



# 2021 Fall Race to Solomons Saturday September 25, 2021

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

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

## NOTICE OF RACE (NoR) inc. Amendment No. 1 & 2

*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 of the SIs or NoR means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).*

### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 [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 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
- 1.3 [DP] For all multihull boats competing, the "Nearshore" category of the US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements (SER, available at <https://cdn.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/Multihull-SER-Categories-2020.0.pdf>) 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 2.7.2, 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
- 1.4 RRS 40 is changed to require all competitors racing aboard any boat which is being double handed 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 10 days before the first scheduled day of racing.

### 3 COMMUNICATIONS

- 3.1 The official notice board is electronic and will be located at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=14303>
- 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 communicating on channels 9, 13, 16, 68, 69, 70, 71, and 72.

### 4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 Boats in the Multihull, CRCA, J/35, J/105, PHRF, PHRF Non-Spinnaker, ORC, ORC Double Handed and ORC Cruiser classes are invited to participate.
- 4.2 For a class to have a start, it must have a minimum of 5 paid entries by 1200 on Friday, September 24. Entry fees for boats in classes that fail to meet the minimum will be returned.
- 4.3 Boats wishing to enter shall register online at: <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=14303>
- 4.4 To be considered an entry in the regatta, a boat shall complete all registration steps including the waiver and pay all fees.
- 4.6 Boats in the CRCA class shall be members of the Chesapeake Race Cruiser Association and have a valid CRCA rating.
- 4.7 Boats in the Multihull classes shall have a valid rating from the Chesapeake Multihull Association. For more information, visit <http://www.chesapeakemultihulls.org>.

- 4.8 Boats in an ORC class shall have a current valid ORCi or ORC Club rating certificate. For more information, visit <http://www.ussailing.org>. By entering ORC Cruising, competitors affirm that they have met all requirements for the ORC Cruising Division. A copy of the requirements is available under the “Documents and Forms” section of the official event page <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=14303> The OA will post assignments of boats in the ORC fleet to starting classes no later than 1700 on Wednesday, September 23. The OA may change the assignment of an ORC boat’s starting class until 1700 on Friday, September 24.
- 4.9 Boats in a PHRF or PHRF Non-Spinnaker class shall have a valid PHRF of the Chesapeake rating certificate. For more information, visit <http://www.phrfchesbay.org>.
- 4.10 The OA will post assignments of boats in handicap fleets to starting classes no later than 1700 on Wednesday, September 23. The OA may change the assignment of a handicap boat’s starting class until 1700 on Friday, September 24.

## 5 FEES

- 5.1 Early registration and entry fee of \$55 are due by 1700 on Tuesday, September 14. After that, registrations with an entry fee of \$80 will be accepted until 1200 on Friday, September 24. Entry fees are non-refundable.
- 5.2 The entry fee includes, at a minimum, racing and awards.

## 6 SCHEDULE

- 6.1 The first warning signal for the race is scheduled for 0930. Classes will be started in approximate “reverse order” with slower classes starting first.

## 7 VENUE

- 7.1 The race will be a point-to-point race using government marks from Thomas Point, Annapolis, MD to Solomons, MD.

## 8 THE COURSE

- 8.1 The start will be at or near G/R can “SR” located near and east of Thomas Point Light.
- 8.2 After starting, the following marks shall be rounded or passed in the following order:
- (a) Bloody Pt. Warning Light (LLNR 7751), passed to port,
  - (b) R”84”, passed to port,
  - (c) Sharps Island Light passed to port,
  - (d) G”77”, rounded to starboard.
- 8.3 The finish will be near the entrance to the Patuxent River as detailed in the SIs.
- 8.4 The race committee may shorten the course at rounding mark G”77”.
- 8.5 There is no time limit. While most boats will finish in daylight, boats should be prepared for the possibility of finishing after sunset.

## 9 SCORING

- 9.1 RRS Appendix 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. The A and B factors will be specified in the SIs. The race committee will assign the course type rating on race day as detailed in the SIs.
- 9.3 Corrected times for ORC and ORC Double Handed classes will be calculated using ORC Time-on-Time ratings. The race committee will assign the course type rating on race day as detailed in the SIs. The race committee will assign the course type and wind strength for handicapping purposes on race day as detailed in the SI’s.
- 9.4 Corrected times for CRCA classes will be calculated using handicaps supplied by the CRCA class administration as detailed in the SIs.
- 9.5 Corrected times for Multihull classes will be calculated using Time-on-Time ratings in accordance with the Chesapeake Multihull Association.

## 10 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 10.1 RRS 3 states: ‘The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue *racing* is hers alone.’

## 11 INSURANCE

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

## 12 PRIZES

- 12.1 Prizes will be given in each class for 1<sup>st</sup> place with 3 or more starters (boats starting in at least one race), 2<sup>nd</sup> place with 6 or more starters, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place with 9 or more starters.
- 12.2 The OA anticipates that the following perpetual trophies will be awarded (as further described in the SIs):
- (a) Pavana Trophy: best overall corrected time in ORC.
  - (b) America’s Trophy: this event will be part of AYC’s season series for overall performance in ORC.
- 12.3 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organizing authority.

## 1 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 1.1 For more information contact AYC Harborside Director: Linda Ambrose, [lambrose@annapolisyc.org](mailto:lambrose@annapolisyc.org), 410.858.4964.