

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

HELLY HANSEN SAILING WORLD REGATTA SERIES
ANNAPOLIS YACHT CLUB, ANNAPOLIS, MD MAY 13-15, 2022

SAILING WORLD AND THE ANNAPOLIS YACHT CLUB ARE CO-ORGANIZING AUTHORITIES (OA) FOR THIS REGATTA. THE ANNAPOLIS YACHT CLUB (AYC) IS THE HOST CLUB AND WILL PROVIDE RACE MANAGEMENT ASSISTED BY EASTPORT YACHT CLUB AND THE SEVERN SAILING ASSOCIATION. THIS IS AN OFFICIAL US SAILING SANCTIONED EVENT.

THE NOTATION '[DP]' IN A RULE IN THIS NOTICE OF RACE MEANS THAT THE PENALTY FOR A BREACH OF THAT RULE MAY, AT THE DISCRETION OF THE PROTEST COMMITTEE, BE LESS THAN DISQUALIFICATION.

1. RULES

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

1.2 All boats are required to abide by the state and local laws, guidelines and recommendations as well as the host club's restrictions with regard to the COVID-19 virus. Links to these documents will be posted on the Official Notice Board as they become available. [DP]

1.3 For the J/70 Class: Class Rules Part III Sections I.3 (Support Boat) and I.4 (Corinthian Division) will apply. [DP]

1.4 J/105 Class Rules are modified by Article IX of the local J/105 Fleet-3 Article/Rules. This event is designated Level 1A. J/105 Fleet-3 Articles/Rules can be found at <https://www.j105fleet3.org/rules>.

1.5 The US Sailing Prescriptions to RRS 63.1 and 63.2 shall not apply.

1.6 Boats shall not fly drones while racing or in the racing area. [DP]

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board prior to the event.

2.2 Amendments to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board located on the race website. It is the responsibility of each competitor to check the Official Notice Board for any amendments or notices.

2.3 Separate Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be available for the North Sails Rally Race.

2.4 Class breaks will be published as an Addendum to the SIs.

3. COMMUNICATION

3.1 The Official Notice Board is located online https://yachtscore.com/notice_board_summary.cfm?eid=14802.

3.2 [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on US channels. This may change a class rule.

3.3 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.

3.4 While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. [DP]

4. ADVERTISING

4.1 Boats are urged to refrain from displaying advertisements for businesses or products competing with those of the primary and support sponsors of the event.

4.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA, e.g., bow stickers, bow numbers, boom stickers, and/or flags.

4.3 At the discretion of the OA, bow numbers may also be required for some classes.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

No official signals will be displayed ashore. Notifications to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1 Ten races are scheduled.

6.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first start of the first race each day is 1100.

6.3 On the last scheduled day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 1430.

7. DIVISIONS, CLASS FLAGS, INITIAL STARTING ORDER, AND VHF CHANNELS

7.1 Division, class flags, initial starting

order, and VHF channels will be defined in SI Addendum 1 which will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

7.2 Divisions will be identified by number and color to be described in SI Addendum 1.

7.3 The signal vessels for each division will fly the colored flag for their division each morning on the way to the starting area and until their first scheduled warning signal.

8. RACING AREA

8.1 The racing area will be the Chesapeake Bay. The general racing area of each division will be included in SI Addendum 1.

8.2 Approximately 30 minutes prior to the first scheduled warning signal, the race committee will announce the location of the anchored race committee signal vessel on VHF radio.

9. COURSES

9.1 The courses are as shown in the Course Diagrams and Descriptions.

9.2 Prior to the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel will announce on VHF radio the course to be sailed, the approximate distance between the leeward and windward marks, and the approximate compass bearing of the first leg of the course.

10. MARKS

10.1 Marks will be defined in SI Addendum 1.

10.2 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 13.2).

11. THE START

11.1 Races will be started using RRS 26.

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

11.3 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

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vessel at the port end.

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

11.5 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.

11.6 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.

12. RECALLS

The race committee will announce on VHF radio boats identified as OCS. 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) and RRS/US U5.

13. CHANGE OF POSITION OF THE NEXT MARK

13.1 The race committee may, without signal, move a mark to change the direction up to 10 degrees or the length up to 10% of the previous length, or adjust the angle or width of the leeward gate, provided that no boat is sailing to the mark.

13.2 The race committee may, when signaled in accordance with RRS 33, lay a new mark as described in SI Addendum 1 (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.

13.3 When flag Q is displayed with flag C, the change will apply only to boats beginning their final leg to the finish. This changes RRS 33 and Race Signals.

14. THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between the

staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee finishing vessel and either the course side of the nearby finishing mark or the staff displaying a blue flag on a race committee vessel on the other end.

15. PENALTY SYSTEM

15.1 US Sailing Prescription Appendix V – ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES will apply.

15.2 Penalties after racing: RRS Appendix T – ARBITRATION will apply.

16. TIME LIMIT

16.1 If no boat sails the course and finishes within 2 hours the race will be abandoned.

16.2 Boats failing to finish 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired, see Scoring) and should proceed to the starting area if another race is scheduled. The race committee boat at the finishing line will lower the blue shape or flag with a long sound signal when the 30-minute period has expired for all classes. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

17. HEARING REQUESTS

17.1 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the race committee signal boat docks. The time will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

17.2 Hearing request forms, scoring inquiry forms, and penalty acceptance forms can be found online at <https://annapolisyc.com/racing/raceoffice> or on the event website under General Race Forms. They shall be delivered to the race office by email to raceoffice@annapolisyc.org.

17.3 Hearing requests shall be delivered to the race office by the protest time limit.

17.4 When the race committee receives a scoring inquiry form, it will review its records and respond as soon as practicable. The time limit for requesting redress based on a scoring inquiry is 30 minutes after posting of the results of the scoring inquiry. Except on the last day of the event, if this time limit is after 2000

hours, it is extended to 0830 the following morning. This changes rule 62.2.

17.5 The protest committee intends to conduct hearings either in person at the AYC Sailing Center OR via tele- or video- conferencing. 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.

17.6 The race committee will post a list of race committee scoring actions no later than the protest time limit.

18. SCORING

18.1 One completed race shall constitute a series.

18.2 A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores without discard.

18.3 Boats to be scored TLE and not thereafter retiring, being penalized, or given redress will be scored points equal to the number of boats finishing within the time limit plus two points by the race committee without a hearing. This changes RRS A4.1, A4.2 and A5.

19. SAFETY REGULATIONS

19.1 [DP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as practicable.

19.2 RRS 40 (Personal Buoyancy) is replaced by: "It shall be the individual responsibility of each competitor to wear adequate personal buoyancy when conditions warrant."

19.3 [NP] 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.

19.4 The race committee or protest committee may protest a boat for breaking SI 18.3 based on information received from any source. The protest time limit does not apply. This changes RRS 60.2, 60.3, 61.3, and 63.6.

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20. RISK STATEMENT

20.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. The OA 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.

20.2 The Skipper/Owner of each boat participating in the regatta shall be responsible for the behavior of each member of the crew of his/her boat both on the water and while ashore. The destruction of property, the breach of reasonable standards of good sportsmanship by any crew member, or any other person associated with the boat, or the failure of any of those persons to comply with the state and local laws, guidelines and recommendations as well as the host club's restrictions or

with any reasonable request of the Organizing Authorities, Race Officers, Regatta Committee members, or their representatives, may result in the disqualification of the boat, and its exclusion from the regatta.

20.3 It is the skipper's obligation to ensure that each crew member's waiver is reflected on the waiver list prior to closing of on-site registration and check-in.

21. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$500,000 per incident or the equivalent. Competitors shall be prepared to supply proof of insurance upon request by the OA.

22. PRIZES

22.1 Prizes will be awarded, after racing on Sunday, to the top three finishers of each qualifying class.

22.2 Each class winner is eligible for the 2022 Helly Hansen Sailing World Caribbean Championship. The designated Challenger will be drawn at

the conclusion of the event.

22.3 Additional prizes may be awarded to the top Junior Team (under 21 years of age), and top Mixed Plus Team (50% + female) to the J/70 Class or any one-design class with a minimum of 12 boats registered.

23. PHOTOGRAPHERS AND TV RIGHTS

Competitors give absolute right and permission to the OA for any photographs or video footage taken of themselves or their competing boat to be published in any media whatsoever; for either editorial or advertising purposes, or to be used in press information.

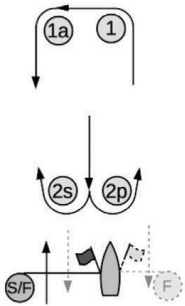
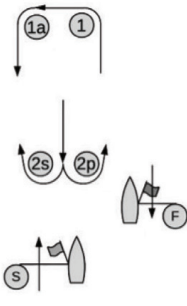
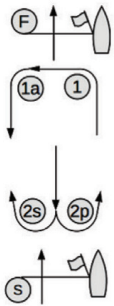
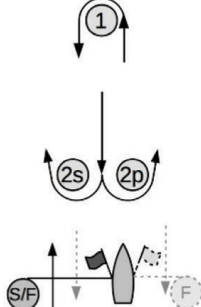
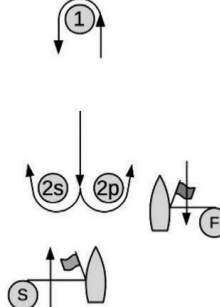
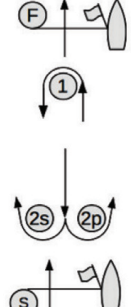
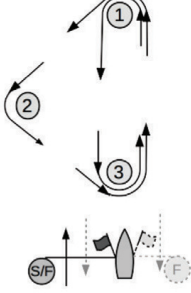
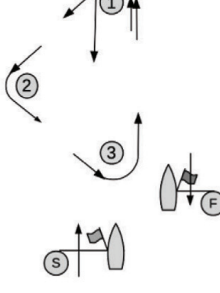
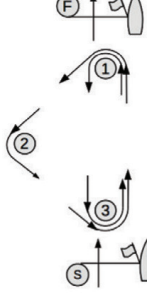
24. ENVIRONMENTAL

The Sailing World Regatta Series is working with Sailors for the Sea Powered by Oceana to become a certified Clean Regatta. Please bring your reusable water bottles, consider car-pooling, provision your boat to avoid single-use plastics, and keep the Bay clean.



COURSE DIAGRAMS AND DESCRIPTIONS

All marks except 2S are to be rounded to port. If there is only one mark at a leeward gate, that mark will be "2p" and shall be rounded to port. The color and shape of the marks will be as described in SI Addendum 1.

<p>LA</p> 	<p>LAF</p> 	<p>WA</p> 
<p>LA2: Start-1-1a-s/2p-1-1a-Finish LA3: Start-1-1a-s/2p-1-1a-2s/2p-1-1a-Finish</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>WA2: Start-1-1a-2s/2p-Finish WA3: Start-1-1a-2s/2p-1-1a-2s/2p-Finish</p>
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<p>TL2: Start-1-2-3-1-Finish TL3: Start-1-2-3-1-3-1-Finish</p>	<p>TL2F: Start-1-2-3-1-Finish TL3F: Start-1-2-3-1-3-1-Finish</p>	<p>TW2: Start-1-2-3-Finish TW3: Start-1-2-3-1-3-Finish</p>