



Storm Trysail Club Chesapeake Station  
**2020 Annapolis Fall Regatta**  
for the  
**The ORC East Coast Championship**

Annapolis, Maryland, USA  
October 23-25, 2020

## Sailing Instructions<sup>v2</sup>

### 1. RULES

The regatta will be governed by the *Racing Rules of Sailing* ("rules"); the prescriptions of US Sailing; the ORC Rating Rule; Sailing Instructions and the Notice of Race, except as any of these are altered by the Sailing Instructions (this changes RRS 63.7); the current US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements (SER) Nearshore Category and associated Appendices. In the event of a conflict between these regulations and applicable class rules, the class rules shall apply. The following rules are changed:

26 see SI 5 and SI 8

29.1 see SI 9

35 and Appendix A see SI 13

63.7 see SI 1

A2 see SI 15

Race Signals: see SI 5 and SI 9. There will be no signal "L", "AP", "X", First Substitute" or "N" used.

### 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the regatta website:

<https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=11832>

Any postponements ashore announcements, Notices or Amendments will be posted and emailed to all competitors, to the email address on the entry form.

### 3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted by 0830 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 hours on the day before it will take effect.

### 4. SCHEDULE OF RACES

Friday: All classes will race a Distance Race, with a scoring gate, if conditions permit, which will constitute 2 races.

Saturday: All classes will race up to 3 W/L races.

Sunday: All classes will race 2 W/L races unless a makeup race is required, in which case there may be 3 races. No warning signal will be made after 1430.

The scheduled time for the warning signal for the first race each day is 1030.

#### **4. STARTING AREA LOCATIONS:**

Friday: At GC "1" South of Hackett Point.

Saturday & Sunday: Between Tolly Point light "1AH" and Thomas Point Shoal light.

#### **5. CLASS FLAGS**

Not required.

There will be no flags used for the starting sequence.

#### **6. THE COURSES**

Courses for the **Distance Race** are described in Appendix 1 attached to these Sailing Instructions. The Race Committee will attempt to notify all competitors of the course to be sailed using **VHF Channel 74**. If conditions permit, there will be a scoring gate at one of the turning marks in the distance race.

**Windward / Leeward courses** of 4 legs will be sailed with marks to be left to port as follows: start, windward, leeward, windward, and finish to leeward at the signal boat. The approximate distance and magnetic bearing between the start line and windward mark will be announced on VHF 74. The leeward mark will be the starting pin. Boats should round the single leeward mark, leaving it to port.

#### **7. MARKS**

Starting Pin / Leeward mark: orange inflatable. Finish Pin: Yellow inflatable. Windward Mark: Orange inflatable. Windward change mark: Yellow inflatable.

There will be no offset marks.

#### **8. THE START**

Races will be started using the rule 26, 5 minute sequence with sound signals and radio countdown only.

**Distance Race:** The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Boat at the starboard end of the line and the course side of GC "1" at the port end of the line.

**W/L Races:** The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Boat at the starboard end of the line and the course side of an inflatable mark at the port end of the line.

#### **9. RECALLS**

Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with rule 29.1, with no "X" flag displayed. The Race Committee will announce sail numbers of OCS boats on **VHF Channel 74**. Failure to make such transmissions, the order or timeliness of the sail number announcements or failure of a competitor to receive or hear such transmissions shall not be grounds for redress.

#### **10. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

The Race Committee may change a windward mark of the course in accordance with rule 33. For a changed windward mark, the first changed mark will be a yellow inflatable. Subsequent changes will be alternated between yellow and orange inflatables. For a changed Leeward mark or finish line, the original mark or finish line will be moved.

#### **11. PENALTY SYSTEM**

US Sailing Prescription Appendix V1 is in effect.

## 12. FINISH

**Distance race:** See Appendix attached.

**Windward/leeward races:** The finish line will be on the opposite side of the Signal Boat and will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the Signal Boat and a nearby yellow inflatable mark.

## 13. TIME LIMITS

**Distance race:** The time limit will be 5 hours. Boats failing to finish within 2.0 hours of the first boat in her class will be scored TLE, as described below.

**Windward/leeward races:** The time limit for the first yacht to finish is 1.5 hours. Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes of the first boat in her class will be scored TLE, as described below.

## 14. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

Boats intending to protest another boat for an incident on the water shall notify the Race Committee, and receive acknowledgement, as soon as possible after finishing. Protest forms are available on the regatta website. Completed protest forms must be emailed to the race officer [rneville@innovprop.com](mailto:rneville@innovprop.com) within 1 hour from the time that the Race Committee Signal Boat docks, which will be posted on the Notice Board. Protests will be submitted to the Annapolis Yacht Club Protest Committee and the protest hearings will be heard virtually via telephone or video conference during the week following the regatta. The protest committee will post a notice to inform competitors of the schedule and location of the hearings in which they are parties or names as witnesses.

## 15. SCORING

A maximum of seven races are scheduled of which one race shall be completed to constitute a series and championship. No score will be excluded. The Distance Race will constitute two races, and will have a "scoring gate" at one of the rounding marks, with a points value of 1.0. The completed Distance Race will be scored with a value of 1.5 points.

The Low Point Scoring System, rule A4.1 will apply with the following addition:

"Boats failing to finish within the time limit will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired) and scored points equal to the number of finishers in that race plus two, but in no case will be scored more than the number of starters".

**Distance race:** Coastal/Long Distance Single Number Time-on-Time ratings will be used.

**Windward/Leeward races:** Triple Number Time-on-Time ratings will be used to score the Windward / Leeward races.

For more information on ORC scoring, visit [www.orc.org/scoring](http://www.orc.org/scoring).

## 16. SAFETY

See RRS Part 1.

All boats are strongly encouraged to follow the STC Safety Guidelines for Rendering Assistance, available at [www.stormtrysail.org](http://www.stormtrysail.org).

A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible on VHF 74 or by phone to 410.353.0477.

## 17. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

The Race Committee will broadcast on **VHF Channel 74** information such as location of the Race Committee Signal Boat, postponement, sail numbers of yachts OCS, general recalls, course, range and bearing to the

windward mark, change of course, abandonment, etc. Failure to receive or hear these broadcasts, will not be grounds for redress.

#### **18. PRIZES**

Trophies will be awarded to the top three boats in each class. The overall winner of the two ORC classes will be the 2020 ORC East Coast Champion.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, there will be no awards party. Trophies will be shipped direct from Gifted of Larchmont.

#### **19. AWARDS/SOCIAL**

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, there will be no sponsored social gatherings.

# APPENDIX 1 to Sailing Instructions

## Description of Distance Race Courses

***For all courses, marker 1AH off Tolly Point, Thomas Point Shoal lighthouse and Sandy Point Light, must be left on the channel side.***

**Course 1** Approximately 22nm: From the Start; to Buoy "R 88" to starboard; to Buoy R "86" to starboard; to Buoy GRC "SR", near Thomas Point Light; to port; to Buoy G "1" FI G 4s, off West River; to port; to Buoy R"86" to port (Scoring Gate\*); to Buoy "R "88" to port; to Severn River Buoy R "2" to starboard; to Finish line located between Severn River Buoy G "5" FI G 4s and a nearby race committee boat.

\*There will be a Scoring Gate at R "86" on the return rounding. ***Boats should take their GPS time when this rounding mark bears 270°magnetic.*** This will constitute one race. The complete Distance Race will constitute a second race.

**Course 2** Approximately 23nm: From the Start; to Buoy R "88" to Port; to Buoy RW "LP" Mo (A) to port, via any of the three highest spans of the William P. Lane Memorial Bridges; to Craighill Channel Entrance buoy R"6" to port (Scoring Gate\*); to Craighill Channel Entrance buoy R "2" to starboard; to Buoy R "88" to starboard, via any of the three highest spans of the William P. Lane Memorial Bridges; to Severn River Buoy R "2" to starboard; to Finish Line located between Severn River G "5" FI G 4s and a nearby race committee boat.

\*There will be a Scoring Gate at Craighill Channel Entrance Buoy R "6". ***Boats should take their GPS time when this rounding mark bears 090°magnetic.*** This will constitute one race. The complete Distance Race will constitute a second race.