



# Boomerang Race

CBRYA Sanction #330

Saturday-Sunday, 11-12 July 2020

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

Eastport Yacht Club



## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

with Amendment Nos. 1 & 2

### 1 RULES

- 1.1 Racing will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 For the J/105 Fleet, Article 9.1 through 9.1.7 of the J/105 Fleet 3 Articles shall be in effect. The J/105 Fleet 3 Articles can be found at [www.j105fleet3.org/rules](http://www.j105fleet3.org/rules). This is a Level A event.
- 1.3 The notation “[DP]” in a rule in these Sailing Instructions means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the Protest Committee, be less than disqualification.
- 1.4 The notation “[NP]” in a rule in these Sailing Instructions means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 1.5 **[NP]** All equipment required by the US Coast Guard, the RRS, the Notice of Race, these SIs, and the respective class rules, shall be aboard, readily available, and in working order. The RC has the right to inspect, without notice, any boat for the required equipment.
- 1.6 **[DP]** Participants shall abide by all local, state, and federal health and safety guidelines in effect the day of the race.

### 2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board, located electronically at <http://eastportyc.org/boomerang>.

### 3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes in the SIs shall be posted before 2000 hours on Friday, 10 July 2020.

### 4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore before the race start shall be displayed from the EYC flagpole, located on the waterside of the clubhouse. The Race Committee (RC) may announce signals posted ashore on VHF channel 73, and/or text message, and/or email. This announcement, lack thereof or contents thereof shall not be grounds for Redress or Protest. This changes RRS 41 and 62.1(a).
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, “1 minute” is replaced with “not less than 60 minutes” in race signal AP. This changes RRS Signals.

### 5 SCHEDULE

The schedule of events is:

Thu, 09 July	1200	Registration closes
	1700	Competitors videoconference details emailed to all skippers
	1900	Night navigation, commercial traffic, and safety seminar via videoconference ( <i>recommended</i> )
Fri, 10 July	2000	Classes start order posted to Official Notice Board
Sat, 11 July	1815	Check-In vessel on station
	1845	Intended Warning Signal for first class
	2330	RC Finish Vessel on-station

### 6 CLASS FLAGS – ORDER OF START

- 6.1 It is the intention of the RC to give the first Warning signal at 1845 hours. The start order will be posted to the Official Notice Board before 2000 hours on Friday, 10 July 2020.
- 6.2 **[DP] [NP]** All boats shall fly class flags specified in the CBRYA Green Book, or as identified in the start order posting noted SI 6.1.





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**7 RACING AREA**

The racing area shall be on the Severn River and Chesapeake Bay, between the Chesapeake Bay Bridge and Cove Point.

**8 MANDATORY CHECK-IN**

- 8.1 The RC shall use a separate check-in vessel. The vessel shall fly a solid yellow flag and shall be located approximately 0.2 nm SE of Triton Light of the US Naval Academy seawall.
- 8.2 **[DP] [NP]** Each boat shall pass close astern of the check-in vessel and hail her sail number until acknowledged by a return hail from the check-in vessel.
- 8.3 RC shall protest any boat that finishes the race but fails to complete the check-in process, per SI 8.2.

**9 COURSES**

- 9.1 RC intends to designate a course that is commensurate with the predicted conditions. Course "A" will be selected when conditions support a longer race distance; course "B" will be selected when conditions support a shorter race distance.
- 9.2 The designated course will be identified on a board displayed on the check-in vessel and the Signal Vessel. The board will show either "A" or "B" to indicate which course shall be sailed. The Signal Vessel will also attempt to repeatedly state the course designation on VHF channel 73 during the start sequences.
- 9.3 The failure of any boat to see the course board or hear the VHF broadcasts shall not be grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 41 and 62.1(a).
- 9.4 Course diagrams and descriptions are provided in the figures, as noted in the following table.

Course Designation for Each Class	Multihull A, PHRF A0/A1, PHRF A2, and J/35 Classes	Multihull B, J/105, J/30, PHRF B, CRCA ORR Cruiser, CRCA ORR Performance Cruiser, CRCA ORR Racer Cruiser, and CHESSS Classes	Alberg 30 Class
"A"	Figure 1, LONG COURSE	Figure 2, MEDIUM COURSE	Figure 4, SHORTEST COURSE
"B"	Figure 2, MEDIUM COURSE	Figure 3, SHORT COURSE	Figure 4, SHORTEST COURSE

**10 THE START**

- 10.1 Races shall be started using RRS 26.
- 10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC Signal Vessel at the starboard end, and the course side of Severn River lighted buoy "G9 Q G" at the port end.
- 10.3 **[DP]** If reasonably possible, a boat not racing shall not interfere with a boat that is racing.
- 10.4 A boat starting more than ten (10) minutes after the starting signal of the last class shall be scored Did Not Start (DNS). This changes RRS A4.

**11 RECALLS**

- 11.1 The RC intends to hail the sail numbers of OCS boats after the starting signal on VHF channel 73. A boat may not base a request for redress on the failure to hear or receive the announcement, the timeliness of the announcement, or the order in which boats are announced. This changes RRS 41 and 62.1(a).
- 11.2 If a general recall is made, classes which have not been recalled shall be started as though the general recall(s) had not been made. This modifies RRS 29.2.
- 11.3 Recalled classes shall start in the order they were recalled, after the last scheduled start.

**12 THE FINISH**

- 12.1 The finishing line shall be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC Finish Vessel and the course side of Severn River lighted buoy "G5 FI G, 4s." The RC Finish Vessel will be anchored on the south side of Severn River lighted buoy "G5 FI G, 4s."
- 12.2 The RC Finish Vessel expects to be on station on the southwest side of Severn River lighted buoy "G5 FI G, 4s" beginning at approximately 2330 hours on Saturday, 11 July 2020, until 1200 hours on Sunday, 12 July 2020, or when all competitors have finished or withdrawn, whichever occurs first.
- 12.3 **[NP]** When finishing before sunrise, boats shall illuminate their sail numbers within two hundred (200) yards of the finish line, until two hundred (200) yards past the finish line.





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- 12.4 If the RC Finish Vessel is not on station, a boat shall take her finish time when she passes Severn River lighted buoy "G5 Fl G, 4s" within one hundred (100) yards and the mark bears 055° degrees magnetic. Boats recording their own finish shall report their finish time to the RC as soon as practical after finishing by contacting the Principal Race Officer (PRO) and leaving a message on the EYC cell phone, (410) 271-7193, or via email at [race.committee@eastportyc.org](mailto:race.committee@eastportyc.org).

### **13 PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 13.1 RRS Appendix V1, Penalty at the Time of An Incident, will apply.  
13.2 RRS Appendix V2, Penalty Taken After A Race, will apply.

### **14 DELETED**

### **15 SCORING INQUIRIES, PROTESTS, AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 15.1 Scoring Inquiries shall be filed within the Protest Time Limit via one of the following methods.
- a. Electronic submittal is preferred and is available via the "Online Scoring Inquiry Filing" link found on the Yacht Scoring event main page.
  - b. Written forms may be submitted to a member of the race management team at Sparky's Shed, located by the ground floor waterside entrance to the Club within the Protest Time Limit. If a member of the race management team is not present (prior to the RC Signal Vessel dock time), a deposit envelope will be provided at Sparky's Shed. Forms will be available at the same location.
  - c. Scoring inquiries may be resolved via teleconference or video conference.
- 15.2 Protests and Requests for Redress shall be filed within the Protest Time Limit via one of the following methods.
- a. Electronic submittal is preferred and is available via the "Owner's Corner" link found on the Yacht Scoring event main page. A diagram of the incident, if applicable, cannot be submitted via Yacht Scoring, and should be submitted either via email to [race.committee@eastportyc.org](mailto:race.committee@eastportyc.org) or to a member of the race management team at the time of the filing.
  - b. Written forms may be submitted to a member of the race management team at Sparky's Shed, located by the ground floor waterside entrance to the Club within the Protest Time Limit. If a member of the race management team is not present (prior to the RC Signal Vessel dock time), a deposit envelope will be provided at Sparky's Shed. Forms will be available at the same location.
- 15.3 The alternative penalty acceptance form (RRS Appendix V2) will be available via the "Documents & Forms" link found on the Yacht Scoring event main page. A paper form will also be available from a member of the race management team at Sparky's Shed, located by the ground floor waterside entrance to the Club.
- 15.4 The protest time limit is sixty (60), minutes after the RC Signal Vessel dock time. This posting constitutes the notification required in RRS 61.1b and 63.2. The time limit for a Request for Redress based on an incident in the racing area shall be the Protest Time Limit. This changes RRS 62.2.
- 15.5 The Protest Committee may schedule a hearing prior to the Protest Time Limit if the parties and witnesses are available and have had time to prepare for the hearing. Protest and/or request for redress hearings may be virtual hearings. The parties to a virtual hearing are responsible for having their witnesses, if any, present at the beginning of the hearing. The time and location of each protest hearing will be posted on the Official Notice Board. Parties and witnesses are encouraged to download and review the Protest Procedure Guidelines & Code of Conduct for Remote Hearings, available via the "Documents & Forms" link found on the Yacht Scoring event main page.
- 15.6 When the RC or Protest Committee protests a boat, the requirements of RRS 61.1(b) to notify the boat may be met by posting a list of protested boats on the Official Notice Board before the end of the protest time limit.

### **16 SCORING**

- 16.1 PHRF handicap scoring will be in accordance with the PHRF Time-on-Time Circular Random rating.  
16.2 ORREZ handicap scoring will be wind-indexed and determined in accordance with ORR and CRCA guidelines.  
16.3 Multihull handicap scoring will be in accordance with the CMA rating.





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### 17 SAFETY

- 17.1 **[DP] [NP]** In the interest of overall event safety, and consistent with best practices, boats that have checked in as starters and subsequently withdraw prior to finishing shall notify the PRO as soon as practical on VHF channel 73, or via the EYC cell phone, (410) 271-7193, or via email at [race.committee@eastportyc.org](mailto:race.committee@eastportyc.org). A voicemail message shall include the approximate time of the message, the name and contact information of the caller, the boat name, and her sail number.
- 17.2 **[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(s) they observe.
- 17.3 **[DP]** A boat without way may use any means of propulsion to avoid underway commercial traffic, provided:
- the boat does not gain an advantage;
  - using the propulsion is the boat's only means of avoiding the commercial traffic; and,
  - the boat submits a report (in writing or by email) to the RC by the protest filing deadline that describes the incident and the boat's actions.
- 17.4 **[DP]** The RC or Protest Committee may protest a boat for SI 17.2 and 17.3 based on information received from any source. The protest time limit does not apply. This changes RRS 60.2, 60.3, and RRS 61.3.
- 17.5 **[DP]** A boat racing between sunset and sunrise that is in close proximity to other vessels shall illuminate her sails so that she is clearly visible. This requirement is in addition to the navigation lights and shapes required by the Inland Rules and other applicable government regulations.

### 18 DISPOSAL OF TRASH

**[DP]** This is a Clean Race; all competitors are strongly encouraged to use multi-use water bottles instead of disposable water bottles, and to recycle whenever possible. A competitor shall not intentionally put trash in the water.



### 19 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 19.1 **[DP] [NP]** Boats shall have a working VHF radio capable of communicating on VHF channels 9, 13, 16, and 73.
- 19.2 RC shall communicate with competitors on VHF channel 73. A boat may not base a request for redress on the failure to hear or receive radio communications, the timeliness of communication or the contents of any transmission. This changes RRS 41 and 62.1(a).
- 19.3 Boats are encouraged to make contact with commercial traffic on VHF channel(s) 13 and/or 16, as required for safety.

### 20 PRIZES

- 20.1 A 1<sup>st</sup> Place prize will be awarded in each class that has three (3) or more entries.
- 20.2 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.
- 20.3 The Boomerang Trophy shall be presented to the boat that finishes first in the class with the closest elapsed corrected times between 1<sup>st</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> places. Boats competing in one-design classes will be evaluated on their elapsed times.
- 20.4 The F. Peter Weber Trophy shall be awarded to the first boat to cross the finish line, regardless of class or course, provided she is not scored OCS, retires after finishing, or is disqualified by the Protest Committee. In the event the first boat to finish is eliminated from consideration, the award will be presented to the next qualified finisher.
- 20.5 Prizes in the Patriot Cup will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Places. Results will be a calculation of finish position within the class the boat sails, ranked from highest to lowest.
- 20.6 The Organizing Authority will contact all prize-winners to coordinate presentation of awards.

### 21 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Boats participate in the EYC Boomerang Race entirely at their own risk; see RRS 4. The OA will accept no liability for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the event.

### 22 INSURANCE

**[DP] [NP]** Each boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$300,000.





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**23 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Weather forecasting services will be provided by Weather Routing, Inc., beginning on Thursday, 09 July 2020. Forecasts will be found at <http://www.seaweather.net>.

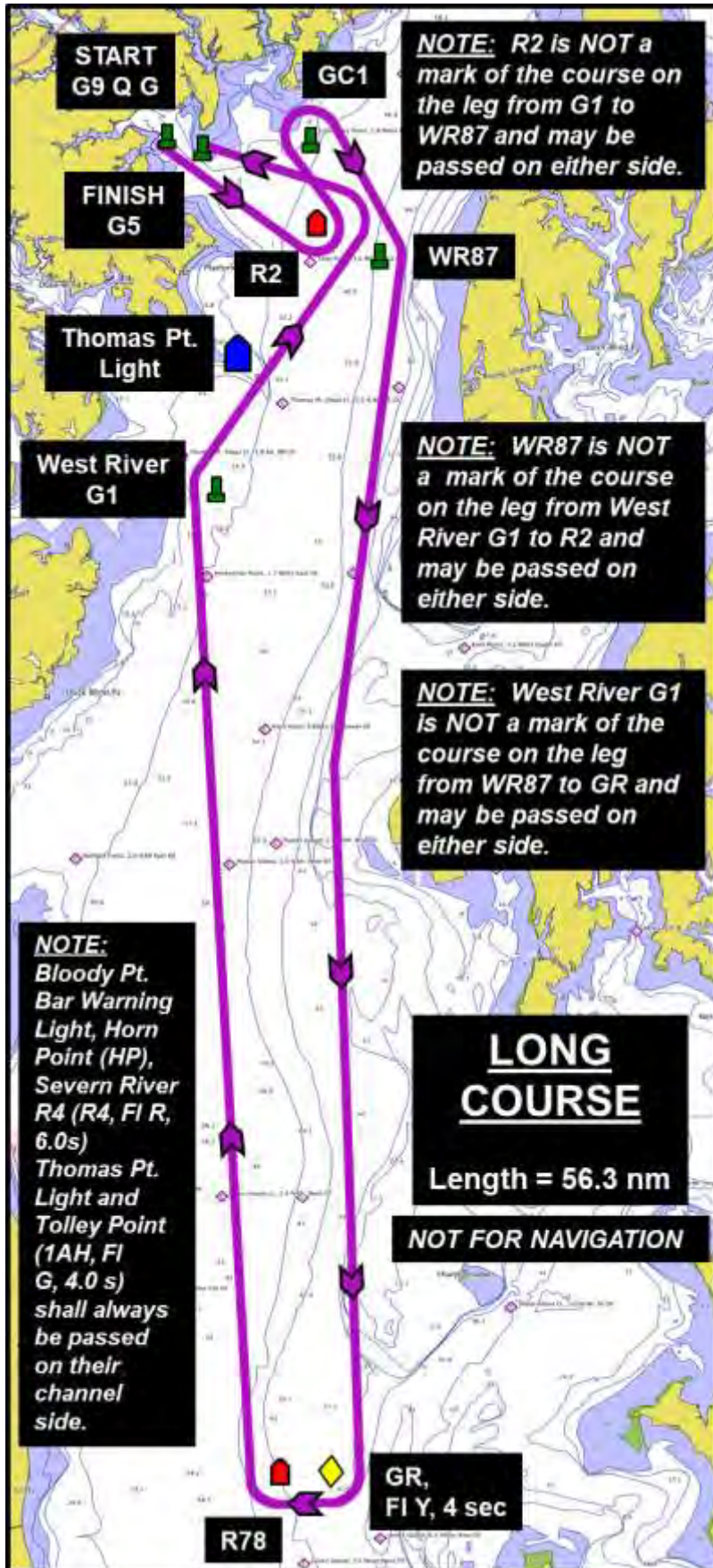
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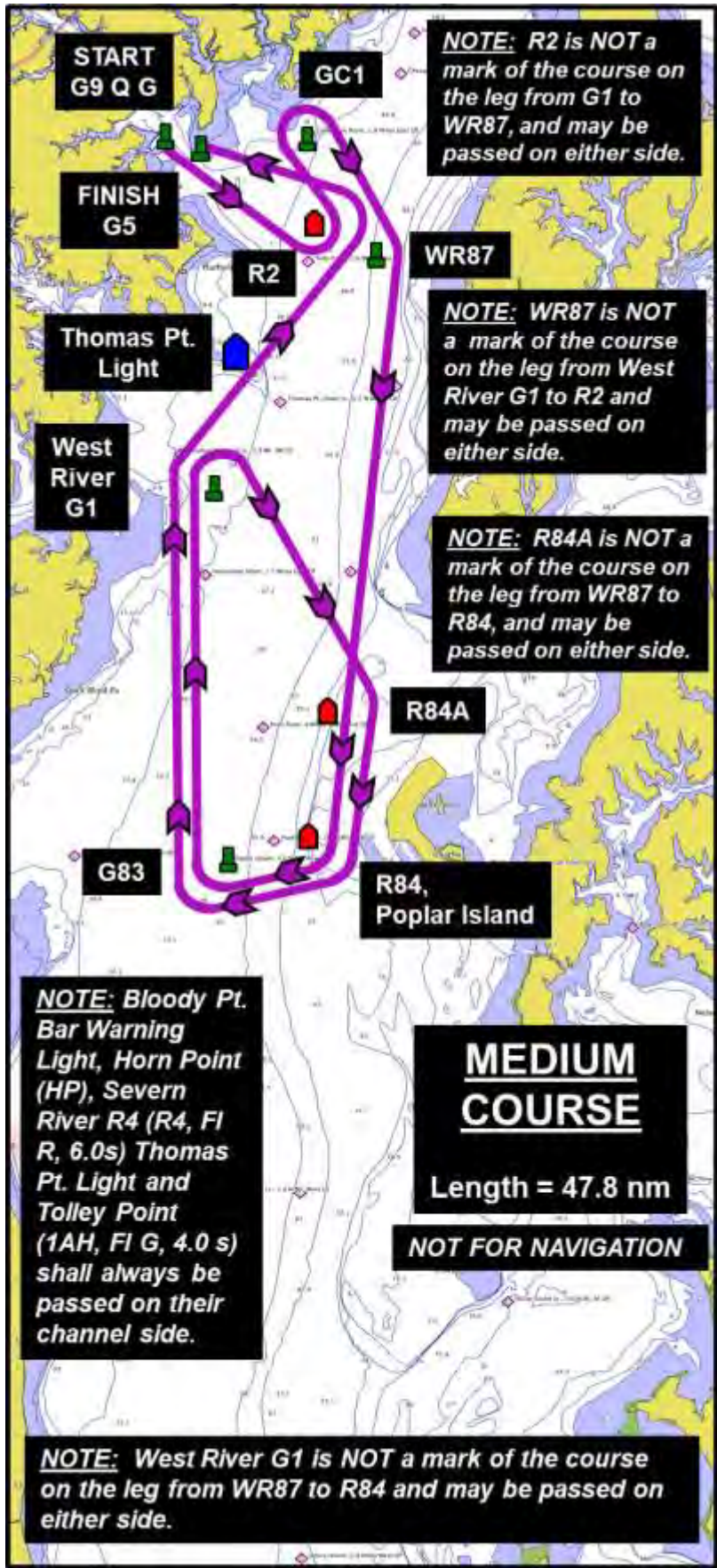


**FIGURE 1. Boomerang Race – LONG COURSE**





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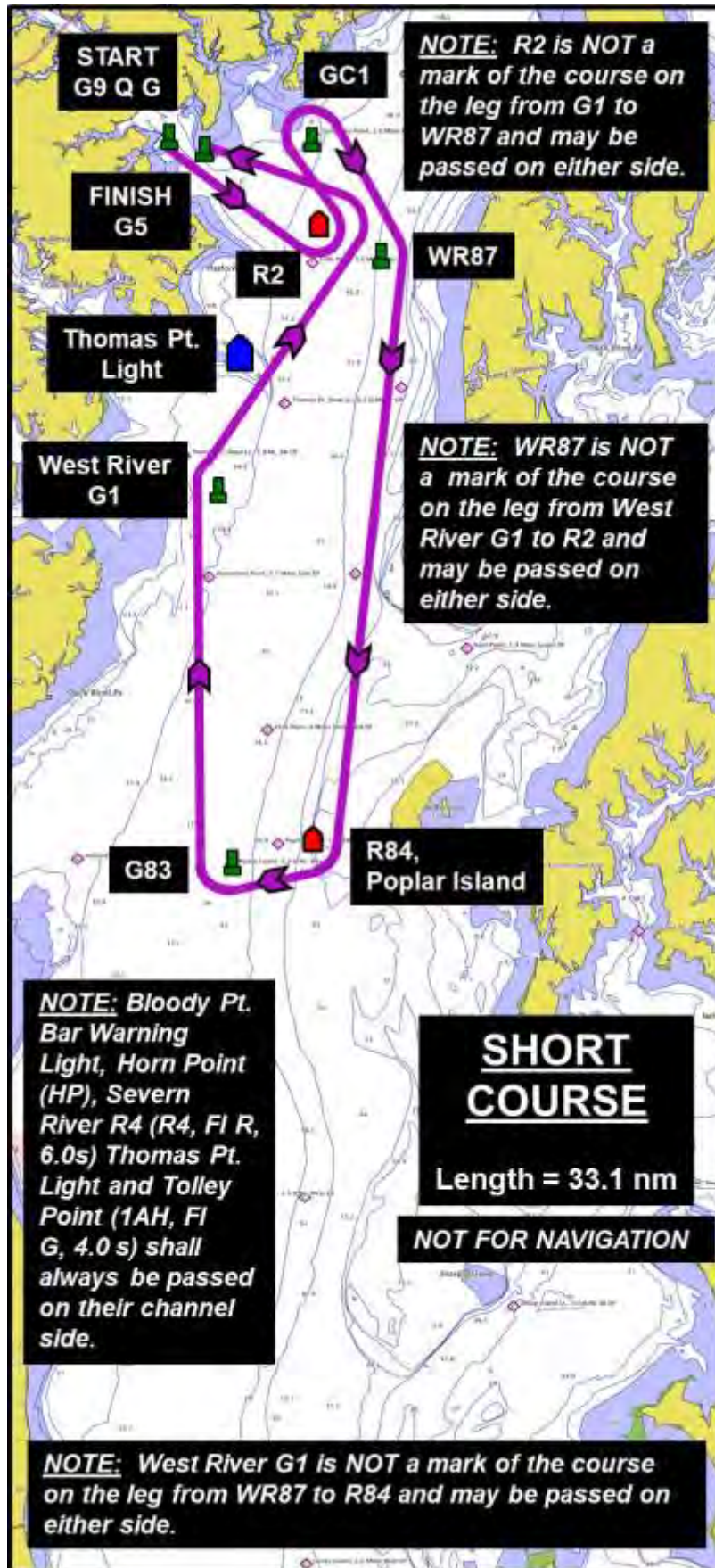
**FIGURE 2. Boomerang Race – MEDIUM COURSE**







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**FIGURE 3. Boomerang Race – SHORT COURSE**







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**FIGURE 4. Boomerang Race – SHORTEST COURSE**

