



2020 Fall Race to Solomons Saturday September 26, 2020

Organizing Authority: Annapolis Yacht Club,
Annapolis, Maryland, USA

<http://www.annapolisyc.com/racing/regattas>

NOTICE OF RACE (with Amendment 1)

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in this 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).
- 1.1 [DP] The "Nearshore" category of the US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements (SER, available at <https://www.ussailing.org/competition/offshore/safety-information/ser-world-sailing-special-regulations>) will apply as modified below.
 - (a) In the event of a conflict between the SER and applicable class rules, the class rules shall govern.
 - (b) The following SER will also apply:
 - SER 2.4.1, Lifelines
 - SER 2.7.2, Mechanical Propulsion
 - SER 3.14, GPS Receiver
 - SER 3.22, Soft plugs for through hull fittings
 - SER 3.24.1, Lights
 - SER 3.26, Radar reflector
 - SER 3.35, Rigging: Halyards

2 COMMUNICATIONS

- 2.1 The official notice board is electronic and will be located at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=11747>.
- 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 [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channels 9, 13, 16, 68, 69, 70, 71, and 72.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 Boats in the CRCA, J/35, J/105, Multihull, ORC, PHRF, and PHRF Non-spin classes are invited to participate.
- 3.2 For a class to have a start, it must have a minimum of 3 paid entries by 1200 on Friday, September 25. Entry fees for boats in classes that fail to meet the minimum will be returned.
- 3.3 Boats wishing to enter shall register online at: <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=11747>.
- 3.4 To be considered an entry in the regatta, a boat shall complete all registration steps including the waiver (see NoR 3.11) and pay all fees.

- 3.5 Boats in the CRCA class shall be members of the Chesapeake Race Cruiser Association and have a valid CRCA rating.
- 3.6 Boats in the Multihull classes shall have a valid rating from the Chesapeake Multihull Association. For more information, visit <http://www.chesapeakemultihulls.org>.
- 3.7 Boats in an ORC class shall have a valid ORCi or ORC Club certificate. For more information, visit <http://www.orc.org>. ORC Club certificates may be obtained by applying online at <http://www.orc.org/clubapplication>.
- 3.8 Boats in a PHRF class shall have a valid PHRF of the Chesapeake rating. For more information, visit <http://www.phrfchesbay.org>.
- 3.9 Boats in the CHESSS class shall have a valid PHRF/Chesapeake rating, and will sail using PHRF handicaps. The CHESSS class rules (available at <https://www.chbayss.org>) will apply.
- 3.10 The OA will post assignments of boats in handicap fleets to starting classes no later than 1700 on Wednesday, September 23. The OA may change the assignment of a handicap boat's starting class until 1700 on Friday, September 25.
- 3.11 [NP] Every competitor (skippers and all crew) shall sign the online AYC Liability and Waiver Agreement before they participate in any race of the regatta. The document will be available to review on the notice board.

4 FEES

- 4.1 Early registration and entry fee of \$45 are due by 1700 on Monday, September 14. After that, registrations with an entry fee of \$70 will be accepted until 1200 on Friday, September 25. Entry fees are non-refundable.
- 4.2 The entry fee includes, at a minimum, racing and awards.

5 CLASS FLAGS

- 5.1 All boats shall clearly display a class flag at the stern. The class flags are as follows:

Class	Class flag
CHESSS	Pennant 3 rd Substitute
CRCA	White or Green flag
Multihull A	Flag W
Multihull B	Flag F
J/35	Flag K
J/105	Flag V
PHRF A0/A1	Pennant 9
PHRF A2	Pennant 2
PHRF B	Pennant 6
PHRF C/D	Pennant 7
PHRF Non-Spin	Pennant 5
ORC I	Pennant 1
ORC II	Flag A
ORC III	Pennant 3

6 SCHEDULE

- 6.1 The warning signal for the race is scheduled for 0930. Classes will be started in approximate "reverse order" with slower classes starting first.
- 6.2 Due to COVID-19 precautions, there will be no post-race party. Plans for presenting prizes will be posted on the notice board.
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8 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 8.1 The SIs will be available on the notice board approximately 10 days before the first scheduled day of racing.

9 VENUE

- 9.1 The race will be a point-to-point race using government marks from Annapolis, MD to Solomons, MD.

10 THE COURSE

- 10.1 The start will be at or near G/R can "SR".
- 10.2 After starting, the following marks shall be rounded or passed in the following order:
- Bloody Pt. Warning Light (LLNR 7751), passed to port,
 - R"84", passed to port,
 - Sharps Island Light passed to port,
 - G"77", rounded to starboard.
- 10.3 The finish will be at Patuxent River entrance mark "3".
- 10.4 The race committee may shorten the course at rounding mark G"77".
- 10.5 There is no time limit. While most boats will finish in daylight, boats should be prepared for the possibility of finishing after sunset.

11 SCORING

- 11.1 RRS Appendix A4, Low Point System, will apply as changed by the SIs.
- 11.2 Corrected times for PHRF classes will be calculated using PHRF Time-on-Time scoring. The A and B factors will be specified in the sailing instructions. The race committee will assign the course type rating ("Handicap (Spinnaker)" or "Random Course Handicap (Spinnaker)") on race day as detailed in the SIs.
- 11.3 Corrected times for ORC classes 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 SIs.
- 11.4 Corrected times for CRCA classes will be calculated using handicaps supplied by the CRCA class administration based upon course type and predicted wind strength on race day as detailed in the SIs.
- 11.5 Boats not completing all registration steps by 1200 on Friday, September 25 will not be scored.

12 PRIZES

- 12.1 Prizes will be given in each class for 1st place with 3 or more starters (boats starting in at least one race), 2nd place with 5 or more starters, and 3rd place with 7 or more starters.
- 12.2 The OA anticipates that the following perpetual trophies will be awarded (as further described in the SIs):
- Pavana Trophy: best overall corrected time in ORC.
 - America's Trophy: this event will be part of the season series for overall performance in ORC.
- 12.3 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organizing authority.

13 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 13.1 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.

14 INSURANCE

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

15 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 15.1 For more information contact AYC Harborside Director: Linda Ambrose, lambrose@annapolisyc.org, 410.858.4964.