

2022 Harbor 20 Class Championship September 8-11, 2022

Organizing Authority: Annapolis Yacht Club, Annapolis, Maryland, USA http://www.annapolisyc.com/racing/regattas



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS including Amendments No. 1, 2 & 3

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the notice of race (NoR) or sailing instructions (SIs) 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 NoR or SIs 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 Appendix T will apply.

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board which is electronic and located at: https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?elD=14897
- 3.2 The race office can be reached by email at <u>raceoffice@annapolisyc.org</u> 410-858-4964. Forms can be found online at <u>https://www.annapolisyc.com/racing/raceoffice</u>.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors via VHF radio on channel 72. This includes announcements and confirmation of race committee signals before, during, and after racing.
- 3.4 [DP] 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.

4 CODE OF CONDUCT

4.1 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals flown ashore will be flown from the flagpole at the AYC Clubhouse.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, the approximate time of the next warning signal will be announced to all competitors before it is removed.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1

DAY 1	1000- 1800	On-site Registration
Thursday Sept 8	1300	Practice Race
	1800	Competitors Briefing - AYC Sailing Center

DAY 2 Friday Sept 9	1100 1830	First Warning (3 races scheduled) Competitor Dinner - AYC Main Clubhouse
DAY 3 Saturday Sept 10	1100	First Warning Signal. (4 races scheduled) Free night to enjoy Annapolis
DAY 4 Sunday Sept 11	1000 After Racing	First Warning Signal. (A maximum of 4 races is scheduled) Awards Ceremony - AYC Main Clubhouse

- 6.2 Ten (10) races are scheduled.
- 6.3 There will be no warning signal after 1530 on the last day of the regatta.

7 CLASS FLAGS

7.1 The class flag will be the Harbor 20 Class Flag.

8 RACING AREA

8.1 The racing area will be in the Chesapeake Bay off the mouth of the Severn River as shown in SI Attachment1.

9 COURSES

- 9.1 The courses are described in SI Attachment 2.
- 9.2 Prior to the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel will announce on VHF radio the course to be sailed, the approximate distance between the leeward and windward marks, and the approximate compass bearing of the first leg of the course.

10 MARKS

10.1 Starting marks, finishing marks, will be lime green cylinders or green Marksetbot. Mark 1a will be an orange cylinder. All other marks of the course will be orange cylinders. New marks used in accordance with SI 12 will be orange cylinders with a dark colored band.

11 THE START

- 11.1 Races will be started using RRS 26.
- 11.2 The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starting vessel and the course side of the pin end starting mark.
- 11.3 The race committee will announce on VHF radio boats identified as OCS, UFD, or BFD. A boat may not base a request for redress on the failure to hear or receive the announcements, the timeliness of announcement or the order in which boats are announced. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 11.4 A boat that does not start within 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

13 THE FINISH

- 13.1 The finishing line is between a staff displaying a blue flag on the finishing vessel and the course side of the finishing mark.
- 13.2 For downwind finishes on Course LA, the finishing line will be on the *same* side of the race committee as the starting line.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 14.1 Penalties while racing: RRS/US Appendix V1, Penalty at the time of the incident, will apply.
- 14.2 Penalties after racing: RRS/US Appendix V2, Penalty Taken After the Race, will apply.

15 TIME LIMITS

- 15.1 The Mark 1 Time Limit will be 30 minutes. If no boat has passed the first mark within the Mark 1 Time Limit, the race will be abandoned.
- 15.2 The Race Time Limit (see RRS 35) will be 90 minutes.
- 15.3 The Finishing Window will be 15 minutes. The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat in a class sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. A boat scored TLE shall be scored points for the finishing place two more than the points scored by the last boat that finished within the Finishing Window. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.

16 HEARING REQUESTS

- 16.1 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the race committee Signal Boat docks. The time will be posted on the official notice board.
- 16.2 Hearing request forms, scoring inquiry forms, and penalty acceptance forms can be found online at https://www.annapolisyc.com/racing/raceoffice.
- 16.3 Scoring Inquiries and Penalty Acceptance forms shall be filed by email with the Race Office (see SI 3.2).
- 16.4 Hearing requests shall be filed by email with the Race Office or delivered to the Protest Desk on the 3rd floor of the AYC Sailing Center by the protest time limit. See RRS 61.3
- 16.5 When the race committee receives a scoring inquiry form, it will review its records and respond as soon as practicable.
- 16.6 The protest committee will post a notice to inform competitors of the schedule and location of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
- 16.7 The race committee will post a list of race committee scoring actions no later than the protest time limit.
- 16.8 RRS 62.2(a) and 66.2(a) do not apply.

17 SCORING

- 17.1 The scoring system is the Low Point System in RRS Appendix A.
- 17.2 Four (4) races are required to be completed to constitute a regatta.
 - (a) When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - (b) When five (5) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 17.3 RRS A5.3 applies.

18 [DP] SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 18.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee or race office (see SI 3) at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 18.2 A boat without way may use any means of propulsion to avoid commercial traffic that is under way provided: (a) the boat does not gain an advantage; (b) using the propulsion is the boat's only means of

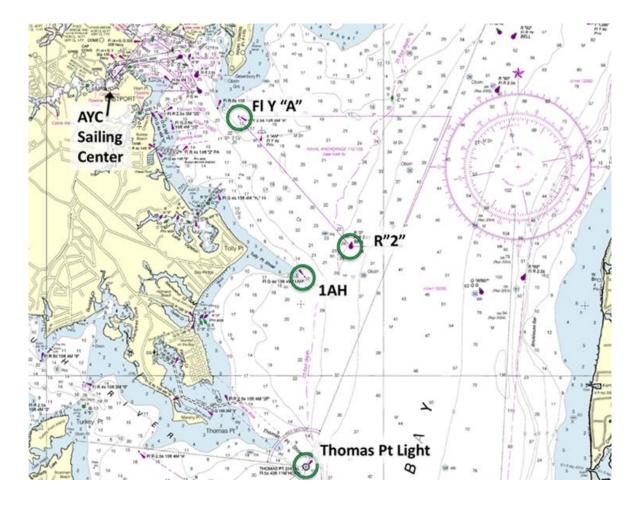
avoiding the commercial traffic; and (c) the boat submits a report (in writing or by e-mail) with the event's race office (see SI 3) by the protest filing deadline describing the incident and the boat's actions.

- 18.3 A boat shall not exercise right of way, cross in proximity to, or interfere with reasonable transit of the race area by commercial ships, tugs, or barges. Boats must take evasive action well in advance of a potentially dangerous situation. The US Coast Guard, ship captains, and bay pilots have been encouraged to report any incident they observe.
- 18.4 The race committee or protest committee may protest a boat for breaking SI 18.2 or 18.3 based on information received from any source. The protest time limit does not apply. This changes RRS 60.2, 60.3, and 61.3.

19 PRIZES

- 19.1 The Arthur Strock Harbor 20 National Championship Trophy will be engraved with the name of the top finisher.
- 19.2 Trophies will be awarded to the top three finishers.
- 19.3 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

SI ATTACHMENT 1 - RACE AREA FOR DROP MARKS RACES



SI ATTACHMENT 2 - DROP MARKS COURSES

In the below table, the course designation is followed by the mark rounding order for that course. All marks except 2S are to be rounded to port. If the race committee announces on VHF radio that a gate will not be used, then mark 2S will not be set. The marks are described in SI 10. The starting line is described in SI 11. The finishing line is described in SI 13.

