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SCC EWE Spirit Cup Sailing Instructions SATURDAY, May 18, 2024



Organizing Authority: Sailing Club of the Chesapeake CBYRA Sanction # 306 http://scc1944.clubexpress.com

1 Rules

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing. The US Sailing SER "Nearshore Safety Equipment Requirements" apply and confirm or supplement the USCG requirements and the Racing Rules of Sailing except as amended by specific class association rules. J/105 Class Rules are modified by Article IX of the local J-105 Fleet-3 Article/Rules. This event is designated Level 3C. J-105 Fleet-3 Articles/Rules can be found at https://www.j105fleet3.org/rules



2 Communications

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official event website <u>https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=16427</u>

On the water, the race committee intends to make all announcements to competitors via VHF channel 73.

3 Schedule

The first Warning signal for the Harbor 20 class will be made at 1200 Saturday 18 May 2024 at GC"7" off Horn Point. The pursuit starting sequence will follow with a warning signal at 1205. If conditions allow, a second race for the Harbor 20 fleet only will be run shortly after their first race finishes.

4 Class flags

Class flags shall be flown in accordance with CBYRA Green Book. Any PHRF class flag may be flown for PHRF spinnaker class.

5 Racing area

The racing area will be the Severn River and Chesapeake Bay between Sandy Point and Thomas Point.

6 Course and marks

The Medium course will consist of a triangle with 3 vertices:

- GR C "SR" approximately 700 yards SSE of Thomas Point Lighthouse
- GC "1" off Hackett's Point
- GC "7" approximately 500 yards NE by E of the Horn Point "shoal pole"

Alternate Short course for lighter winds forecast:

- FL R 2.5s R"2" at the mouth of the Severn River
- GC "1" off Hackett's Point



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• GC "7" approximately 500 yards NE by E of the Horn Point "shoal pole"

The Harbor 20 river course will be sailed around marks chosen from the list of marks in Appendix B. Placards will be posted showing the marks in order of rounding; leave marks in RED to port and GREEN to starboard. If used, drop marks will be 18-inch diameter pink hippity hops.

A race committee 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.

The diagrams in Appendix A show the pursuit course marks. The course may be sailed in either direction. All marks shall be rounded to port. The course length and specific marks to be used will be posted 24 hours prior to the start.

The following marks shall always be passed on the channel side for all classes.

- "1AH" at Tolly Point
- FL R 6S 15ft 4M "4" off Greenbury Point
- FL 6s 15ft 4M "HP" off Horn Point (Shoal Pole)

7 Start

7.1 Pursuit Division

The start shall lie between GC"7" and an orange flag on the RC boat to the SW of the mark. Each boat shall have a prescribed pursuit style starting time corresponding to her rating and calculated for the course distance. Boats may start no earlier than their assigned start time. Any vessel starting early will receive a 5-minute penalty without a hearing and need not re-start. The starting sequence will be posted online. Starting times may be altered by postponement. As a courtesy only, the race committee will make broadcasts on VHF channel 73 of the time during the pursuit style starting sequence. 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.



7.2 River Division

The start shall lie between GC"7" and an orange flag on the RC boat to the SW of the mark. The 3minute dinghy style starting sequence (Appendix U) will be used. As a courtesy only, the race committee will make broadcasts on VHF channel 73. A boat that does not start within three (3) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

8 Finish

The finish line shall lie between GC"7" and an orange flag on the RC boat to the SW of the mark.

9 Time limit

Any yacht not finishing by 1530 Saturday 18 May 2024 will be scored TLE. For the River Division only, any yacht not finishing within 20 minutes of the first finisher in her class will be scored TLE.

10 Protests

This is supposed to be fun. Please sail with a sense of sportsmanship! If you break a rule or foul another boat, please take your penalties on the water. Otherwise, If you must, file electronically by 1800 on 18 May 2024 using https://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/US Sailing Hearing Request Form 20210301 Fillable.pdf

11 Scoring

Only one race will be held for the Pursuit Division. Boats will be scored by class in the order of their finish. There may be a second race for River division but only one will constitute a regatta.

12 Safety

A boat that retires shall notify the RC as soon as possible via VHF channel 73 or via email <u>scc1944.rc@gmail.com</u> A boat shall not exercise right of way, cross in proximity to, or interfere with reasonable transit of the race area by commercial traffic of any kind. 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. A boat without way may use any means of propulsion to avoid underway commercial traffic, provided:



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- (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 email) to the RC by the protest filing deadline that describes the incident and the boat's actions.

13 Awards

BEER! For all sailors of legal drinking age, to be collected after finishing from a separate RC boat approximately 50 yards NW of the finish line. Enjoy it responsibly. Prizes will be awarded to the top fundraisers at a post-race party beginning at 1600 at Horn Point Harbor Marina featuring beer from Forward Brewing and soft drinks. Swag can be ordered from <u>https://www.ewespirit.org/ewe-stuff</u>

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