

#### NOTICE OF RACE

The Organizing Authority (OA) is Naval Academy Sailing. The host is Navy Offshore Sailing.

## 1. RULES

- 1.1. This event will be governed by the rules as defined in the most current version of the *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), the Sailing Instructions, and this NOR.
- 1.2. J105 Class Rules are modified by Article IX of the local J/105 Fleet-3 Article/Rules. This event is designated a Level 1A. J/105 Fleet-3 Articles/Rules can be found at <a href="https://www.j105fleet3.org/rules">https://www.j105fleet3.org/rules</a>.
- 1.3. All boats shall minimally comply with the Nearshore SER of the <u>US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements (SER)</u> and shall comply with their class rules, where applicable.
  - a. The following requirements from the Coastal SER shall also apply, except that boats not normally rigged with lifelines are exempt from US SER 2.4.1 and crew must wear USCG approved PFDs at all times while racing.
    - 2.4.1 Lifelines
    - 2.7.2 Mechanical Propulsion
    - 3.7.1 Lifesling
    - 3.14 GPS
    - 3.20 Charts
    - 3.29.2 Emergency Tiller
    - 3.33.1 Mainsail Reefing
    - 3.36 Boom Support
  - b. In the event of a conflict between these requirements and applicable Class Rules, the Class Rules shall apply.

# 2. COMMUNICATION

- 2.1. The Official Notice Board will be accessible through the Yacht Scoring event page (www.yachtscoring.com).
  - a. The sailing instructions and notices to competitors will be posted to the Official Notice Board.
- 2.2. The Race Committee will monitor and communicate on VHF channel 78.

#### 3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. Entries must be made through the event listing on <u>Yacht Scoring</u>.
- 3.2. Entries will be accepted until Thursday, April 27th.
- 3.3. Entry is open to boats in the following classes: Alberg 30, J/30, J/105, PHRF, CRCA Racer, CRCA Cruiser, CHESSS Single Handed, CHESSS Double Handed, Multihull, and ORC.
  - a. Boats competing in a handicap class shall have a valid 2023 rating certificate submitted no later than Thursday, April 27th.
- 3.4. For a class to have a start, it must have a minimum of three (3) valid entries by 1200 on the final entry date (see NoR 3.2).
  - a. To be considered a valid entry, a boat shall complete all registration requirements including the waiver, current rating certificate, and have paid all fees.

## 4. FEES

The entry fee is \$50 for CBYRA members and \$55 for all other entries.

# 5. SCHEDULE AND REGISTRATION

5.1. Registration – There is no onsite registration for boats competing in the Race to the Lighthouses.

5.2.	Date	Time	Event
	Saturday	0900-1000	On-the-Water Check-in w/ Race Committee
		1000	First Warning Signal

# 6. RACING AREA

6.1. Competitors should expect to rendezvous in the vicinity of Annapolis Area Government mark R "2" (CBYRA mark X).

## 7. COURSES

- 7.1. Courses will be defined in the sailing instructions. Courses will utilize CBYRA Region 3 Standard Racing Marks and may include G "95
- 7.2. The course to be sailed will be displayed on the Signal Boat.

## 8. DECISION TO RACE

Competitors participate in the Race to the Lighthouses entirely at their own risk. RRS 3 DECISION TO RACE states, "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue *racing* is hers alone. Attention is also drawn to RRS 46 PERSON IN CHARGE and Nearshore SER 1.2 RESPONSIBILITY.

## 9. PRIZES

- 9.1. Prizes will be awarded to the winners of each class depending on the number of entries as follows: First Place with three or more entries, Second Place with five or more entries, and Third Place with seven or more entries.
- 9.2. There will be no in person awards ceremony planned. Awards will be mailed or hand delivered.

## 10. LIABILITY

- 10.1. As a condition of entry each skipper shall submit an online Liability Waiver prior to racing.
- 10.2. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$300,000 per incident.

### 11. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please contact the Navy Offshore Sailing office.

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