

2023 J/105 Women's Regatta Sunday September 3, 2023

Organizing Authority: Sailing Club of the Chesapeake Annapolis, Maryland, USA http://scc1944.clubexpress.com



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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 This event is designated Level 3A in the J/105 Fleet-3 Articles/Rules, which can be found at https://www.j105fleet3.org/rules

2 [DP][NP] COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 2.1 The official notice board is electronic and is located here: https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=15737
- 2.2 The race office can be reached via the regatta portal at https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=15737. The physical location of the race office will be posted on the notice board.
- 2.3 On the water, the race committee intends to communicate with competitors on VHF 72.
- 2.4 All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channels 9, 13, 16, 68, 69, 70, 71, and 72.
- 2.5 A boat shall not engage outside assistance at any time while on the race course either during or between races, except for efforts expended for the safety of the crew or vessel.
- 2.6 A boat shall not make any radio transmissions while racing except on VHF channel 16, 13 as may be required for safety or with the race committee. While racing, a boat shall not receive ANY communication not available to all boats with the exception of those permitted by RRS 41(d). This restriction includes mobile telephones and internet.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 2000 on September 2nd, 2023.

4 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 4.1 The race committee will rendezvous at 1000 near Bell R "2", CBYRA Region 3 Mark X. A race committee vessel may display flag "L" accompanied by a sound signal and will proceed to the starting area.
- 4.2 [DP] All boats shall check-in with the race committee signal vessel by sailing passed the stern of the signal vessel on starboard tack and by hailing the race committee on VHF 72. This will also serve as a radio check for each vessel.
- 4.3 The warning signal for the first race of the regatta is at 1100.
- 4.4 Three (3) races are scheduled.
- 4.5 No warning signal will be made after 1600.

5 RACING AREA

5.1 The Racing Area will be in CBYRA Region 3 racing area off the mouth of the Severn River between the Chesapeake Bay Bridge and Thomas Point Light.

6 COURSES

- 6.1 The courses will use drop-marks and are described in SI Attachment 1.
- Prior to the warning signal, the race committee will announce on VHF the course to be sailed, the approximate distance between the leeward and windward marks, and the approximate magnetic heading from the starting vessel to the first mark of the course. The race committee may also display this information using placards on the on the side of the starting vessel opposite the starting line.

7 MARKS

7.1 The starting mark - will be either orange inflatable marks or an orange flag on a race committee pin boat. All other marks of the course will be orange inflatable cylinders or tetrahedrons.

8 THE START

- 8.1 Races will be started using RRS 26, modified such that:
 - (a) flags will not be displayed,
 - (b) the race committee will announce the signal via VHF radio,
 - (c) sounds signals shall be made, and
 - (d) times shall be taken from the sound signals.
- 8.2 The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starting vessel and either the course side of the pin end starting mark or an orange flag on a race committee pin boat.
- 8.3 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.

9 RECALLS

9.1 [NP] The race committee will attempt 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).

10 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

10.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark or move the finishing line to the new location.

11 THE FINISH

11.1 The finishing line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the finishing vessel and the course side of the finishing mark, or orange flag on a pin-end finishing vessel. This changes Race Signals.

12 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 12.1 RRS Appendix V1 Alternative Penalties will apply.
- 12.2 RRS Appendix T, Arbitration, will apply, modified to include breaking Class Rules 7.2, 7.5, 7.6, or 7.9.

13 RACING TIME LIMITS

13.1 The Mark 1 Time Limit, Race Time Limit (see RRS 35), and the Finishing Window are shown in the table below.

Mark 1 Time Limit	Race Time Limit	Finishing Window
45 minutes	150 minutes	30 minutes

- 13.2 If no boat has passed the first mark within the Mark 1 Time Limit, the race shall be abandoned.
- 13.3 The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat in a class starts, sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not thereafter retired, being 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.

14 HEARING REQUESTS

- 14.1 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the race committee signal vessel docks. The time will be posted on the notice board. Scoring inquiries regarding actions of the race committee, hearing requests and requests for redress regarding incidents on the race course shall be delivered to the Jury Secretary (see SI 2.2) within the protest time limit either in person, by email, or through the notice board (Yacht Scoring event page, see SI 2.1).
- 14.2 As a courtesy, the race committee requests (but does not require) that competitors notify them on VHF 72 of their intent to protest another boat.
- 14.3 The race committee will post a list of race committee scoring actions no later than the protest time limit.
- 14.4 Notices of requests for hearings by the race committee, protest committee, or the technical committee will be posted on the notice board as indicated in SI 2.1 to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 14.5 As soon as practicable after the protest time limit, the protest committee will post a notice informing competitors of the schedule and location of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

15 SCORING

- 15.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.2 Each boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores.

16 [DP] [NP] SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 16.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 16.2 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 2.2) by the protest filing deadline describing the incident and the boat's actions.
- 16.3 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.
- 16.4 The race committee or protest committee may protest a boat for breaking SI 19.2 or 19.3 based on information received from any source. The protest time limit does not apply. This changes RRS 60.2, 60.3, and 61.3.

17 [DP][NP] SUPPORT VESSELS

- 17.1 Support persons (see definition of support persons in the RRS) are reminded that Class Rule 7.10 applies and prohibits almost all contact with registered boats from the time the boat leaves its dock or mooring each day until the boat has finished racing for the day.
- 17.2 Support persons and vessels shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the first warning signal until racing is finish for the day.
- 17.3 Support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from a regatta official.

18 PRIZES

- 18.1 Prizes will be awarded in accordance with the notice of race.
- 18.2 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organizing authority.
- 18.3 Prizes will be presented at the Awards Party, to be held from 6:00-9:00 p.m. Horn Point Marina (105 Eastern Avenue, Annapolis). In addition to prizes, there will be a coaching debrief and complimentary food and drinks for competitors and volunteers. Tickets for others may be purchased at the event site (\$30 per person) https://yachtscoring.com/public_purch.cfm?eID=15737

19 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

19.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race.

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SI ATTACHMENT 1 - 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. If a gate mark (2S or 2P) is not set, boats shall leave the remaining gate mark to port. The marks are described in SI 7. The starting line is described in SI 8.2. The finishing line is described in SI 11.

