



**SANDY MACVICKAR REGATTA
SEVERN SAILING ASSOCIATION
August 12th
SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

1 RULES

This regatta will be governed by the current *The Racing Rules Of Sailing 2017-2020 (RRS)*, as adopted by US Sailing, the Rules of the 420 Class Association, the International Laser Class Association and the International Optimist Dinghy Association, except as any of these are altered by this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions. Should there be a conflict between the Notice Race and the Sailing Instructions the Sailing Instructions shall govern. This changes RRS 63.7.

2 NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official regatta notice board located in the snack bar area of the clubhouse. Food is available for purchase, lunch is not provided. Bring Re-Usable water bottles, there is a refilling station in the club.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the SSA main clubhouse flagpole.

4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Wednesday (8/12)

0830 Check in

9:30 Opti RWB Launch

1030 Laser Launch

1115 C420 Launch

1230 Opti Green Launch

1630 No Start After

6 RACING AREAS

When possible, the C420, Laser, and Laser Radial classes will sail in the area near Bembe Beach (Area A). The Optimist Red, White and Blue Fleets will race near Horn Point and the mouth of Back Creek (Area B). The Optimist Green Fleet will race in Annapolis harbor near the Naval Academy Seawall (Area C).

7 COURSES

The courses will be posted on the official regatta notice board, located in the snack bar area at SSA. Course boards on the RC Boat will display the identifying number or name of the course to sail. Attachment 1 shows the courses, including approximate angles between legs and the order in which marks are to be passed. All marks are to be passed to port.

8 MARKS Marks will be orange balls on the Optimist green fleet course Area C; short, orange cylinder marks on the Optimist course (Area B); and tall cylinders on the C420, Laser, Laser Radial Course (Area A).

9 START

9.1 Races will be started using the 3 minute Sound Signal Starting System described in RRS Appendix U.

9.2 The starting line will be between a line or staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Signal Boat and the windward edge of an orange buoy.

9.4 Area A and B individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.1, Optimist Green individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with S6

9.5 General recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.2

10 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

When a major wind shift occurs, the Race Committee may reposition a mark of the course provided that no boat is on that leg of the course. The Race Committee will not display flag C. The replacement mark will be identical to the original mark.

11 FINISH

The finish will be between the nearby mark to leeward of the signal boat. After finishing, boats must clear the finish area to avoid other competitors who are still racing.

12 PROTESTS

RRS 61.1(a) is modified to require that notice of intent to protest and the number of the protested yacht must be given immediately after finishing by hailing the Race Committee representative. This person will be located on the finish boat. Protests shall be lodged on forms available at the regatta headquarters. The completed protest form must be filed no later than 8pm and emailed to Sailing@severnsailing.org.

The close of the protest time will be posted on the Regatta Notice Board as soon as possible. Protests will be heard as soon as possible and approximately in the order received.

13 SCORING

13.1 The Low-Point Scoring System, RRS Appendix A, will apply.

13.2 One race shall constitute a regatta

13.3 Ties shall be broken under provisions of RRS Appendix A Section 8

13.4 Five races are scheduled

13.5 If five races are completed a boat shall exclude her worst score. This changes Appendix A 2.1.

14 SAFETY

14.1 All competitors are required to pass by the stern of the race committee boat to check in.

14.2 Competitors AND coaches shall wear USCG approved Type III Personal Flotation Devices (PFDs) at all times while afloat. Inflatable type PFDs are not permitted.

14.3 Failure to comply with 14.2 will be grounds for disqualification from all races sailed in violation of those instructions.

14.4 In the case of a coach not complying with 14.2, all sailors associated with his / her club will be disqualified from all races.

14.5 Competitors and/or coaches shall supply the equipment to meet the requirements of 9.1.

14.6 At their discretion, the Race Committee may require a competitor to retire from racing if the competitor is determined to be a risk to their own or others' safety.

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

15 SUPPORT BOATS

15.1 Coaches, parents, and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boats have finished or retired, or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall, or abandonment.

15.2 Coaching is only permitted between races. Any communication with a competitor during a race is considered outside assistance and is the same as "coaching." Any competitor receiving outside assistance will be disqualified with the following exception:

- On the Green fleet course, coaches will be permitted to assist the boats in the last five places of any race if that assistance is deemed necessary for the efficient completion of the series.

16 TRASH DISPOSAL

Boats shall not put trash in the water. Boats observed discharging trash in any place unintended for trash shall be disqualified from all races.

17 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Radio channels monitored by race committees will be as follows:

Area A: 65A

Area B: 69

Area C: 71

18 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded for 1st - 3rd for C420, Laser Radial and Opti White, Blue, Red. In addition, 1st – 5th will be awarded overall in the Opti fleet, and awards will be given to the top girl competitors in the Laser and Opti fleet, and to the top all-girl C420 team. All Green fleet competitors will receive participation awards.

19 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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. This changes the US Sailing Prescription RRS 82.

20 CONTACTS

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