

2013 Annapolis Big Boat Fall Regatta November 1-3, 2013





Hosted by Annapolis Match Race Center and Storm Trysail Club Annapolis, MD

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- **1.1** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 2013 HPR, IRC and ISAF Offshore Special Regulation Category 4 safety Rules will apply. In the event of a conflict between these regulations and applicable class rules, the class rules shall apply. The US SAILING Prescriptions to the Offshore Special Regulations do not apply.
- **1.3** If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions will take precedence.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located on the internet at http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=934.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- **4.1** Signals made ashore will be displayed at Eastport Yacht Club.
- 4.2 Notifications of signals made ashore will also be posted on the official notice board(s) located on the internet at http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=934
- **4.3** When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 Dates of racing:

Date

Nov 1 Long Distance Race(s)

Nov 2-3 Drop mark racing

5.2 Number of races:

Races per day

Nov 1 1 (potentially scored as two races)

Nov 2-3 up to 4 each day

- 5.3 The scheduled time of the Warning signal for Friday Nov 1 is 10:00, Saturday and Sunday, Nov 2-3 is 1100.
- November 1, the rendezvous will be at 9:00 near Severn River G "5". November 2 & 3, the rendezvous will be approximately one mile south of "1AH" off Tolly Point at 1000.





5.5 The distance race will have a "race within a race". One of the marks will be designated as a "scoring gate". The passing mark for the scoring gate is designated in the long distance race course description. Each boat shall pass between the "scoring gate" mark and the nearby race committee boat. This race will be counted as a single race within the series.

6 CLASS FLAGS

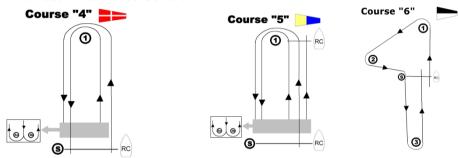
Class flags will be the Numeral Pennant One (1)

7 RACING AREAS

Will be in the Chesapeake Bay off the Severn River.

8 THE COURSES

- **8.1** For the distance race, Addendum A describes the courses.
- **8.2** For the drop mark courses, the diagrams below show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.



8.3 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the course to be sailed, and the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

9 MARKS

- **9.1** For the distance race, Addendum A describes the marks.
- **9.2** For the drop mark courses, mark 1 will be an orange tetrahedron, and marks 3S and 3P will be red cones.
- **9.3** Any new marks, as provided in instruction 12.1, will be a yellow tetrahedron.
- **9.4** The starting mark will be a yellow cone. The finishing mark for course number 4 will be a yellow cone, and for course number 5, it will be mark 1.

10 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

For the distance race courses, marker 1AH off Tolly Point, Thomas Point Shoal lighthouse and Bloody Point Bar light must be left on the channel side.

11 THE START

- 11.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starting mark at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 11.2 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4.
- 11.3 The Race Committee Signal Boat may be protected by a nearby inflatable limit mark, which shall rank as a starting mark. Boats shall not pass between a limit mark and the nearby committee boat when approaching the line to start. The area between the limit mark and the committee boat does not rank as an obstruction for the purposes of RRS 18 or 19.









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 will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the finishing mark at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end finishing mark.
- 13.2 If the race committee is absent when a boat finishes, she should report her finishing time, and her position in relation to nearby boats, to the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

14.1 The first two sentences of RRS 44.1 are changed to: A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or RRS 31 while racing. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than the starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.

15 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 15.1 For the distance race, the time limit is 6 hours. Boats failing to finish within 2 hours of the first boat to finish will be scored TLE as described in SI 17. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.
- 15.2 For the drop mark courses, the time limit is two hours. Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes of the first boat to finish will be scored TLE as described in SI 17. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- **16.1** Boats intending to protest another boat for an incident on the water shall notify the Race Committee, and receive acknowledgement, as soon as possible after finishing.
- 16.2 For each class, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 16.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located at the Eastport Yacht Club, beginning at the time posted.
- 16.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- **16.6** Breaches of SIs 11.3, 18 and 21 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.
- 16.7 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered
 - (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
 - (b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.

This changes RRS 66.

16.8 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.









17 SCORING

- **17.1** The scoring system is as follows:
 - The distance race finishes will be adjusted by a multiplier of 1.5.
 - The "scoring gate" that will be passed during the distance race will count as a single race.
 - All drop mark races will count as a single race.
- 17.2 1 race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 17.3 A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 17.4 Yachts failing to finish within the time limit will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired) and scored points equal to the number of finishers in that race plus two, but in no case will be scored more than the number of starters.

18 SAFETY REGULATIONS

18.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

19 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR SAILS

- **19.1** Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.
- 19.2 Substitution of damaged or lost sails will not be allowed unless authorized by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

21 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 21.1 Except in an emergency or to communicate with the race committee, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
- 21.2 The race committee intends on making informational broadcasts to the fleet on VHF channel 74. These broadcasts may include lists of boats that are OCS, details of changes of course or shortening, timing pertaining to the next scheduled race, results from the previous race, and other information. Failure to broadcast or receive these transmissions shall not be grounds for redress.

22 PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows: First through Third Places for both IRC and HPR scoring.

23 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.









ADDENDUM A – Description of Distance Race Courses

The starting mark will be either Severn River G "5" Fl F 4s OR a yellow tetrahedron. The race committee will display code flag "L" until 1 minute prior to the warning signal when using the yellow tetrahedron. If the tetrahedron is used, the starting line will be in the vicinity of Severn River "1L" Fl G 4s off the mouth of Lake Ogleton.

The scoring gate will be at G C "85A" when passed for the first time.

The finish line will be between Sever River G "5" and the nearby RC boat.

Course 1 – 46.1 mi		Course 2 – 31.9	Course 2 – 31.9 mi	
Mark	Round To	Mark	Round To	
Start		Start		
G C "1"	Stbd	G C "1"	Stbd	
R "88"	Stbd	R "88"	Stbd	
R "86"	Stbd	R "86"	Stbd	
G C "85A"	Port	G C "85A"	Port	
R "82"	Stbd	R "84A"	Port	
G C "83A"	Stbd	G C "85A"	Stbd	
R "84A"	Port	R "86"	Port	
G C "85A"	Stbd	R "88"	Port	
R "86"	Port	Finish		
R "88"	Port			
Finish				

Course 3 – 45.6 mi		Course 4 – 31.4	Course 4 – 31.4 mi	
Mark	Round To	Mark	Round To	
Start		Start		
R "88"	Stbd	R "88"	Stbd	
R "86"	Stbd	R "86"	Stbd	
G C "85A"	Port	G C "85A"	Port	
R "82"	Stbd	R "84A"	Port	
G C "83A"	Stbd	G C "85A"	Stbd	
R "84A"	Port	R "86"	Port	
G C "85A"	Stbd	R "88"	Port	
R "86"	Port	Finish		
R "88"	Port			
Finish				

On the diagram on the following page, the marks are lettered as follows:

A	G C "1"	F	G C "83A"
В	R "88"	G	R "84A"
C	R "86"	Н	Severn River G "5"
D	G C "85A"	I	Sever River "1L"
Е	R "82"		









