

87th AYC Annual Regatta July 22-23, 2023

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

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the sailing instructions (SIs) or 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 For ORC. ORC Racer-Cruiser, and ORC Cruiser only: the "Nearshore" category of the US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements (available at https://www.ussailing.org/competition/offshore/safety-information/ser-world-sailing-special-regulations) will apply.
- 1.3 ORC, ORC Racer-Cruiser, and ORC Cruiser class rules are modified by ORC of the Chesapeake and can be found at http://www.orcches.org.
- 1.4 J/105 Class Rules are modified by Article IX of the local J-105 Fleet-3 Article/Rules. This event is designated a Level 1A event. J/105 Fleet-3 Articles/Rules can be found at https://www.i105fleet3.org/rules

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 Any change to the SIs will be posted no later than 2 hours before the first scheduled warning signal 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

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board which is electronic and located at: https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=15658.
- 3.2 The race office can be reached by telephone at 410-858-4964 or by email at raceoffice@annapolisyc.org Forms can be found online at https://annapolisyc.com/racing/raceoffice.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors via VHF radio on channel 72 for the Bay Courses and channel 73 for the River Course. This includes announcements and confirmation of race committee signals before, during, and after racing.
- 3.4 For the Government mark race on Saturday, the race committee will post the course to be sailed on the Official Notice Board and also share via email.

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 flagpole at the AYC Clubhouse.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, the approximate time of the next warning signal will be posted on the notice board before it is removed.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1 Racing dates are as follows:

(a)Saturday, (Bay Course): ORC, ORC Racer/Cruiser, ORC Cruiser, and J/105

(b)Sunday, (Bay Course): Alberg 30, J/22, Cal 25, J/30, J/70, J/80, and Viper 640

(c)Sunday, (River Course): Harbor 20

- 6.2 The warning signal for the first race of the regatta is scheduled for 1000 for ORC Racer/Cruiser and ORC Cruiser Classes on Saturday, July 22. The warning signal for all other classes will be at 1100 on both Saturday and Sunday.
- 6.3 Two drop mark races are scheduled for ORC and three drop mark races are scheduled J/105s on Saturday only. ORC Racer-Cruiser and ORC Cruiser classes will sail one Government Mark race on Saturday. Three drop mark races are scheduled for all Classes sailing on Sunday.
- 6.4 No warning signal will be made after 1530.

7 CLASS FLAGS

7.1 The class flags are:

Class Class flag		Class Class flag		Class Class flag				
J/22	7		Alberg 30	G		ORC I	1	
J/30	D		Cal 25	Т		ORC II	2	
J/70	6		Harbor 20	W		ORC III	3	-
J/80	J		Viper 640		V	ORC Cruiser		Green Flag
J/105	4	H				ORC Racer/Cruiser		White Flag

7.2 Boats in ORC Classes shall clearly display their class flag near the stern (preferably backstay not less than six feet above the deck).

8 RACING AREA

- 8.1 The racing area will be in the Severn River and Chesapeake Bay off the mouth of the Severn River as shown in SI Attachment 1.
- 8.2 Approximately 60 minutes prior to the first scheduled warning signal, the race committee will announce the approximate location of the starting area on VHF radio.
- 8.3 Approximately 30 minutes prior to the first scheduled warning signal, the race committee will announce the location of the race committee signal vessel.

9 THE COURSES

- 9.1 The ORC and J105 classes (Saturday) and all classes sailing on Sunday will use drop-marks courses as shown in SI Attachment 2.
- 9.2 The ORC Racer-Cruiser and ORC Cruiser classes will have only one race on Saturday using Government marks as shown in SI Attachment 3.
- 9.3 Prior to the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel will announce on VHF radio the course to be sailed. For drop marks races, this will include the approximate distance between the leeward and windward marks, and the approximate compass bearing of the first leg of the course. For Government marks races, this will include the rounding marks and rounding side.
- 9.4 Prior to the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel may announce on VHF radio that the first mark will be a change mark (see SI 10).

10 MARKS

- 10.1 FOR SATURDAY AND SUNDAY BAY COURSE (Drop Marks Courses):
 - (a) The starting mark will be either a green cylinder or green Marksetbot.
 - (b) The finishing mark will be a green cylinder.
 - (b) Marks 1, 2s, 2p will be orange cylinders or Marksetbots.
 - (c) Mark 1a will be a green cylinder.
 - (d) Change marks used in accordance with SI 13 will orange with black band, or yellow cylinders.

(e) When the first mark of the course is to be a change mark, the race committee signal vessel will display flag "C" over a colored flag prior to or with the warning signal and make several short sound signals. See SI 13 for further details.

10.2 FOR SUNDAY RIVER COURSE:

- (a) The start and finishing marks will be an orange cylinder.
- (b) Mark 1 and 1a will be yellow cylinders.
- (c) Marks 2s and 2p will be orange cylinders.
- (d) Change marks used in accordance with SI 13 will be short yellow cylinders with a dark colored band.

10.3 For SATURDAY GOVERNMENT MARKS COURSE:

- (a) The rounding marks will use CBYRA Region III Standard Race Marks as described SI Attachment 3.
- (b) Government marks "1AH" (off Tolly Point), R"4" (off Greenbury Point), Thomas Point Light and the Bloody Point Warning Light (LLNR 7751) shall be passed on the channel side at all times.
- 10.4 A race committee starting or finishing vessel may set a stand-off buoy. When present, this stand-off buoy, the line attaching it to the race committee vessel, and the race committee vessel are all part of the starting or finishing mark.

11 THE START

- 11.1 Approximately 120 minutes before the warning signal, the race committee will post the starting order for the first race of the day on the notice board.
- 11.2 For the Bay Courses, races will be started using RRS 26. For the River Course, races will be started using RRS/US Appendix U, Audible-Signal Racing System, with all hails being made by VHF radio.
- 11.3 Prior to the warning signal, the race committee will announce the next class to start on VHF radio.
- 11.4 The starting line will be between the staff or halyard displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal vessel at the starboard end, and either the course side of the starting mark or the staff or halyard displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel at the port end.
- 11.5 [DP] Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other classes.
- 11.6 A boat that does not start within 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

12 RECALLS

12.1 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).

13 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

13.1 RRS 33, Race Signals C, is changed to "Flag C over a colored flag: the position of the next mark has been changed. Go to a mark of the same color as the colored flag." The race committee will display one of the following colored flags: Yellow, Green, Orange, or Orange with a black band.

14 THE FINISH

14.1 The finishing line will be between a staff or halyard displaying a blue flag on the race committee finishing vessel and the course side of the finishing mark. For the Bay Course, the finishing mark will be on the OPPOSITE side of the signal boat as the starting line. For the River Course, the finishing mark will be the same as the starting mark.

15 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 15.1 Penalties while racing: RRS 44.1, One-Turn and Two-Turns Penalties will apply.
- 15.2 Penalties after racing: RRS/US Appendix V2, Penalty Taken After the Race, will apply.

16 TIME LIMITS

16.1 The Mark 1 Time Limits, Race Time Limits, and Finishing Windows are (in minutes):

Class, Race	Mark 1 Time Limit	Race Time Limit	Finishing Window	
All Sunday classes	30	90	15	
J/105 (Saturday)	30	120	15	

ORC (Saturday)	30	120	None
ORC Racer-Cruiser	120	240	None
ORC Cruiser	120	240	None

- 16.2 If no boat has passed the first mark within the Mark 1 Time Limit, the race will be abandoned.
- 16.3 The Race Time Limit is the time limit for the first boat in each class to sail the course and finish. If no boat finishes within the Race Time Limit, the race will be abandoned.
- 16.4 The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat 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. This changes RRS 35, A4, A5 and A11.

17 PROTESTS, REQUESTS FOR REDRESS, SCORING INQUIRIES

- 17.1 Protest forms, scoring inquiry forms, and penalty acceptance forms shall be delivered to the race office by email (see SI 3.2).
- 17.2 Protests, requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the race office by email by the protest time limit.
- 17.3 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the race committee signal vessel docks. The race committee will post the protest time limit.
- 17.4 As soon as practicable after a protest is filed, 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.
- 17.5 When the race committee receives a scoring inquiry form, it will review its records and respond as soon as practicable.
- 17.6 The race committee will post a list of race committee scoring actions no later than the protest time limit.
- 17.7 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).

18 SCORING

- 18.1 RRS Appendix A4, Low Point System, will apply.
- 18.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 18.3 A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 18.4 Corrected times for the ORC classes will be calculated using ORC Time-on-Time ratings. The race committee will determine the proper course type and the wind speed rating prior to scoring the race.
- 18.5 Boats to be scored TLE will be scored points equal to the number of boats finishing within the finishing window plus two points by the race committee without a hearing but no worse than the number of entries. This changes RRS A4.2 and A5.

19 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 19.1 [DP] A boat that retires from a race, or leaves the racing area between races, shall notify the race office (see SI 3) at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 19.2 [NP] [DP] 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.
- 19.3 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) use of the propulsion is the boat's only means of avoiding the commercial traffic; and (c) the boat submits a report to the race office (in writing or by e-mail to raceoffice@annapolisyc.org) by the protest filing deadline describing the incident and the boat's actions.
- 19.4 The race committee or protest committee may protest a boat for SI 19.2 based on information received from any source. A written statement from the US Coast Guard, a ship captain, or a bay pilot will be accepted as evidence without the author present. The protest time limit does not apply. This changes RRS 60.2, 60.3, 61.3, and 63.6.

20 PRIZES

- 20.1 Prizes will be given in each class for 1st place with 3 or more starters, 2nd place with 6 or more starters, and 3rd place with 9 or more starters.
- 20.2 The OA anticipates that the following perpetual trophies will be awarded:
 - (a) Magruder Trophy: first in the Harbor 20 class.
 - (b) Elizade Trophy: first in the J/105 class.
 - (c) Labrot Trophy: best overall performance in ORC.
 - (d) Severn Boat Club Trophy: first in ORC I.
 - (e) Fernandez Trophy: first in ORC II.
 - (e) William H. Kruse Memorial Trophy: first in ORC III
 - (f) America's Trophy: this event will be part of the season AYC series for overall performance in ORC.
- 20.3 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organizing authority.

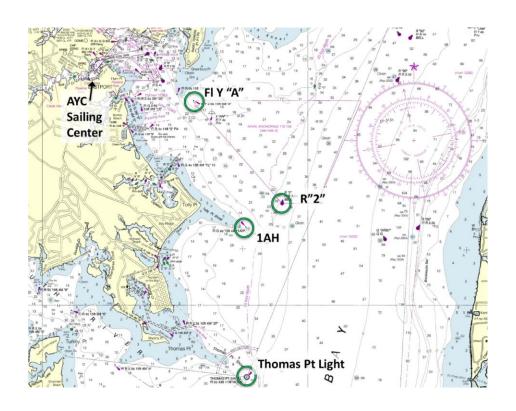
21 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

21.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue *racing* is hers alone.'

22 FURTHER INFORMATION

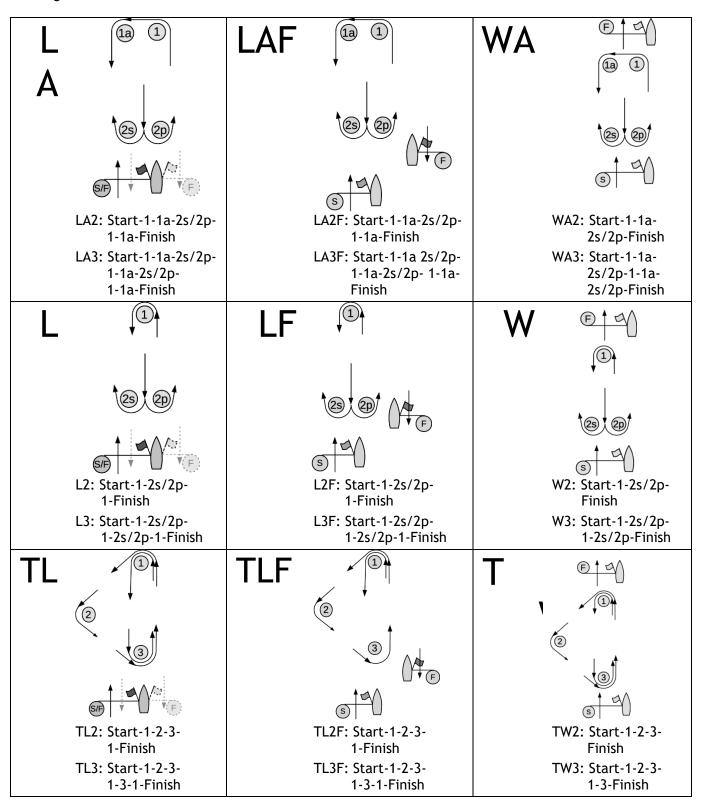
- 22.1 Non-AYC members may organize guest cards at the Front Desk of the AYC Clubhouse.
- 22.2 For more information contact: AYC Harborside Director: Linda Ambrose, lambrose@annapolisyc.org, 410.858.4964

SI ATTACHMENT 1 - RACE AREA FOR DROP MARKS RACES

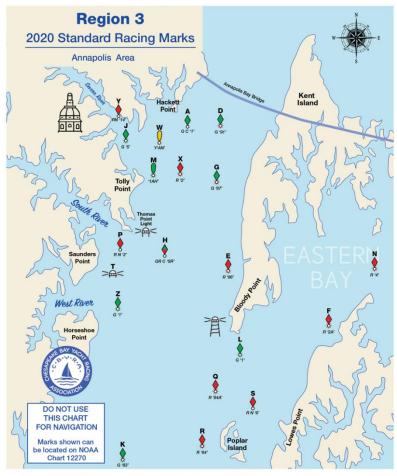


SI ATTACHMENT 2 - DROP MARKS COURSES

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 14.



SI ATTACHMENT 3 - GOVERNMENT MARKS COURSE MARKS



NOTE: Former marks "B" and "C" have been DELETED, and new marks "D" and "G" have been added as replacements.

Region 3 – 2020 Standard Racing Marks - Annapolis Area

Mark	Govt. ID	Characteristics	Location	Lat 38 N	Lon 76 W
Α	G C"1"	G Can	1.1 nm SSE of Hackett Point	58-12.104	24-52.249
D	G "91"	FI G 4s Buoy	1.3 nm SSW of Chesapeake Bay Bridge	58-59.103	23-16.547
Е	R "86"	FIR 4s Buoy	2.0 nm N of Bloody Point	51-58.414	23-32.836
F	R "2A"	FIR 4s Bell	0.6 nm N of Wades Point	50-33.347	18-12.964
G	G "87"	G Buoy	3.3 nm S of Chesapeake Bay Bridge	55-58.127	23-32.776
Н	GR C"SR"	GR Can	0.3 nm SE of Thomas Pt. Light	53-39.428	25-52.216
J	G "5"	FI G 4s Buoy	0.38 nm SW of Greenbury Pt	58-17.815	27-43.465
K	G "83'	FI G 4s GONG	2.5 nm WSW of Poplar Island	45-07.524	26-39.330
L	G "1"	FI G 4s Bell	1.0 nm S of Kent Point	49-07.418	22-07.829
М	"1AH"	FI G 4s 15ft	NNE of Tolly Point (Shoal inside)	56-09.043	26-10.042
Ν	R "4"	FI 4s Buoy	0.8 nm N of Tilghman Point	52-35.114	15-04.963
Р	R N"2"	R Nun	1.6 nm WSW of Thomas Pt Light	53-44.311	27-52.247
Q	R "84A"	FIR 2.5s Buoy	2.16 NNW of Poplar Island	47-35.620	24-41.331
R	R "84"	FIR 4s Bell	1.3 nm W of Poplar Island	45-27.424	25-06.828
S	R N"8"	R Nun	0.95 nm NW of Lowes Point	47-07.424	20-52.831
Т	Fixed	FI(2+1) R 6s 15ft	0.6 nm E of Saunders Pt Shoal Junction Light	53-01.796	28-37.321
U	RC Choice	Inflatable drop	May be set by R.C. at Starting Line		
V	RC Choice	Inflatable drop	May be set by R.C. as 1		
W	Y "AN"	FIY4s	NOAA Weather Buoy off of Greenbury Pt	57-49.010	26-48.370
Χ	R "2"	FIR 2.5s Bell	1.3 nm E of Tolly Point	56-30.000	25-29.000
Υ	R N'14"	TR Nun	0.3 nm NNW of Triton Pt	59-09.072	28-40.118
Z	G "1"	FI G 4s Buoy	2.6 NM NE of Curtis Point	51-50.694	26-59.472