



Naval Academy Sailing Fall Race to Cambridge

Saturday, September 7, 2024
CBYRA Sanction # 314

NOTICE OF RACE

The Organizing Authority (OA) is Naval Academy Sailing. The host is Navy Offshore Sailing.

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 means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

Including amendments 1 and 2:

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the Sailing Instructions (SIs), and this Notice of Race (NOR). **One Design boats and Handicap boats will be comply with their Class Rules, except where those rules are modified by the NOR, SI's or their local fleets.**
- 1.2. J105 Class Rules are modified by Article IX of the local J/105 Fleet-3 Article/Rules. This event is designated a Level 1A. J/105 Fleet-3 Articles/Rules can be found at <https://www.j105fleet3.org/rules>.
- 1.3. [DP] For all monohull boats competing, the "Nearshore" category of the US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements (SER, available at <https://www.ussailing.org/competition/offshore/safety-information/ser-world-sailing-special-regulations>) will apply as changed below.
 - (a) In the event of a conflict between the SER and applicable class rules, the class rules shall govern.
 - (b) The following SER will also apply:
 - SER 2.4.1, Lifelines
 - SER 3.24.1, Lights
 - SER 3.35, Rigging; Halyards
- 1.4. [DP] For all multihull boats competing, the "Nearshore" category of the US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements (SER, available at <https://www.ussailing.org/competition/offshore/safety-information/ser-world-sailing-specialregulations>) will apply as changed below.
 - (a) In the event of a conflict between the SER and applicable class rules, the class rules shall govern.
 - (b) The following SER will also apply:
 - SER 3.24.2, Lights
 - SER 3.35, Rigging; Halyards
- 1.5. RRS 40 is changed to require all competitors racing aboard any boat with two or less crew to wear personal flotation devices at all times when above deck.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. The Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be available on the notice board approximately 3 days before the first scheduled day of racing.

3. COMMUNICATIONS

- 3.1. The official notice board is electronic and will be located at [Yacht Scoring](#).
- 3.2. 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.
- 3.3. [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communication on channels 9, 13, 16, 68, 69, 70,71, and 72.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. Entries must be made through the event listing on [Yacht Scoring](#).
- 4.2. Entries will be accepted through Friday September 6th.
- 4.3. Entry is open to boats in the following classes: Alberg 30, J/30, J/105, PHRF, PHRF Cruising, **ORC Open, ORC Performance Cruiser**, CHESSS, CRCA Racer, CRCA Cruiser, and Multihull.
 - 4.3.1. Boats competing in a handicap class shall have a valid 2024 rating certificate submitted no later than Thursday, September 5th.
- 4.4. For a class to have a start, it must have a minimum of three (3) valid entries by 2359 on Thursday September 5th (see NoR 4.2).

4.4.1. To be considered a valid entry, a boat shall complete all registration requirements including the waiver, current rating certificate, and have paid all fees.

4.5. The OA will post assignments of boats in handicap fleets to starting classes no later than 1700 on Thursday, September 5th. The OA may change the assignment of a handicap boat's starting class until 1700 on Friday, September 6th.

5. FEES

5.1. Early registration and entry fee of \$65 (\$60/CBYRA members) are due by 1700 on Monday, September 2nd. After that, registration with an entry fee of \$75 (\$70/CBYRA members) will be accepted until 1200 on Friday, September 6th. Entry fees are non-refundable.

5.2. The entry fee includes racing and awards.

6. SCHEDULE & REGISTRATION

6.1. There is no onsite registration for boats competing.

6.2. The first warning signal for the race is scheduled for 0900. Classes will be started in approximate "reverse order" with slower classes starting first.

6.3. Competitors should expect to rendezvous in the vicinity of Thomas Point Lighthouse.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
Saturday	0800-0845 0900	On-the-Water Check-in w/ Race Committee First Warning Signal

7. VENUE

7.1. The racing area will be on the Chesapeake Bay, between the Thomas Point Lighthouse and the Choptank River.

7.2. The event venue will be Cambridge Yacht Club (CYC), 1 Mill Street, Cambridge, MD, 21613.

8. THE COURSE

8.1. Competitors will sail one (1) fixed mark course that will start near the Thomas Point Lighthouse and will finish at CYC. The specific course will be defined in the SIs.

8.2. The race committee may shorten the course by class at any of the rounding marks of the course.

8.3. The time limit for any class is 1900.

8.4. If one boat in a class finishes prior to the time limit, the race will be scored for that class.

9. SCORING

9.1. RRS Appendix A(A4 Low Point System), will apply as changed by the SIs.

9.2. Corrected times for PHRF classes will be calculated using PHRF Time-on-Time scoring.

10. DECISION TO RACE

10.1. Competitors participate in the Fall Race to Cambridge entirely at their own risk. RRS 3 DECISION TO RACE states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone." Attention is also drawn to RRS 46 PERSON IN CHARGE and Nearshore SER 1.2 RESPONSIBILITY.

11. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

11.1. As a condition of entry each skipper shall submit an online Liability Waiver prior to racing.

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

12. PRIZES

12.1. 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.

12.2. The Aloha Cup will be awarded to the best corrected time in all PHRF classes.

13. SOCIAL

13.1. Skippers, crews, and guests are invited by Cambridge Yacht Club for an a la carte dinner buffet, cash bar, an oyster bar, and live music Saturday afternoon and evening. Please visit the Cambridge Yacht Club website for tickets and more. www.cambridgeyachtclub.com/navy-fall-race

13.2. The NoR for the Hammond Race, to be held Sunday September 8th and hosted by Tred Avon Yacht Club, can be found here <https://theclubspot.com/regatta/UIMZaVzGt4>

14. **FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information, please contact the Navy Varsity Offshore Sailing Team office.

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