

# **Corsica River Yacht Club**

Ship Point Centreville, Maryland

# Sailing Instructions v4.1

## 1. RULES

1.1. The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of US Sailing, and the rules of the appropriate class, <u>except as any of these are changed by these</u> <u>sailing instructions and by notices to</u> <u>competitors</u>.

# 2. ENTRIES

- 2.1. Eligible boats may be entered by completing registration with the organizing authority.
- 2.2. Eligibility requirement for the helmsperson is current membership in the respective class association.

# 3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board in the CRYC club pavilion.
- 3.2. A competitor's meeting will be held at the time designated by the NOR at the pavilion.

#### 4. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

4.1. Changes to the sailing instructions made on the first day of the series will be posted within 15 minutes after the end of the competitor's meeting.

# 5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1. Code flag 'AP' with two sounds (one sound when lowered) means 'The race is postponed'. The warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after 'AP' is lowered.
- 5.2. Code flag 'B' fully hoisted with one gun means 'Protest time has begun'. Yachts filing a protest must do so within one hour of hoisting of 'B'. When 'B' is lowered, it means 'The time to file protests has ended'.
- 5.3. Signal flag pole is by the junior shed.

# 6. SCHEDULES OF RACES

- 6.1. Five races are scheduled for a two-day weekend regatta. Three races are scheduled for a one-day series.
- 6.2. Additional races may be held at the race committee's discretion.
- 6.3. On Sundays, no warning signal will be made after 1500.

## 7. RACING AREAS

7.1. Racing will take place in Corsica or Chester Sailing Areas as shown on Attachment 2.

#### 8. THE COURSE

- 8.1. Attachment 1 shows the possible courses.
- 8.2. When the 2nd Substitute is flown, an offset mark to be rounded to port will be used in conjunction with mark 1. The offset mark will be placed at approximately a right angle to the weather leg and approximately 6-10 boat lengths to port of mark 1.

#### 9. MARKS

- 9.1. Marks will be yellow or orange cylinders, spheres or tetrahedrons.
- 9.2. Start and finish line pin marks will be small orange spherical marks or a vertical pin with a flag affixed on top.

# **10. THE START**

- 10.1. Races will be started by using rule 26.
- 10.2. The starting line will be between a staff or halyard displaying a red flag on the race committee signal boat and the pin end mark.
- 10.3. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.
- 10.4. A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes rule A4.
- 10.5. Recalls and penalties will be signaled per Rules 29 and 30. The RC is not required to hail the numbers of OCS boats, except per Rule 30.3.

# **11. TIME LIMIT AND ABANDONMENT**

- 11.1.The time limit for a race will be 1.5 hours. Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat finishes or within the time limit will be scored DNF. This changes RRS 35 and A4.1.
- 11.2. The Race Committee may abandon any race it judges not to be a fair test of sailing skill.

# **12. PROTESTS**

- 12.1.A boat intending a protest shall notify the RC upon finishing the race in question. Protests shall be written on forms available at the Corsica River Yacht Club Pavilion and lodged there within one hour after the race committee has hoisted code flag 'B' on shore.
- 12.2. The protest committee will hear protests in the order of receipt as soon as possible.

12.3. Protest notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors where and when there is a hearing in which they are parties to a protest or named as witnesses.

## 13. SCORING

- 13.1.Regattas will be scored in accordance with the Low Point System of Appendix A. Exception for a specific class may be made by request.
- 13.2.One race shall be completed to constitute a regatta.

## 14. ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES

14.1. The two-turn penalty, 44.2 of the racing rules, will be in force. Yachts touching any mark including the starting/finishing mark will be required to complete a one-turn penalty.

#### **15. SAFETY REGULATIONS**

15.1.A boat shall carry all equipment required by her class rules. If not so specified, she shall also carry one USCG approved PFD, of the appropriate class, for each person on board.

# Attachment 1: COURSE DIAGRAMS

- 15.2. All boats shall have available an appropriate line, not less than 25 feet long, which can be used for towing.
- 15.3. Appropriate protective clothing shall be worn by competitors from 15 November through 15 March and at all other times that the water temperature is below 60F. Wetsuits or drysuits may be appropriate for this purpose, but skippers are solely responsible for the safety of their crew, their vessel and themselves.
- 15.4. Notwithstanding the above the race committee may require wearing personal buoyancy equipment by flying flag "Y", and DSQ a yacht whose crew does not comply. The race committee may carry out checks of safety equipment required in instruction 15 or class rules.

## 16. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

16.1.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.

