



80th AYC Fall Series

October 3-4, 10, 17-18, 2020

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

NOTICE OF RACE

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).
- 1.2 [DP] For ORC only, the "Nearshore" category of the US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements (available at <https://www.ussailing.org/competition/offshore/safety-information/ser-world-sailing-special-regulations>) will apply.

2 COMMUNICATIONS

- 2.1 The official notice board is electronic and will be located at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=11748>.
- 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, ENTRY, and FEES

- 3.1 The classes that are invited to participate, the dates and format of racing, and the entry fees are:

Racing Dates			
	Fall Series 1 Sat, Oct 3 & Sun, Oct 4	Fall Series 2 Sat, Oct 10	Fall Series 3 Sat, Oct 17 & Sun, Oct 18
Early Entry Fee	Participating classes		
\$100	J/22		
\$100	J/30		
\$100	J/70		
\$100	J/80		
\$100	Viper 640		
\$55		Alerion 28	
\$55		Harbor 20	
\$55		Cal 25	
\$100			ORC
\$100			J/35
\$100			J/105
Early entry date (NoR 3.3)			
	Mon, Sep 14	Mon, Sep 21	Mon, Sep 28
Final entry date (NoR 3.3 and 3.4)			
	Fri, Oct 2	Fri, Oct 9	Fri, Oct 16

- 3.2 Boats wishing to enter shall register online at: <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=11748>.
 - 3.3 Early registration and early entry fee (see NoR 3.1) above are due by 1700 on the early entry date. After that, registrations with an additional fee of \$25 will be accepted until 1200 on final entry date (see NoR 3.1). Entry fees are non-refundable.
 - 3.4 For a class to have a start, it must have a minimum of 3 paid entries by 1200 of the final entry date (see NoR 3.1). Entry fees for boats in classes that fail to meet the minimum will be returned.
 - 3.5 Boats in an ORC class shall have a valid ORC International or ORC Club certificate, see <http://www.ussailing.org/racing/offshore-big-boats/orc/>. The OA will post assignments of boats in the ORC fleet to starting classes no later than 1700 on Wednesday, October 14. The OA may change the assignment of an ORC boat's starting class until 1700 on Friday, October 16.
 - 3.6 To be considered an entry and be scored in the regatta, a boat shall complete all registration steps including the waiver (see NoR 3.8) and pay all fees.
 - 3.7 The entry fee includes, at a minimum, racing and awards.
 - 3.8 [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 SCHEDULE AND COURSES
- 4.1 The warning signal for the first race each day is scheduled for 1100.
 - 4.2 For Fall Series 1: 5 races using drop-marks courses are scheduled. A maximum of 3 races per day will be sailed.
 - 4.3 For Fall Series 2: 3 races using drop-marks courses are scheduled.
 - 4.4 For Fall Series 3: on Saturday, up to 3 races using drop-marks courses are scheduled. On Sunday, 1 race using government marks is scheduled.
 - 4.5 No warning signal will be made after 1530 on October 4, 10, and 18.

4.6 Due to COVID-19 precautions, there will likely be no post-race parties. Plans for presenting prizes will be posted on the notice board.

5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

5.1 The sailing instructions (SIs) will be available on the notice board approximately 10 days before the first scheduled day of racing.

6 VENUE

6.1 For Fall Series 1 & 3, the racing area will be Chesapeake Bay off the mouth of the Severn River. For Fall Series 2, the racing area will be the Severn River east of the USNA.

6.2 The regatta venue will be the Annapolis Yacht Club. The location details for social events will be posted on the notice board.

7 SCORING

7.1 RRS Appendix A4, Low Point System, will apply as changed by the SIs.

7.2 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.

7.3 Boats not completing all registration steps by 1200 on the Friday (Oct 2, 9 and 16) preceding the respective 2020 Fall Series weekend will not be scored.

8 PRIZES

8.1 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.

8.2 The OA anticipates that the following perpetual trophies will be awarded (as further described in the SIs):

(a) Viking Trophy: best performance in ORC overall.

(b) Chesapeake Trophy: first in ORC I.

(c) Commodore H.H.J. Benson Trophy: first in ORC II.

(d) Harwood S. Strange Trophy: first in ORC III.

(e) William G. Sullivan Trophy: first in the J/30 class.

(f) Charles Dell Trophy: first in the J/105 class.

(g) J/22 Club Championship: best performance by an AYC member in the J/22 class.

(h) America's Trophy: this event will be part of the season series for overall performance in ORC.

(i) G. di Marzo Centennial Cup: This event will be part of the Harbor 20 Fleet 5 Championship (along with the AYC Spring Harbor regatta).

8.3 The winner of the J/35 class will be the 2020 J/35 Mid-Atlantic Champion.

8.4 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organizing authority.

9 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

9.1 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.

10 INSURANCE

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

11 FURTHER INFORMATION

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