



HELLY HANSEN SAILING WORLD REGATTA SERIES ANNAPOLIS

including:

Alberg 30 Maple Leaf Trophy
J30 East Coast Championship
Viper 640 Atlantic Coast Championship
Youth Keelboat Series

Annapolis Yacht Club
Annapolis, MD
May 2 - 4, 2025

<https://www.sailingworld.com/regatta-series/>

NOTICE OF RACE

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.

1. RULES

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

1.2 All US One Design Class Rules apply with the following exceptions: • For the J/70 Class: Class Rules Part III Sections I.3 (Support Boat) and I.4 (Corinthian Division) will apply. [DP]

• 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>.

1.3 The US Sailing prescriptions to the preamble of Part 5, Section B and 63.1(b) shall not apply.

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

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board no later than Tuesday, April 29, 2025.

2.2 Amendments to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board located at: https://yachtscoring.com/notice_board_summary.cfm?eid=16896. It is the responsibility of each competitor to check the Official Notice Board for any amendments or notices.

3. COMMUNICATION

3.1 The Official Notice Board is located online at:

https://yachtscoring.com/notice_board_summary.cfm?eid=16896.

3.2 [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on US channels. This may change a class rule. Some classes may request an exemption from this requirement.

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. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1 The following boats are eligible to enter: a) member of a one-design class association whose class is invited and is in good standing with their class, b) ORC or PHRF (Saturday & Sunday Distance Races), A minimum of six boats is required for a class to be eligible for a one-design or ORC class. The OA reserves the right to invite additional classes at its sole discretion. Each class shall have a minimum of six paid entries no later than April 14.

4.2 Invited one design classes: Albacore, Alberg 30, Beneteau 36.7, C&C 30, Cal 25, Catalina 27, Ensign, Harbor 20, IC 37, J/22, J/24, J/30, J/35, J/70, J/80, J/88, J/105, J/109, J/111, Lightning, Melges 15, S2 7.9, Sonar, Viper 640, VX One, 29er and Waszp. ORC or PHRF for the (Saturday and Sunday) distance racing division. The OA reserves the right to add additional classes. Other classes that want to participate should contact the OA by email to regattas@sailingworld.com.

4.3 ORC entry is open to any boat of 24 feet LOA or greater that holds a valid 2025 ORC Club or ORCi certificate which must be on file by April 15, 2025. A boat sailing under ORC shall be assigned to a class according to its rating and at the discretion of the organizing authority. All decisions of the OA regarding class assignment are final.

4.4 The PHRF class is open to any boat over 20 feet LOA that holds a valid PHRF of the Chesapeake rating certificate. For more information, visit <http://www.phrfchesbay.org>.

4.5 Due to the number of classes anticipated at this event, classes may be started together but still scored separately.

4.6 The Owner and/or Skipper of an eligible one design class must be a current valid member of their one design class. The OA encourages all Owners, Skippers, and Crew to be a current member of their National Governing Body (US Sailing for USA members; to join, visit www.ussailing.org).

4.7 Entries shall be completed online at https://yachtscoring.com/event_registration_email.cfm?eid=16896.

4.8 Classes shall meet all eligibility requirements no later than April 14. Fees for new and incomplete entries after April 14 will increase by \$75.00, this includes any unpaid entries.

4.9 A representative of each eligible boat shall register with Sailing World in person at the AYC Sailing Center during the allotted registration time.

4.10 *Online waiver of liability:* *As part of the entry process on YachtScoring, all skippers and crew must complete the waiver of liability to be a valid entry. After you have completed your entry application on YachtScoring, please go to the "OWNER'S CORNER" Section and then "My Crew List" and input or select your crew names.*

Note: Skipper does count as 1 crew therefore the # of crew = # of people on board.

4.10 In the event your crew changes before the regatta, the skipper must edit the crew list online. Crew names shall be current and waivers signed for a boat to be scored. In the event of a crew member substitution during the regatta, the new crew member must submit a signed waiver of liability online prior to racing on that boat.

REGISTRATION DETAIL	DATE
Early Entry Opens for All Classes	November 24, 2024
Last call for Early Entry Discount - All Classes	By 2359hrs on April 5



Call for One Design Class Formation (6 boat min.)	By 2359hrs on April 14
Online Entry Closes	At 2359hrs on April 30
Registration	1630 - 1900 on May 1
Distance Race Registration	1700 - 1900 on May 2 0800 - 0900 on May 3

5. FEES

5.1 The entry fee will be based on the LOA as follows:

LOA	Early Entry Fees	Entry Fees after 4/5/25
up to 19'	\$220	\$295
20' - 24'	\$265	\$340
25' - 30'	\$300	\$375
31' - 40'	\$325	\$400
41' and over	\$350	\$425
Distance Race (Saturday & Sunday)	\$150	\$225

5.2 Visiting guests should pre-arrange guest cards with AYC for non-regatta activities. Guest cards may be picked up at the Main Clubhouse Front Desk located at 2 Compromise Street for use within the Main Clubhouse from May 1-4, 2025.

5.3 Entries may be accepted solely at the discretion of the OA. An entry is not valid until the entry form and fees are accepted by the organizing authority. To withdraw your entry, please email regattas@sailingworld.com no later than Monday, April 28. In the event that the regatta is canceled all entry fees will be credited less a \$25 administration fee.

5.4 The Regatta Social Pass fee is inclusive of appetizers on Friday, BBQ Dinner Buffet on Saturday, soft drinks and sponsored beverages. Social passes may be purchased in advance on the race website and include catering and staff costs, taxes and gratuity. Children of competitors under 18 may receive a complimentary pass.

6. ADVERTISING

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

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

6.3 Bow numbers may be required for some classes.



7. SCHEDULE OF RACES

7.1 As many races will be sailed as are viable on each scheduled day of racing. Except for the Wasp class, a maximum of ten races may be sailed for each class.

7.2 The first warning signal is scheduled for 1100 on Friday - Sunday. The Harbor 20 Class will sail only on Saturday and Sunday.

7.3 No warning signal will be made after 1500 on Sunday, May 4.

8. MEASUREMENT/WEIGH-IN

8.1 Measurement is not required, but each boat shall submit proof of holding a valid measurement certificate at registration if required by her class.

8.2 Neither SW nor AYC shall be responsible for conducting or administering weigh-ins or measurements. Local or national class association representatives shall be responsible for conducting weigh-ins and/or measurement if needed.

9. VENUE

Racing will take place on the Chesapeake Bay near Annapolis.

10. COURSES

The number of racing areas, specific locations, and courses to be sailed will be provided in the Sailing Instructions.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

11.1 RRS Appendix T- ARBITRATION, will apply.

11.2 US Sailing Prescription Appendix V1 - PENALTY AT THE TIME OF AN INCIDENT, will apply.

12. SCORING

Each boat's series score will be the sum of her scores for all races with no race scores excluded. One race will constitute a series.

13. RISK STATEMENT

13.1 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. SW and AYC, EYC and SSA 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.

13.2 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.

13.3 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.



14. INSURANCE

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

15. PRIZES

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

15.2 Each qualifying class winner is eligible for the 2025 Helly Hansen Sailing World Regatta Series Championship held in the British Virgin Islands in October 2025. The designated Challenger will be drawn from the class winners at the conclusion of the event

15.3 Class Trophy: Boats in classes participating in three or more events of the Series will qualify for the **Sailing World Regatta Series Class Champion award**, which will be based on cumulative race scores from three events:

- (i) The same boat must be used in all three events
- (ii) The helmsperson must be the same for all three events
- (iii) A boat's series score will be the total of her points in her three best events. If there is a tie between two or more boats, each boat's finishing position in her three best events will be listed in order of best to worst. At the first point(s) where there is a difference, the tie shall be broken in favor of the boat(s) with the best score(s). If a tie remains between two or more boats, they shall be ranked in order of their last qualifying event.

15.4 Additional prizes may be awarded to the top **Youth Team** (under 21 years of age), and top **Mixed Plus Team** (50% + female) in any one-design class with a minimum of 12 boats registered.

16. BERTHING/HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

16.1 Annapolis space for trailers is limited. Skippers are responsible for arranging plans if launching and storage is needed. Fleet allocation and contact information is below. Fees may apply and are the responsibility of the Skipper. Please register for the regatta, then secure your trailer/dolly space directly with the venue. Space is limited.

- (a) Annapolis YC Sailing Center (510 Severn Avenue) intends to host Melges 15, J/70, J/80, Sonar, and Harbor 20. Contact AYC Dockmaster: 410-320-4304, or dockmaster@annapolisyc.org
- (b) Eastport YC (317 First Street) intends to host Viper 640 and Melges 15. Contact Waterfront Manager, Preston Senior waterfront@eastportyc.org.
- (c) Severn Sailing Association (311 First Street) intends to host J/22, J/24, J/70, 29er and Waszp. Contact SSA Office Manager: office@severnsailing.org.
- (d) Annapolis Sailing School (7001 Bembe Beach Rd) intends to host Albacores. Paid storage may be available to other dinghies and keelboats as space permits. Contact Annapolis Sailing School: 410-267-7205.
- (e) Space is limited. Refer to the Notice Board for Storage details.

17. 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.



18. ENVIRONMENTAL

The Regatta Series is continuing to work with Sailors for the Sea Powered by Oceana to maintain Silver Level certified Clean Regatta. Please bring your reusable water bottles, consider car-pooling, and provision your boat with limited no single-use plastics. Visit www.sailorsforthesea.org to learn more.

19. REGATTA CONTACT

For further information please contact:

Sailing World Regatta Series

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<https://www.sailingworld.com/regatta-series/>