



Screwpile Lighthouse Challenge Regatta

September 27th and 28th, 2020

NOTICE OF RACE, Amendment #1

CBYRA Sanction #s, 332 & 333

To accommodate this event under the current circumstances of Covid-19, this amendment #1 replaces the original Notice of Race (NOR) in its entirety. The customary Screwpile tent parties and awards ceremonies are cancelled for this year.

The Organizing Authority of the Screwpile Lighthouse Challenge 2020 (Screwpile) is the Southern Maryland Sailing Association, Inc. (SMSA). Event & Race management will be conducted by the Screwpile Regatta Executive Committee. Racing will be held at the mouth of the Patuxent River.

1. RULES: The regatta shall be governed by the 'rules' as defined in 2017 - 2020 The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) except as modified by the Sailing Instructions and this Notice of Race.

2. ELIGIBILITY: Screwpile is open to mono-hull boats racing under PHRF, CRCA Racer/Cruiser handicap, and One-Design class rules. All PHRF boats shall submit a valid 2020 PHRF Chesapeake rating certificate. One-Design competitors must be members of their respective class associations. Entrants who register in the Cruiser class who do not possess an ORR-Ez certificate will be given a courtesy rating by the Race Committee. Entries will only be accepted from an Owner or Skipper who is a current member of US Sailing; to join call 1-800-877-2451.

3. CLASSES: The regatta is open to boats in the following handicap divisions or one-design classes: PHRF classes: A1, A2, B, C; the Melges 24, J/105, J/35, and J/70 one design classes are invited. Other handicap divisions or classes may be added at the discretion of the organizing authority if five (5) or more boats register for that division or class. A special Cruising Fleet will be offered which will include two CRCA (Chesapeake Racer Cruiser Association) classes. Racer/Cruisers should self-identify as "Experienced" racers or "Novice" racers upon registration (to be confirmed by the OA). Contact Jay Tyson for more information on CRCA @ jay.tyson@yahoo.com or 813 220-1584.

4. ENTRY PROCEDURES: Boats wishing to enter the Screwpile Lighthouse Challenge regatta shall register on line at: <http://www.screwpile.net>. To be considered a valid entry in Screwpile, complete all registration steps, and pay all fees. Deadline for entries is Thursday September 17th. Entries received after that time must include a late fee of \$25.00. No entries will be accepted after Thursday September 24th, 2020. The entry fees for all classes is \$65.00.

5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS: The preliminary Sailing Instructions will be available on or about September 6th, 2020 on the official web page <http://www.screwpile.net>. The final SIs will be available on-line on September 24th.

6. Communications: The official notice board is electronic and will be located at https://yachtscoring.com/notice_board_summary.cfm. On the water, the race committee intends to make broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The specific channel will be stated in the SIs. All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channels 9, 13, 16, 68, 69, 70, 71, and 72.

7. RACING AND COURSES: Racing will be conducted for all classes on September 27th and 28th, 2020. For PHRF and One-Design classes, racing will consist of multiple windward / leeward races. The Cruising Class will sail one pursuit/ middle-distance course per day. The warning signal for the PHRF/OD classes for the first race on both days is scheduled for 1030. For the Cruising classes, the start will be 1200 on Sunday and 1030 on Monday.

8. PENALTY SYSTEM: Boats may take either a Two-Turn Penalty or the Scoring Penalty. The minimum will be 2 places. This changes RRS 44.1 and 44.3.

9. SCORING:

9.1 The Low point Scoring System of Appendix A of the Racing Rules of Sailing will apply, as modified. Each boat's total score will be the sum of her scores for all races. There shall be no throw outs. One race constitutes a series.

9.2 Boats still racing that do not finish within 45 minutes of the first boat finishing in their class will be scored "Time Limit Expired (TLE)" which is the number of finishers plus two. Others will be scored DNF (Did Not Finish). This changes RRS 35, A4.1, A4.2 and A5

10. ARBITRATION: For protests involving the rules of Part 2 an arbitration hearing may be held prior to the protest hearing. Protest hearings will be held on-line as described in the SIs.

11. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS: All boats must be wet sailed during the Regatta.

12. AWARDS: Daily class awards will be determined on the combined scores for the day. Overall class series awards, daily awards and Best Overall Boat of the Regatta, will be delivered after the completion of the regatta. In view of CDC Covid-19 guidelines regarding social distancing, the customary tent parties and awards ceremonies are cancelled for 2020.

13. MEDIA RIGHTS: Competitors give permission for video footage or photographs of themselves or their boat to be published in any media. Commercial video or photographs must be licensed and approved by the Screwpile Committee 2020.

14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY: Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

15. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: For further information please contact:

James Keen, Regatta Chairman at 240 925-1173 or chairman@screwpile.net

Information is also available online at <http://www.screwpile.net>

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