

SUNDAY SERIES SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2017-2020

1. RULES

The series will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing.

2. ENTRIES

- **2.1.** This series is open to members of the Potomac River Sailing Association; the skipper or boat owner must be a member of the association.
- **2.2.** A competitor who wishes to be scored shall check with the race committee by providing the skipper name and the boat's sail number to the race committee.
- **2.3.** Guests of members and prospective members should seek permission of the race committee to participate.

3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS & SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- **3.1.** Notices to competitors will be posted at www.potomacriversailing.org. Any changes to these sailing instructions will be posted to the website by 6:00 p.m. the day before it is to take effect and an email to the potomacriversailing@googlegroups.com will alert members to the change.
- **3.2.** Signals made ashore will be displayed on the race committee boat which will be docked near Crane # 2 in the marina launching area. If a postponement is signaled ashore, the warning signal will be made not less one hour after AP is lowered.

4. SCHEDULE

See NOR. The Race Committee will try for three races each day but may conduct more if conditions are favorable.

- **4.1.** With the exception of information permitted by Rule 41(d), all information by the race committee shall be presented at the competitors' meeting.
- **4.3.** The warning signal for the first race on each race day will be at 11:25 a.m. No warning signal will be made after 3:30 p.m.

5. RACING AREA

- **5.1.** Races will be conducted on the Potomac River, between Gravelly Point and Hains Point, Washington, D.C. Following a notice to competitors at the competitors' meeting, races may be conducted east of the Mirant Power Plant, Alexandria, Virginia.
- **5.2.** Channel-bound commercial vessels within the racing area are obstructions. Boats that are racing must keep clear of such vessels.

6. CLASS FLAGS and STARTING ORDER

6.1. The race committee will use class flags bearing these symbols:



Open Cats, Hobie Cats, Lightnings, Hamptons, Interlakes, Buccaneers, Albacores, Lasers

6.2. The start order is as shown in paragraph 6.1; absent classes are dropped. Classes with 3 or fewer boats may be started with another class, as announced at the competitors' meeting. When two classes are being started together, the class flags of both classes will be raised at the warning signal.

7. COURSES (See attachment) and MARKS

- **7.1.** The windward, gybe, and leeward marks will be inflated orange or yellow cylinders. The start pin is a white cylinder with a red flag on top. The finish pin is a white cylinder with a blue flag on top.
- **7.2.** The courses attachment explains the courses and the course designation flags, and the procedure for gates.

8. STARTING AND FINISHING LINES

The start line will be between the orange flag on the signal boat and the start pin (red flag) as described in 7.1. The finish line will be between the orange flag on the RC boat and the finish pin (blue flag) as described in 7.1.

9. TIME LIMIT

The time limit will be 90 minutes for the first boat to finish in each class. Boats finishing more than 30 minutes after the first boat that sails the course finishes will be scored TLE (time limit expired, which will be equal to 1 + the number of on-time finishers). This changes RRS A4.2.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

- **10.1** RRS/US Appendix V1 (Penalty at the Time of an Incident) will apply.
- 10.2 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 a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.'
- **10.3** Penalty taken after racing: RRS/US Appendix V2 will apply.

11. PROTESTS

Protests shall be delivered to the PRO within 30 minutes of the signal boat's docking. After the close of the 30-minute time limit, the PRO will inform the protestee(s) of the protest(s), allow them to read the protest, and indicate when their hearing will begin. The PRO will convene a panel of judges to hear and adjudicate the protests. Hearings will be held on the deck next to the Afterdeck Café and will begin 60 minutes after the signal boat's docking

12. DAY SCORING

- 12.1 Entrants include skippers who start one or more races.
- 12.2 All races count.

13. SERIES SCORING

See NOR.

14. AWARDS

See NOR.