



84th AYC Annual Regatta July 24-25, 2021

Organizing Authority: Annapolis Yacht Club
Annapolis, Maryland, USA

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

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS inc. Amendment No. 1&2

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the sailing instructions (SIs) or 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).

RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 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.

CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Any change to the SIs will be posted no later than 2 hours before the first scheduled warning signal on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board which is electronic and located at: <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=11745>.
- 3.2 The race office can be reached by telephone at 410-858-4964 or by email at raceoffice@annapolisyc.org. Forms can be found online at <https://annapolisyc.com/racing/raceoffice>.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors via VHF radio on channel **72** for the Bay Courses and channel **66a** for the River Course. This includes announcements and confirmation of race committee signals before, during, and after racing.
- 3.4 For the Government mark race on Saturday, the race committee will also communicate the course to be sailed via email.

4 CODE OF CONDUCT

- 4.1 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE













- 5.1 Signals flown ashore will be flown from flagpole at the AYC Clubhouse.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, the approximate time of the next warning signal will be announced to all competitors before it is removed.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1 Racing dates are as follows:
 - (a) Saturday, July 24 (Bay Circle): ORC, J105, and ORC Cruiser
 - (b) Sunday, July 25 (River Circle): Harbor 20 and Cal25
 - (c) Sunday, July 25 (Bay Circle): Alerion 28, J/22, J/30, J/70, J/80, and Viper
- 6.2 The warning signal for the first race each day is scheduled for 1100.
- 6.3 Two races are scheduled Saturday for the ORC and J105 classes. The ORC Cruiser Class will have only one government mark race on Saturday. Three races are scheduled for all classes on Sunday.
- 6.4 No warning signal will be made after 1530.

7 CLASS FLAGS

7.1 The class flags are:

Class	Class flag	Class	Class flag	Class	Class flag
Alerion 28	4 	J/80	J 	ORC I	1 
Cal 25	T 	J/70	6 	J/105	4 
Harbor 20	W 	J/30	D 	ORC II	3 
Viper 640		J/22	7 	ORC Cruiser	Green 

7.2 Boats in ORC classes shall clearly display their class flag from the backstay not less than six feet above the deck.

8 RACING AREA

8.1 The racing area will be in the Severn River and Chesapeake Bay off the mouth of the Severn River as shown in SI Attachment 1.

8.2 No later than 120 minutes prior to the first scheduled warning signal, the race committee will post the approximate intended location of the starting area on the notice board.

8.3 Approximately 60 minutes prior to the first scheduled warning signal, the race committee will announce the approximate location of the starting area on VHF radio.

8.4 Approximately 30 minutes prior to the first scheduled warning signal, the race committee will announce the location of the race committee signal vessel.

9 THE COURSES

9.1 The ORC and J105 classes (Saturday) and all classes sailing on Sunday will use drop-marks courses as shown in SI Attachment 2.

9.2 The ORC Cruiser class will have only one race on Saturday using Government marks as shown in SI Attachment 3.

9.3 Prior to the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel will announce on VHF radio the course to be sailed. For drop marks races, this will include the approximate distance between the leeward and windward marks, and the approximate compass bearing of the first leg of the course. For Government marks races, this will include the rounding marks and rounding side.

9.4 Prior to the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel may announce on VHF radio that the first mark will be a change mark (see SI 10.).

10 MARKS

10.1 The starting mark for the Bay Circle on Saturday and Sunday will be a green cylinder. The starting mark for the River Circle will be a green MarkSetBot.

10.2 FOR SATURDAY AND SUNDAY BAY COURSE (Drop Marks Courses):

- The finishing mark will be an orange cylinder.
- Marks 1, 2s, 2p will be orange cylinders.
- Mark 1a will be a green cylinder.
- Change marks used in accordance with SI 13 will be orange cylinders with a dark colored band.

10.3 FOR SUNDAY RIVER COURSE:

- The finishing mark will be a short orange cylinder.
- Mark 1 and 1a will be short yellow cylinders.
- Marks 2s and 2p will be short orange cylinders.
- Change marks used in accordance with SI 13 will be short yellow cylinders with a dark colored band.

10.4 For government marks race:

- The rounding marks will use CBYRA Region III Standard Race Marks as described SI Attachment 3.
- Government marks "1AH" (off Tolly Point) and R"4" (off Greenbury Point) shall be passed on the channel side at all times.

10.5 A race committee starting or finishing vessel may set a stand-off buoy. When present, this stand-off buoy, the line attaching it to the race committee vessel, and the race committee vessel are all part of the starting or finishing mark.

11 THE START

11.1 Approximately 120 minutes before the warning signal, the race committee will post the starting order for the first race of the day on the notice board.

11.2 For the Bay Courses, races will be started using RRS 26. For the River Course races will be started using RRS/US Appendix U, Audible-Signal Racing System, with all hails being made by VHF radio.

11.3 Prior to the warning signal, the race committee will announce the next class to start on VHF radio.

11.4 The starting line will be between the staff or halyard displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal vessel at the starboard end, and either the course side of the starting mark or the staff or halyard displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel at the port end.

11.5 [DP] Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.

11.6 A boat that does not start within 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

12 RECALLS

12.1 The race committee will announce on VHF radio boats identified as OCS, UFD, or BFD. A boat may not base a request for redress on the failure to hear or receive the announcements, the timeliness of announcement or the order in which boats are announced. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

13 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

13.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee 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.

13.2 After a start, if flag C is flown over flag Q, then the course change applies only to boats beginning their final leg to the finish. This changes RRS 33 race signals C.

14 THE FINISH

14.1 The finishing line will be between a staff or halyard displaying a blue flag on the race committee finishing vessel and the course side of the finishing mark.

15 PENALTY SYSTEM

15.1 Penalties while racing: RRS 44.1, One-Turn and Two-Turns Penalties will apply.

15.2 Penalties after racing: RRS/US Appendix V2, Penalty Taken After the Race, will apply.

16 TIME LIMITS

16.1 The Mark 1 Time Limits, Race Time Limits, and Finishing Windows are (in minutes):

Class, Race	Mark 1 Time Limit	Race Time Limit	Finishing Window
All Sunday classes	30	90	15
J/105, drop mark races	30	120	15
ORC, drop mark races	30	120	None
ORC Cruiser, gov't mark race	None	180	None

16.2 If no boat has passed the first mark within the Mark 1 Time Limit, the race will be abandoned.

16.3 The Race Time Limit is the time limit for the first boat in each class to sail the course and finish. If no boat finishes within the Race Time Limit, the race will be abandoned.

16.4 The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4, A5 and A11.

17 PROTESTS, REQUESTS FOR REDRESS, SCORING INQUIRIES

- 17.1 Protest forms, scoring inquiry forms, and penalty acceptance forms shall be delivered to the race office by email (see SI 3.2).
- 17.2 Protests, requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the race office by the protest time limit.
- 17.3 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the race committee signal vessel docks. The race committee will post the protest time limit.
- 17.4 As soon as practicable after a protest is filed, the protest committee will post a notice to inform competitors of the schedule and location of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
- 17.5 When the race committee receives a scoring inquiry form, it will review its records and respond as soon as practicable.
- 17.6 The race committee will post a list of race committee scoring actions no later than the protest time limit.
- 17.7 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).

18 SCORING

- 18.1 RRS Appendix A4, Low Point System, will apply.
- 18.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 18.3 A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 18.4 Corrected times for the ORC classes will be calculated using ORC Time-on-Time ratings. The race committee will determine the proper course type and the wind speed rating prior to scoring the race.
- 18.5 Boats to be scored TLE will be scored points equal to the number of boats finishing within the finishing window plus two points by the race committee without a hearing but no worse than the number of entries. This changes RRS A4.2 and A5.

19 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 19.1 [DP] A boat that retires from a race, or leaves the racing area between races, shall notify the race office (see SI 3) at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 19.2 [NP] [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 they observe.
- 19.3 A boat without way may use any means of propulsion to avoid commercial traffic that is under way provided: (a) the boat does not gain an advantage; (b) use of the propulsion is the boat's only means of avoiding the commercial traffic; and (c) the boat submits a report to the race office (in writing or by e-mail to raceoffice@annapolisyc.org) by the protest filing deadline describing the incident and the boat's actions.
- 19.4 The race committee or protest committee may protest a boat for SI 19.2 based on information received from any source. A written statement from the US Coast Guard, a ship captain, or a bay pilot will be accepted as evidence without the author present. The protest time limit does not apply. This changes RRS 60.2, 60.3, 61.3, and 63.6.

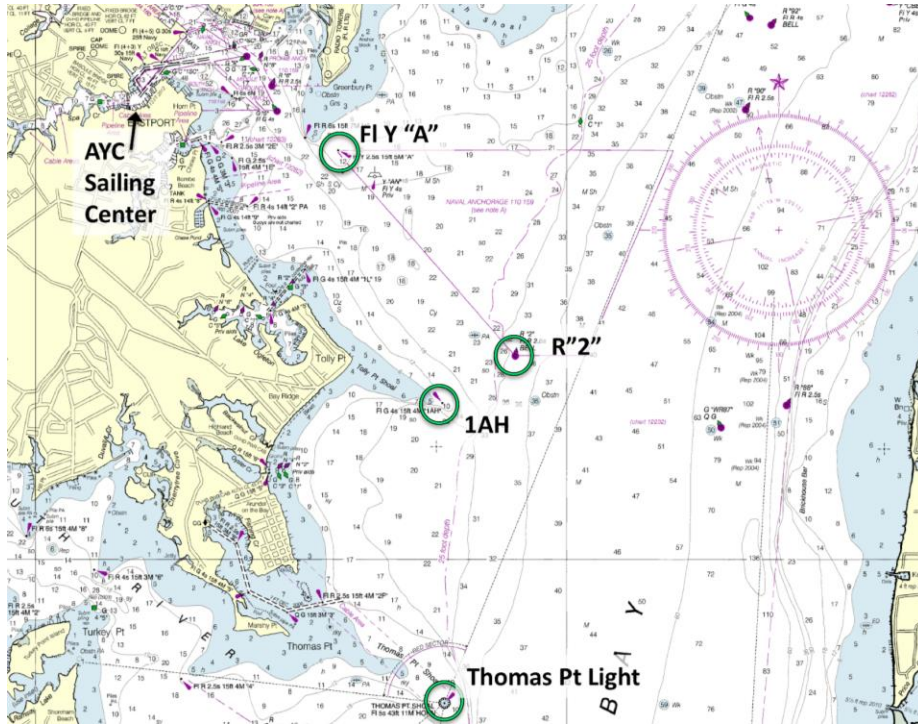
20 PRIZES

- 20.1 Prizes will be given in each class for 1st place with 3 or more starters, 2nd place with 6 or more starters, and 3rd place with 9 or more starters.
- 20.2 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organizing authority.

21 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 21.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue *racing* is hers alone.'

SI ATTACHMENT 1 - RACE AREA FOR DROP MARKS RACES



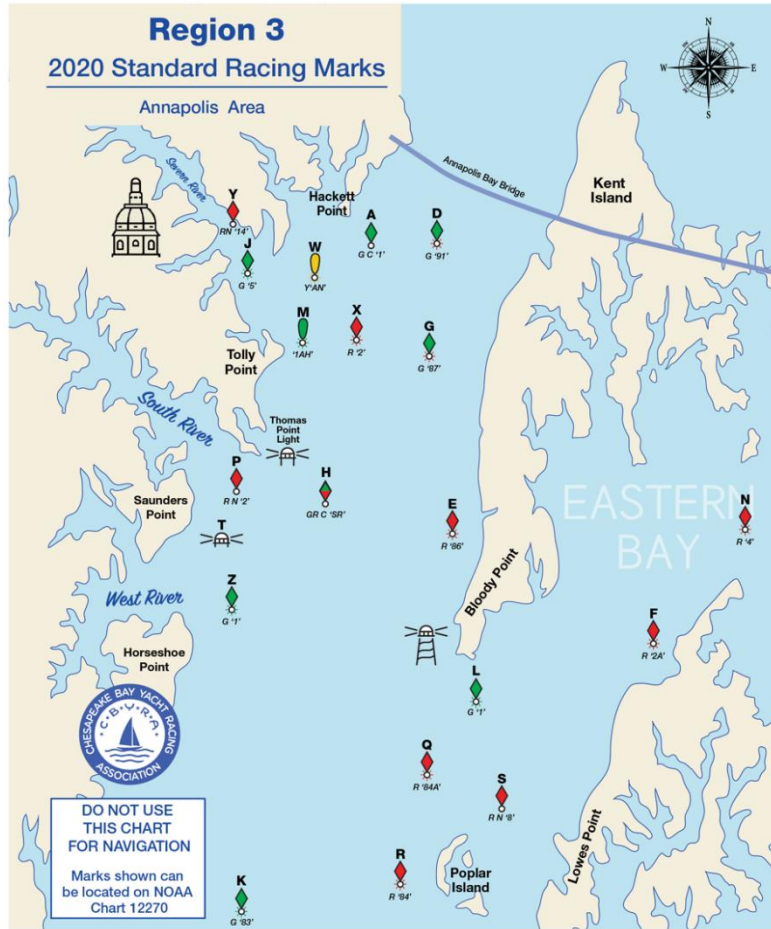
SI ATTACHMENT 2 - DROP MARKS COURSES

In the below table, the course designation is followed by the mark rounding order for that course. All marks except 2S are to be rounded to port. If the race committee announces on VHF radio that a gate will not be used, then mark 2S will not be set. The marks are described in SI 10. The starting line is described in SI 11. The finishing line is described in SI 14.

<p style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold; margin-bottom: 10px;">LA</p> <p>LA2: Start-1-1a-2s/2p-1-1a-Finish LA3: Start-1-1a-2s/2p-1-1a-2s/2p-1-1a-Finish</p>	<p style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold; margin-bottom: 10px;">LAF</p> <p>LA2F: Start-1-1a-2s/2p-1-1a-Finish LA3F: Start-1-1a-2s/2p-1-1a-2s/2p-1-1a-Finish</p>	<p style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold; margin-bottom: 10px;">WA</p> <p>WA2: Start-1-1a-2s/2p-Finish WA3: Start-1-1a-2s/2p-1-1a-2s/2p-Finish</p>
<p style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold; margin-bottom: 10px;">L</p> <p>L2: Start-1-2s/2p-1-Finish L3: Start-1-2s/2p-1-2s/2p-1-Finish</p>	<p style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold; margin-bottom: 10px;">LF</p> <p>L2F: Start-1-2s/2p-1-Finish L3F: Start-1-2s/2p-1-2s/2p-1-Finish</p>	<p style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold; margin-bottom: 10px;">W</p> <p>W2: Start-1-2s/2p-Finish W3: Start-1-2s/2p-1-2s/2p-Finish</p>
<p style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold; margin-bottom: 10px;">TL</p> <p>TL2: Start-1-2-3-1-Finish TL3: Start-1-2-3-1-3-1-Finish</p>	<p style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold; margin-bottom: 10px;">TLF</p> <p>TL2F: Start-1-2-3-1-Finish TL3F: Start-1-2-3-1-3-1-Finish</p>	<p style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold; margin-bottom: 10px;">TW</p> <p>TW2: Start-1-2-3-Finish TW3: Start-1-2-3-1-3-Finish</p>

SI ATTACHMENT 3 - GOVERNMENT MARKS COURSE MARKS

(a) See also SI 9.4



NOTE: Former marks "B" and "C" have been DELETED, and new marks "D" and "G" have been added as replacements.

Region 3 – 2020 Standard Racing Marks - Annapolis Area

Mark	Govt. ID	Characteristics	Location	Lat 38 N	Lon 76 W
A	G C"1"	G Can	1.1 nm SSE of Hackett Point	58-12.104	24-52.249
D	G "91"	FI G 4s Buoy	1.3 nm SSW of Chesapeake Bay Bridge	58-59.103	23-16.547
E	R "86"	FI R 4s Buoy	2.0 nm N of Bloody Point	51-58.414	23-32.836
F	R "2A"	FI R 4s Bell	0.6 nm N of Wades Point	50-33.347	18-12.964
G	G "87"	G Buoy	3.3 nm S of Chesapeake Bay Bridge	55-58.127	23-32.776
H	GR C"SR"	GR Can	0.3 nm SE of Thomas Pt. Light	53-39.428	25-52.216
J	G "5"	FI G 4s Buoy	0.38 nm SW of Greenbury Pt	58-17.815	27-43.465
K	G "83"	FI G 4s GONG	2.5 nm WSW of Poplar Island	45-07.524	26-39.330
L	G "1"	FI G 4s Bell	1.0 nm S of Kent Point	49-07.418	22-07.829
M	"1AH"	FI G 4s 15ft	NNE of Tolly Point (Shoal inside)	56-09.043	26-10.042
N	R "4"	FI 4s Buoy	0.8 nm N of Tilghman Point	52-35.114	15-04.963
P	R N"2"	R Nun	1.6 nm WSW of Thomas Pt Light	53-44.311	27-52.247
Q	R "84A"	FI R 2.5s Buoy	2.16 NNW of Poplar Island	47-35.620	24-41.331
R	R "84"	FI R 4s Bell	1.3 nm W of Poplar Island	45-27.424	25-06.828
S	R N"8"	R Nun	0.95 nm NW of Lowes Point	47-07.424	20-52.831
T	Fixed	FI(2+1) R 6s 15ft	0.6 nm E of Saunders Pt Shoal Junction Light	53-01.796	28-37.321
U	RC Choice	Inflatable drop	May be set by R.C. at Starting Line		
V	RC Choice	Inflatable drop	May be set by R.C. as 1		
W	Y "AN"	FI Y 4s	NOAA Weather Buoy off of Greenbury Pt	57-49.010	26-48.370
X	R "2"	FI R 2.5s Bell	1.3 nm E of Tolly Point	56-30.000	25-29.000
Y	R N'14"	TR Nun	0.3 nm NNW of Triton Pt	59-09.072	28-40.118
Z	G "1"	FI G 4s Buoy	2.6 NM NE of Curtis Point	51-50.694	26-59.472