



2019 AYC Fall Race to Solomons Saturday September 21, 2019

CBYRA Sanction #357

Organizing Authority: Annapolis Yacht Club,
Annapolis, Maryland, USA

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

NOTICE OF RACE including Amendment No. 1

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.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 [DP] 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 modified 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 2.7.2, Mechanical Propulsion
 - SER 3.14, GPS Receiver
 - SER 3.22, Soft plugs for through hull fittings
 - SER 3.24.1, Lights
 - SER 3.26, Radar reflector
 - SER 3.35, Rigging: Halyards

2 COMMUNICATIONS

- 2.1 The official notice board is electronic and located at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=6232>.
- 2.2 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.
- 2.3 [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channels 9, 13, 16, 68, 69, 70, 71, and 72.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 Boats in the CRCA, J/105, Multihull A&B, ORC, and PHRF classes are invited to participate.
- 3.2 Boats in PHRF and ORC classes will start and race together but will be scored under their respective rating systems. Starting classes will be based on PHRF ratings using Region IIIAW splits. Boats with both PHRF and ORC ratings shall pay only one entry fee to be entered and dual-scored in both classes.
- 3.3 Boats in ORC will be scored as a single combined fleet.
- 3.4 For a class to have a start, it must have a minimum of 5 paid entries by 1200 on Friday, September 20. Entry fees for boats in classes that fail to meet the minimum will be returned.

- 3.5 Boats wishing to enter shall register on line at: <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=6232>.
- 3.6 Boats in the CRCA class shall be members of the Chesapeake Racer Cruiser Association and have a valid CRCA rating. CRCA class administration will review CRCA entries and will assign boats sub-classes. No sub-class will have less than five boats. These assignments will be made solely by the CRCA class administration and provided to the OA. The OA will post the class divisions in the sailing instructions.
- 3.7 Boats in the Multihull classes shall have a valid rating from the Chesapeake Multihull Association. For more information, visit <http://www.chesapeakemultihulls.org>.
- 3.8 Boats in an ORC class shall have a valid ORCi or ORC Club certificate. For more information, visit <http://www.orc.org>. ORC Club certificates may be obtained by applying online at <http://www.orc.org/clubapplication>.
- 3.9 Boats in a PHRF class shall have a valid PHRF of the Chesapeake rating. For more information, visit <http://www.phrfchesbay.org>.
- 3.10 To be considered an entry in the regatta, a boat shall complete all registration steps and pay all fees.

4 FEES

- 4.1 Registration and entry fee of \$45 are due by 1700 on Monday, September 9. After that, registrations with an additional late fee of \$25 will be accepted until 1200 on Friday, September 20. **Entry fees are payable in full upon registering and are non-refundable.**
- 4.2 The entry fee includes, at a minimum, racing and awards. Additional details will be included on the event website or in the sailing instructions.

5 CLASS FLAGS

- 5.1 All boats shall clearly display a class flag at the stern (approximately 5 feet up on the backstay if the boat has a backstay). The class flags are as follows:

| Class | Class flag |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| CRCA Cruiser | White flag |
| CRCA Non-Spin | White flag |
| CRCA Racer Cruiser | Green flag |
| CRCA Pocket Cruiser | Green flag |
| PHRF Non-Spin | Pennant 5 |
| PHRF C/D | Pennant 7 |
| Multihull A | Flag W |
| Multihull B | Flag F |
| PHRF B | Pennant 6 |
| PHRF A2 | Pennant 2 |
| J/105 | Flag V |
| PHRF A0/A1 | Pennant 9 |
| ORC | Flag of starting PHRF class |

6 SCHEDULE

- 6.1 The warning signal for the first class to start is scheduled for 0930. Classes will be started in approximate "reverse order" with slower classes starting first.
- 6.2 A post-race regatta and awards party will be held after racing in the courtyard at the Holiday Inn in Solomon's Island with cash bar and a la carte food.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1 The SIs will be posted on the notice board by 1700 on Tuesday, August 27.

8 VENUE

- 8.1 The race will be a point-to-point race using government marks from Annapolis, MD to Solomon's Island, MD.
- 8.2 The regatta venue at the finish will be the Holiday Inn Solomons-Conference Center & Marina.

9 THE COURSES

- 9.1 The start will be at or near G/R can "SR".
- 9.2 After starting, the following marks shall be rounded or passed in the following order:
- Bloody Pt. Warning Light (LLNR 7751), passed to port,
 - R"84", passed to port,
 - Sharps Island Light passed to port,
 - G"77", rounded to starboard.
- 9.3 The finish will be at Patuxent River entrance mark "3".
- 9.4 The race committee may shorten the course at any rounding mark. Boats shall sail near marks that are to be "rounded" in NoR 9.2 above.

- 9.5 There is no race time limit. While most boats will finish in daylight, boats should be prepared for the possibility for finishing after sunset.

10 SCORING

- 10.1 RRS Appendix A4, Low Point System, will apply as changed by the SIs.
- 10.2 Corrected times for PHRF classes will be calculated using PHRF Time-on-Time scoring. The A and B factors will be specified in the sailing instructions. The race committee will announce the course type rating ("Handicap (Spinnaker)" or "Random Course Handicap (Spinnaker)") on VHF radio prior to the warning signal for a race.
- 10.3 Corrected times for ORC classes will be calculated using ORC Time-on-Time Triple Number ratings. The race committee will announce the course type ("Inshore/Windward Leeward" or "Coastal/Long Distance") and the wind speed rating (Low, Medium, or High) on VHF radio prior to the warning signal for a race.
- 10.4 Corrected times for CRCA classes will be calculated using handicaps supplied by the CRCA class administration based upon course type and predicted wind strength. These handicaps will be determined solely by the CRCA class and will be posted no later than 60 minutes prior to the first scheduled warning signal.

11 PRIZES

- 11.1 Prizes will be given to the top 3 boats in each class.
- 11.2 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organizing authority.

12 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 12.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority 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 INSURANCE

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

14 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 14.1 Non-AYC members may organize guest cards at the front desk of the AYC Clubhouse.
- 14.2 For more information contact:
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