.4 A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. This changes RRS A2.
- 15.5 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 by the race committee without a hearing. This changes RRS A4.2 and A5.
- 15.6 Scoring inquiries may be made at the protest desk.
- 15.7 One-design scoring will be granted for any class with at least 3 entries.

## **16 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 16.1 Boats shall check in with the RC Signal Boat prior to their first start of the day by hail of their sail number (or name if no sail number) and an acknowledgement from the RC.
- 16.2 All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on VHF channels 9, 13, 16 and 72, the RC courtesy channel for Race Area 3.
- 16.3 A boat that retires from a race, or leaves the racing area between races, shall notify the RC at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 16.4 Penalties for breaking SIs 16.1, 16.2, 16.3, or RRS 55 may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.

## **17 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS**

- 17.1 RC will communicate with competitors on VHF channel 72.
- 17.2 Boats are encouraged to make contact with commercial traffic on VHF channel 13, as required for safety.
- 17.3 Failure to hear a broadcast, the RC's failure to broadcast, or the content of any broadcast shall not be grounds for redress.

## **18 COMMERCIAL TRAFFIC**

- 18.1 A boat may not exercise right of way, cross in proximity to, or interfere with reasonable transit of the race area by commercial traffic. A boat protested under this rule has the burden of proof that she complied with this rule. Boats shall take evasive action well in advance of any potential situations. The U.S. Coast Guard, ship captains, and bay pilots have been encouraged to report any incident they observe.
- 18.2 Boats may not protest other boats for breaking SI 18.1. This changes RRS 60.1.
- 18.3 The RC or PC may protest under SI 18.1, based on information received from any source. There is no time limit for protests filed under SI 18.1. This changes RRS 60.2, RRS 60.3, and RRS 61.3.
- 18.4 RRS 42.3 (Propulsion - Exceptions) is changed by adding: "(j) A boat that is without way in a ship channel may use any means of propulsion to clear the channel at the approach of commercial traffic provided that, when becoming clear of the commercial traffic, the boat has not improved their position as a result of this action. A boat claiming this exception shall report the incident in writing to the protest committee within the protest time limit, with all the facts necessary to substantiate the boat's speed and change of position during the incident."
- 18.5 RRS 62.1 (Redress) is changed by adding: "(e) clearing a ship channel in compliance with SI 18.4."

## **19 PRIZES**

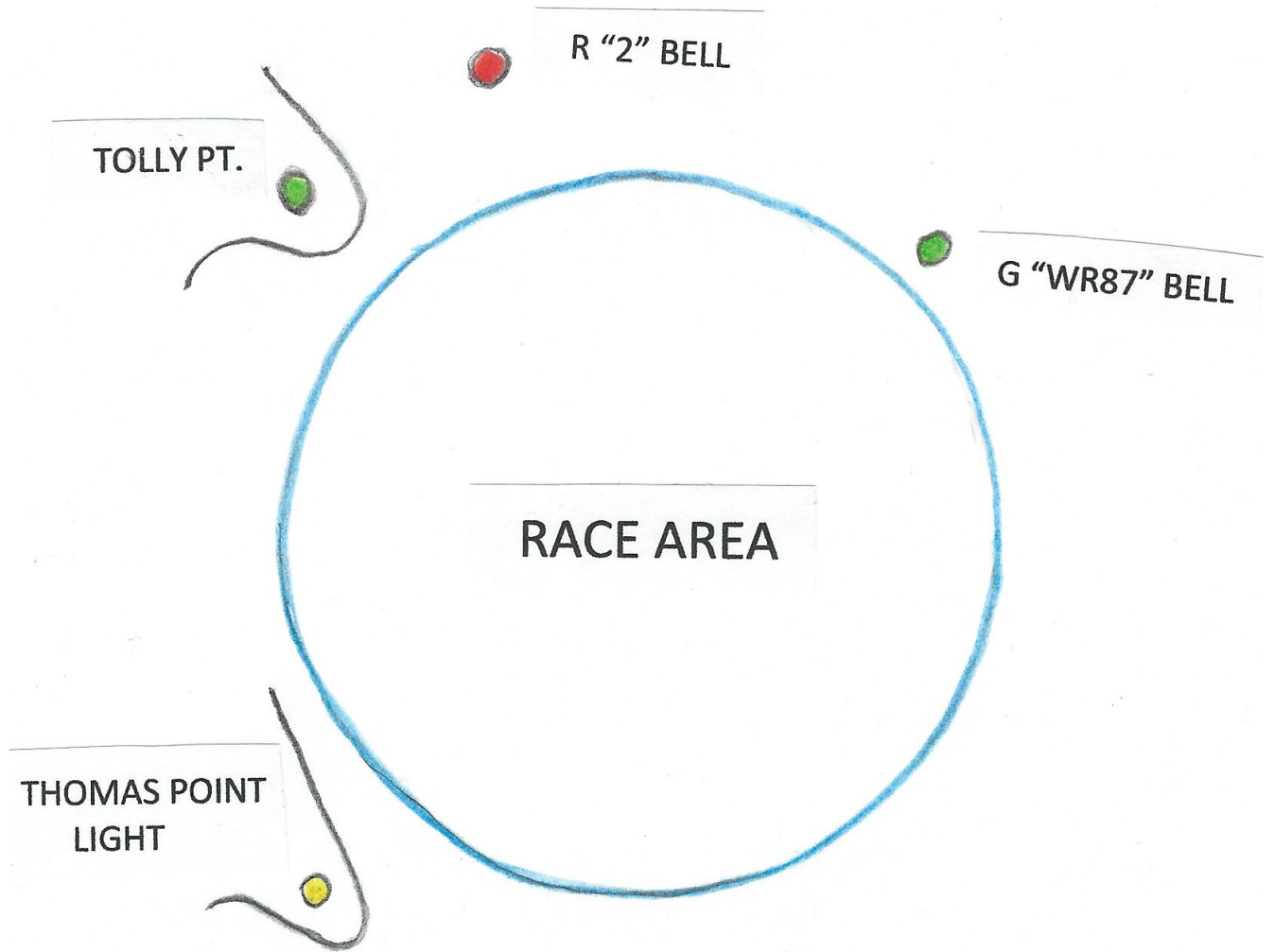
- 19.1 A party at the Bert Jabin Yacht Yard, will be held on Saturday, 16 September 2017, 1700-2100. The party offers live music with The Shatner's, silent and live auctions, and catering from Paul's Homewood Cafe. Come join the fun and help Hospice Cup raise funds for hospice programs. Details can be found at [www.hospicecup.org](http://www.hospicecup.org).
- 19.2 Prizes in each class will be given as follows:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> place for 3 entries, 2<sup>nd</sup>/6, 3<sup>rd</sup>/9, etc. and one for every 3<sup>rd</sup> additional entry.
- 19.3 Additional Sponsored Trophies will be awarded (see [www.hospicecup.org](http://www.hospicecup.org))
- 19.4 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

## **20 CHARITY**

Hospice Cup is a charity event. Proceeds are donated to Hospice Cup, Inc., to benefit hospices in Virginia and Maryland. For information about making a tax-deductible donation, with guest privileges, or to learn about Hospice Cup, Inc., see [www.hospicecup.org](http://www.hospicecup.org).

FIGURE A-1

RACE AREA 3



Race Area for J-105, J-80, Alerion 28,