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From The Editor:

This publication is published as a resource for sailors looking for information on invitational events hosted by CBYRA clubs up-and-down The Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries. This includes CBYRA sanctioned races in all Regions 1, 2, 3, and 4(N & S) as well as notices for club series and non-sanctioned events, fleet schedules, and useful materials like protest forms and signal flag guides. A significant number of these events rely on the included General Sailing Instructions, developed by the CBYRA Rules and Appeals Committee, and adopted for use for many events.

While the season primarily consists of one and two day regattas - some daytime races and some overnight - there are also several multi-day regattas. The common theme is that racers are invited to participate and visit clubs across, along, and up and down the Bay. Many clubs continue to make efforts to solicit feedback and respond to the desires and preferences of racers. While there may be some fluctuations from year-to-year with races appearing or disappearing from the schedule, race formats, parties, and event venues continue to adapt and adjust to make racing more enjoyable for both ardent competitors and those new to the racing scene. Please review the Race Announcements and Club NoR's as you plan your season and feel free to reach out to the club contacts with any questions.

This Green Book is the product of several meetings, hours and hours of emails, phone calls and drafts – all representing the efforts of volunteers from CBYRA, fleets, and clubs alike. It works best when racers make their clubs and fleets aware of what's important to them for the coming year, so please speak up.

There is a continued safety emphasis on the part of the race Organizing Authorities with most NOR's mandating US Sailing Nearshore, Coastal, Offshore, or tailored SER's. Safety should be a holistic part of every boating program and be included in boat preparation, crew training and readiness, racing strategy and execution, and on-the-water risk based decision making. CBYRA believes that skippers/owners should not just view safety as a box which must be checked on a registration form, but rather to view and approach safety simply as another facet of ownership, a responsibility and duty to crew and boat ensuring that everyone returns home alive and without injury to persons or property.

As always, the racing environment is not stagnant. While some clubs are utilizing only PHRF handicap ratings, there is a larger shift with more competitors using other handicap rating rules to include ORC and ORA "EZ". Also expect to see government marks courses to reduce channel crossing requirements as the OA's work with the USCG to minimize interaction with commercial traffic.

There are additional events, including one design and junior regattas that you will find only on the CBYRA web site. Be sure to use this comprehensive resource frequently by visiting www.cbyra.org to get up-to-date information, online registration and personal race schedule management, results postings, and much more.

This is my third and last round as the Green Book Editor. I can't list everyone who's helped and supported the process but I do want to give a huge shout out to my wife Kai for putting up with me and the endless hrs, along with the Junior, COD, OD, and Handicap Division chairs Madde, Beth, Tyler, and Nelson, and our webmaster Sandy. Also a shout out to Randy Goodman who has been instrumental in representing, coordinating, tracking, and helping with all things Southern Bay. Lastly, with the 3rd year anniversary of the passing of Mike Wagner just behind us, it's fitting to acknowledge him and all he's done for CBYRA, for the sailing community and beyond, and even for this publication. The vision, layout, the templates, the physical Green Book files which are re-purposed each year have his fingerprints all over them. So it's fitting to think of him, to thank him, to honor him, and to remember him.

I think we all know that the Chesapeake Bay enjoys outstanding racing because it is supported by people who donate their time to make it happen. As you cross the finish line or when you see these people ashore, please be sure to thank them: the race committee, jury, regatta organizers, class leaders, and CBYRA volunteers.

See you on the water!

Josh Colwell

2026 CBYRA Scheduler and Green Book Editor

2026 CBYRA Past-President



About the Green Book

For decades, the Green Book has been a printed publication. It is now an on-line document, but follows its historical purpose of providing Chesapeake Bay racers participating in the Handicap, Cruising One-Design, and Multihull Fleets the formal schedule of CBYRA sanctioned events along the Bay.

For many events, the Green Book provides Race Announcements, links to Notices of Race and Sailing Instructions, as well as notices for club series and non-sanctioned events, fleet schedules, and useful materials like protest forms and a signal flag guide. While the season primarily consists of one and two day regattas, there are also several multi-day regattas and some overnight races. The common theme is that racers are invited to participate and visit clubs throughout the Chesapeake Bay region.

A significant number of the events rely on the General Sailing Instructions (GSI) included in the Green Book, as they provide information to enable fair racing for competitors and satisfy RRS requirements (notably RRS 89.2). The organization and language has been updated for consistency with best practices of sailing instructions around the country and the world. Also, the GSI has been updated to reflect the growing use of the internet for publishing documents, accepting entries and protests, and for electronic notice boards. Some clubs and other organizing authorities add, change, or modify information and instructions relevant to a specific regatta or race in the form of an amendment to these instructions, or produce their own Notices of Races and Sailing Instructions that take precedence over the materials in these pages.

The rear of the Green Book contains copies of the Standard CBYRA Entry form. While most clubs now offer, and prefer, online registration, this form may be used to properly enter a race or regatta. Please read all Race Announcements, Notice of Race, Sailing Instructions, and Amendments carefully to ensure that you provide all entry fees and supporting documents to the sponsoring club (for example, some fleets and clubs request copies of current handicapping certificates along with the entry) by the necessary deadlines.

Should you find yourself involved in an incident during racing, the Green Book also contains copies of Standard Protest Forms and Alternative Penalty Acceptance Forms. Read the Sailing Instructions carefully to ensure proper use and requirements. If you intend to protest or take a penalty, please inform Race Committees immediately after finishing a race. Make sure that the Race Committee acknowledges your hail!

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About CBYRA

The Chesapeake Bay Yacht Racing Association (CBYRA) is an organization comprised of more than 50 member clubs and fleets, more than 30 classes of racing sailboats, and hundreds of individual members. Founded in 1914, CBYRA is the principal organization supporting competitive sailboat racing in the mid-Atlantic United States. Acting as an advocate for sailing throughout the Chesapeake Bay, we promote, coordinate and administer organized racing through our area yacht clubs to ensure the continued growth and support of area racing.

Committee volunteers do the bulk of the work of CBYRA. The President, Vice Presidents, Treasurer, Secretary, and the US Sailing Delegate are elected at the CBYRA annual meeting held each year in early December. Representatives from the Handicap, Cruising One-Design, One-Design, and Junior Division serve with the elected officers on the Executive Committee that manages the organization

2026 CBYRA Officers

David Dodson - President
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Josh Colwell – Past President

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2026 Members Organization

Annapolis Naval Sailing Assn.
Annapolis Yacht Club
Baltimore City Yacht Association
Baltimore County Sailing Center
Broad Bay Sailing Association
Cambridge Yacht Club
CCV Racing
Chesapeake Multihull Assn.
Chesapeake Racer Cruiser Assn.
Chesapeake Shorthanded Sailing Soc.
Corsica River Yacht Club
Daingerfield Island Sailing Club
Downtown Sailing Center
Eastern Shore Sailing Assn.
Eastport Yacht Club
Fishing Bay Yacht Club
Gibson Island Yacht Squadron
Glenmar Sailing Association

Hampton Yacht Club
Havre de Grace Yacht Club
Herrington Harbour Sailing Assn.
Indian Landing Boat Club
Lewes Yacht Club
Magothy River Sailing Assn.
Maryland Yacht Club
Miles River Yacht Club
Naval Academy Sailing
Norfolk Yacht and Country Club
North East River Yacht Club
Old Point Comfort Yacht Club
ORC of the Chesapeake
PHRF of the Chesapeake
Portsmouth Boat Club
Potapskut Sailing Assn.
Potomac River Sailing Assn.
Rappahannock River Yacht Club

Riverton Yacht Club
Rock Creek Racing Association
Rock Hall Yacht Club
Sailing Center Chesapeake
Sailing Club of the Chesapeake
Seafarers Yacht Club of
Annapolis
Severn Sailing Association
Southern Maryland Sailing Assn.
St. Mary's College of Maryland
Storm Trysail Club, Chesapeake
Station
Tred Avon Yacht Club
Union League Yacht Club
Ware River Yacht Club
West River Sailing Club

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There are hundreds of racing opportunities to participate in throughout our fabulous Chesapeake Bay area at our member clubs. From summertime weeknight races and other casual events, to sanctioned weekend events and high level championships, there's always a lot of sailing going on all over the bay.

PHRF Region 1

- Baltimore City Yacht Assn.
- Gibson Island Yacht Squadron
- Glenmar Sailing Association
- Havre de Grace Yacht Club
- Magothy River Sailing Assn.
- Maryland Yacht Club
- North East River Yacht Club
- Potapskut Sailing Association
- Riverton Yacht Club
- Rock Creek Racing Association

PHRF Region 2

- Cambridge Yacht Club
- Daingerfield Island Sailing Club
- Eastern Shore Sailing Assn.
- Herrington Harbor Sailing Assn.
- Miles River Yacht Club
- Potomac River Sailing Assn
- Southern Maryland Sailing Assn
- St. Mary's College Sailing Association
- Tred Avon Yacht Club

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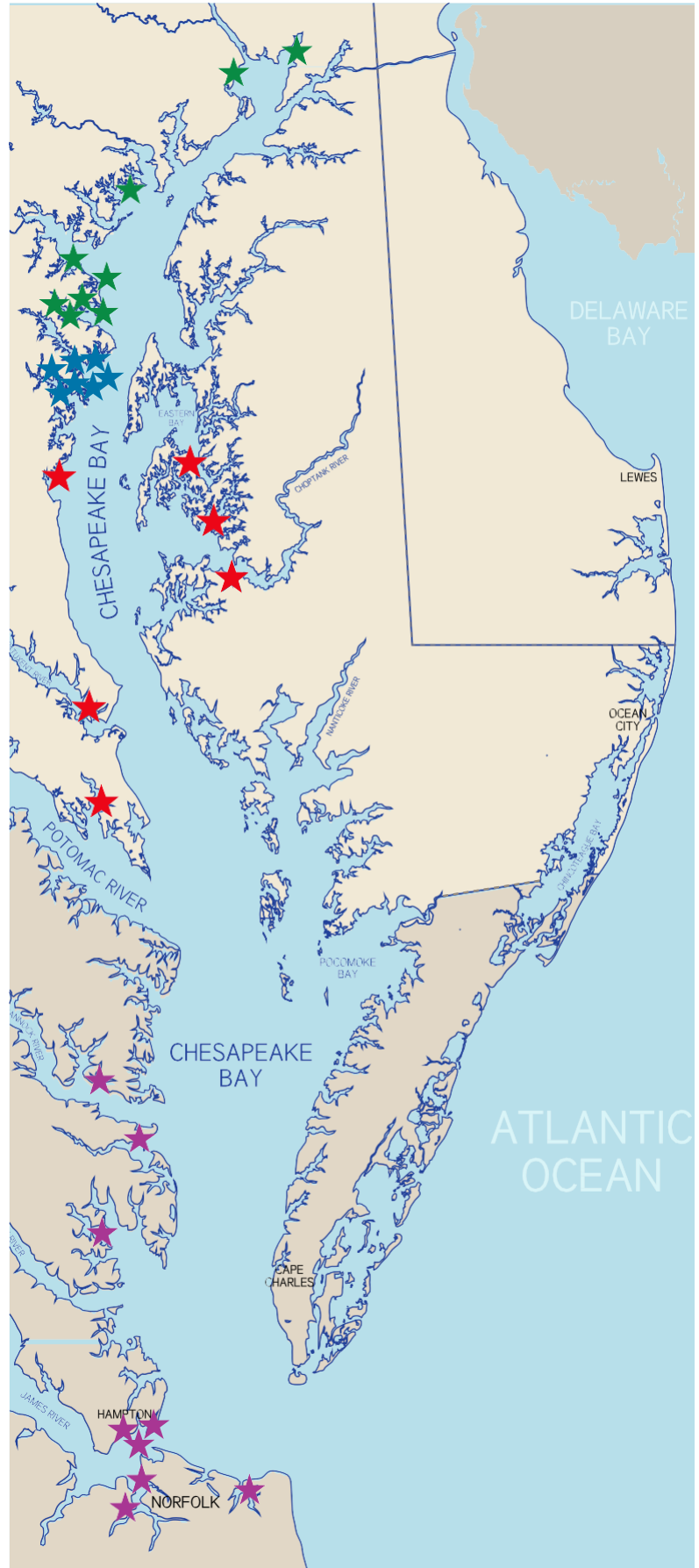
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CBYRA 2026 Master Event Calendar

Sanctioned & non-Sanctioned Handicap/Cruising One-Design events

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2026 CBYRA PHRF Regions 1,2,3,4(N & S) Handicap, COD, and Selected One-Design



❖ - PHRF Chesapeake Distance Challenge

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		Scored for High Point					Non High Point																			
		COD																								
		Handicap																								
		Alberg 30	Cal 25	Harbor 20	J/22	J/24	J/29	J/30	J/70	J/80	J/105	Multihull A/B	PHRF A	PHRF B	PHRF C	PHRF N	PHRF Cruiser NS	PHRF Cruiser S	CHESS Spin	CHESS NS	CHESS Multihull	CRCA Racer	CRCA Cruiser	CRCA Perf.	ORC Open	ORC Perf. Cruise
4S	Sun 20-Sep	Hampton Yacht Club											◆	◆	◆	◆										
4S	Sun 04-Oct	Hampton Yacht Club											◆	◆	◆	◆										
4S	Sat 17-Oct	Old Point Comfort Yacht Club											◆	◆	◆	◆	◆	◆								◆

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2026 Weeknight Sailing and Casual Regatta Events

Date		Organizing Authority	Event
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Wednesdays			
Wednesdays	April 1	Hampton Yacht Club	Wednesday Night Racing Begins
Wednesdays	April 8	Broad Bay Sailing Association	Little Creek Wednesday Night Racing Begins
Wednesdays	April 8-Sept 9	Southern MD Sailing Association	Wednesday Night Racing
Wednesdays	April 23-Sept 24	Magothy River Sailing Association	Wednesday Night Racing
Wednesdays	April 15-May 27	Rappahannock River Yacht Club	Typhoon Spring Series
Wednesdays	April 22-Sep 30	Rock Creek Sailing Association	Wednesday Night Racing
Wednesdays	April 22-Aug 26	Annapolis Yacht Club	Wednesday Night Racing
Wednesdays	May 6-Sep 2	Herrington Harbour Sailing Assn	Wednesday Night Racing
Wednesdays	May 6-October 7	Miles River Yacht Club	Wednesday Night Racing
Wednesdays	May 6-October 7	Miles River Yacht Club	Star Class Wednesday Nights
Wednesdays	Aug 19 – Sep 30	Rappahannock River Yacht Club	Typhoon Fall Series
Wednesdays	Oct 7 – Oct 28	CCV Racing	Octoberfest Wednesday Nights
Thursdays			
Thursdays	April 9	Broad Bay Sailing Association	Willoughby Thursday Night Racing begins
Thursdays	Apr 11 - Sept 11	Havre de Grace Yacht Club	Thursday Night Racing
Thursdays	May 7 - Aug 27	Severn Sailing Assn / J World	Thursday Night Racing
Thursdays	May 14-Sep 24	Yankee Point Yacht Club	Thursday Night Racing

Thursdays	June 4 – Sep 17	Glenmar Sailing Association	Thursday Night Racing
Fridays			
Fridays	April 28-June 9	Norfolk Yacht & Country Club	Spring Series
Fridays	July 11	Broad Bay Sailing Association	Hobie Fleet 32 - Friday Night Beach Cat Series begins
Fridays	May 8 - Sept 18	Tred Avon Yacht Club	Oxford Amateur Racing Series
Friday	May 8 – Aug 28	Eastport Yacht Club	Friday Night Beer Cans
Fridays	Apr 17 – May 29	Norfolk Yacht & Country Club	Spring Series

2026 Green Book General Sailing Instructions (GSI) for CBYRA Sanctioned Handicap and Cruising One-Design events

These Green Book General Sailing Instructions (GSI) apply when an event's Notice of Race so states, or if an event page titled "NoR/GSI Amendment" is published in the CBYRA Green Book.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*
- 1.2 Events using these GSI shall publish a GSI Amendment that includes sailing instructions with event specific information.
 - (a) The GSI Amendment may be combined with the event's Notice of Race (NoR).
 - (b) GSI Amendments may add to, modify, or replace any portion of the GSI.
 - (c) When the GSI Amendment conflicts with the GSI, the GSI Amendment takes precedence.
 - (d) When the RRS refer to 'sailing instructions', it means a rule in either the GSI or GSI Amendment.
- 1.3 The notation '[DP]' in the GSI or GSI Amendment means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.
- 1.4 The notation '[NP]' in the GSI or GSI Amendment means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1.
- 1.5 Unless otherwise stated in a NoR or GSI Amendment, the organizing authority (OA) for an event is the host club.

2 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board which may be online. The NoR and GSI Amendment will state the location(s) of the official notice board or address of online notice board.
- 2.2 The GSI Amendment will include an email and telephone number for contacting the race office. It may also include a physical location of the race office.
- 2.3 On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors via VHF radio. The VHF channel will be included in the GSI Amendment.
- 2.4 [DP] Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

3 CHANGES TO NOTICE OF RACE OR SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 The GSI Amendment will be posted at least 48 hours prior to the first scheduled warning signal.
- 3.2 Changes to the NoR will be posted on the notice board.
- 3.3 Changes to the GSI Amendment will be posted on the notice board at least 2 hours before the first scheduled warning signal 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 CODE OF CONDUCT

4.1 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

5 ENTRIES

5.1 The NoR shall include the entry fees and may specify an online entry process.

5.2 If on-line entry is not available, boats shall enter by completing a CBYRA Standard Entry Form and mailing it along with the entry fee to the address stated in the NoR. CBYRA Standard Entry Forms are available in the back of the CBYRA Green Book and online at cbyra.org.

5.3 Unless the OA or race committee has chosen to combine multiple boat classes in a single start, a boat can only enter into a single class per event.

6 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

6.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at a location stated in the GSI Amendment. If the GSI Amendment does not include a location, then no signals will be made ashore.

7 SCHEDULE OF RACES

7.1 The scheduled date and time of the first warning signal will be included in the NoR. The NoR or GSI Amendment will state the remaining racing schedule.

8 CLASS FLAGS

8.1 The class flags are included in these GSI's (see Class Flags for CBYRA Sanctioned Classes). The class flag for a class not included on the CBYRA website will be included in the NoR and GSI Amendment.

8.2 [DP] Boat shall clearly display two class flags - one at the bow (from the bow pulpit if available) and one at the stern (approximately 5 feet up on the backstay if the boat has a backstay).

9 RACING AREA

9.1 Unless modified in the GSI Amendment, courses shall either use standard racing marks as described in GSI 10 or drop mark courses as described in GSI 11.

9.2 If the NoR does not state a racing area, then the racing area will be the CBYRA Region in which the OA is located (see "CBYRA Regions and Club with Races Presented" in the Green Book).

9.3 The GSI Amendment will state either:

(a) the standard racing mark where the starting area will be located, or

(b) the standard racing mark where the race committee will have a rendezvous vessel standing by 30 minutes prior to the first scheduled warning signal.

10 STANDARD RACING MARK COURSES AND MARKS

- 10.1 The marks of the course will be selected from the “Standard Racing Marks” table in the designated racing area.
- 10.2 The navigational aids listed in the “Standard Passing Marks” table in the designated racing area shall be passed on the channel side at all times, unless they are specified as a rounding mark of the course.
- 10.3 The course to be sailed will be designated in the event’s GSI Amendments or by letters displayed on a race committee starting vessel.
 - (a) Marks shall be rounded in the order displayed, reading from left to right or from top to bottom.
 - (b) One lap shall be sailed unless the course designation is followed by a numeral that specifies the number of laps to be sailed.
 - (c) Marks designated in red shall be rounded to port; marks designated in green shall be rounded to starboard.

11 DROP MARK COURSES AND MARKS

- 11.1 The “Drop Mark Courses” in these GSI’s describe the drop mark courses and their course identification letters.
- 11.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee starting vessel will display the approximate distance and compass bearing of the first leg.
- 11.3 The marks and change marks will be described in the GSI Amendment.
- 11.4 If the race committee starting vessel displays flag C before or with the preparatory signal, accompanied by a series of repetitive sounds, the first mark of the course will be a change mark.

12 OBSTRUCTIONS

- 12.1 Boats shall not enter US Coast Guard “Safety or Security Zones” (see CFR 165.500 and Notice to Mariners). These zones rank as “obstructions”.

13 [DP] BOAT CHECK IN AND WITHDRAWALS

- 13.1 Before the first warning signal of the first race a boat sails each day, the boat shall pass the race committee starting vessel and hail her sail number until acknowledged by the committee.
- 13.2 A boat that retires or withdraws before finishing shall notify the race committee or the race office at the first reasonable opportunity.

14 THE START

- 14.1 Races will be started using RRS 26.
- 14.2 The starting line will be between the staff or halyard containing a yellow or orange flag on the race committee starting vessel and the course side of the designated starting mark.
- 14.3 [DP] Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall stay clear of the starting area during the starting sequence for other races. The starting area is defined as extending 100 yards beyond each end of the starting line and 150 yards behind the line and its extension.

- 14.4 If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee may attempt to hail her sail number. A boat may not base a request for redress on the failure to hail her number, failure of her to hear such a hail, or the order in which boats are hailed. This changes RRS 61.4(a)(1).
- 14.5 A boat that checks in but 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.

15 CHANGE TO NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE (DROP MARK COURSES ONLY)

- 15.1 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.
- 15.2 After a start, if flag C is displayed over flag Q, the course change applies only to boats beginning their final leg to the finish. This changes RRS 33 and Race Signal C.

16 THE FINISH

- 16.1 The finishing line will be between the staff or halyard containing a blue flag on a race committee vessel and the course side of the designated finish mark.
- 16.2 If the race committee is absent when a boat finishes, she shall report her finishing time and her position in relation to nearby boats, to the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 16.3 [DP] A boat approaching the finish at night shall illuminate her racing numbers. An ordinary flashlight is often not bright enough for this purpose.

17 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 17.1 For penalties while racing, RRS 44.1, One-Turn and Two-Turns Penalties will apply.
- 17.2 In addition, for penalties after racing, RRS/US Appendix V2, Penalty Taken After the Race, will apply.

18 TIME LIMITS

- 18.1 The time limits, if any, will be stated in the GSI Amendment.

19 HEARING REQUESTS

- 19.1 A boat intending to protest or request redress is encouraged to inform the race committee promptly after finishing or retiring by hail or VHF (see GSI 2). The hail should include the sail number or boat name of the protested boat.
- 19.2 Unless otherwise specified in the GSI Amendment, the protest time limit is 2.5 hours after the boat finishes the last race of the day, withdraws, or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 19.3 Hearing request forms are available in the CBYRA Green Book and online at <https://www.ussailing.org> and in the US Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing mobile app.

- 19.4 Unless otherwise specified in the GSI Amendment, the protest committee will post the schedule for hearings, the parties, named witness, and location of the hearings on the notice board at the first reasonable opportunity after receiving a protest or request for redress. Hearings may be conducted via teleconferencing or videoconferencing in accordance with instructions posted on the notice board.
- 19.5 RRS 61.2(b) and 63.7(b) do not apply.

20 SCORING

- 20.1 Unless otherwise specified in the GSI Amendment, the scoring system will be RRS A4 modified such that a boat's series score is the total of her race scores.
- 20.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

21 [DP] SAFETY REGULATIONS AND COMMERCIAL TRAFFIC

- 21.1 A boat racing at night in close proximity to other vessels shall illuminate their sails so that they are clearly visible. This requirement is in addition to the navigation lights and shapes required by the "International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (IRPCAS)" or other applicable government regulations.
- 21.2 A boat without way may use any means of propulsion to avoid commercial traffic that is under way provided: (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 e-mail) with the event's race office (see GSI 2) by the protest filing deadline describing the incident and the boat's actions.
- 21.3 A boat shall not exercise right of way, cross in proximity to, or interfere with reasonable transit of the race area by commercial ships, tugs, or barges. 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.
- 21.4 The race committee or protest committee may protest a boat for breaking GSI 21.2 or 21.3 based on information received from any source. The protest time limit does not apply. This changes RRS 60.1 and 60.3(b).

22 PRIZES









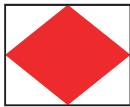

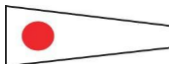
- 22.1 Prizes, if any, will be described in the GSI Amendment or NoR.
- 22.2 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA.

23 RISK STATEMENT

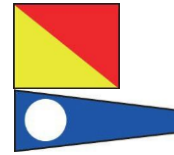
- 23.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

Class Flags for CBYRA Sanctioned Classes

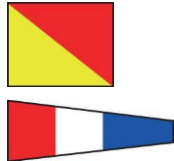
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PHRF B <i>(6 Pennant)</i>	
PHRF C <i>(7 Pennant)</i>	
PHRF N <i>(5 Pennant)</i>	
Cruising Spinnaker <i>(2nd Substitute)</i>	
Cruising Non-Spin <i>(8 Pennant)</i>	8 
CHESSS <i>(3rd Sub Pennant)</i>	
Multihull A <i>(W flag)</i>	
Multihull B <i>(F flag)</i>	
ORC 1 <i>(O flag over 1 Pennant)</i>	 

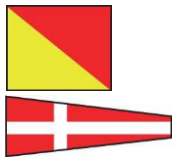
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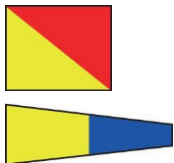
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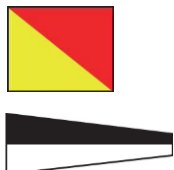
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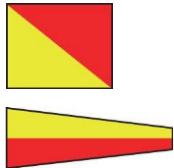
ORC Performance Cruiser 1
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ORC Performance Cruiser 2
(O flag over 6 Pennant)



ORC Performance Cruiser 3
(O flag over 7 Pennant)



CRCA
(Cruiser)



CRCA
(Racer Cruiser)



CRCA
(Performance Cruiser)



Select Cruising One- Design Divisions

Alberg 30
(G flag)



Cal 25
(T flag)



Etchells
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J/24
(H flag)



J/30
(D flag)



J/80
(J flag)



J/105
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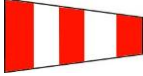
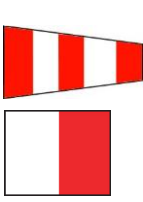
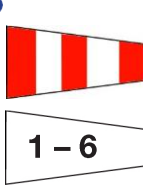





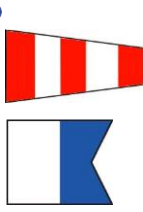

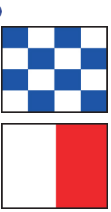
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Code Flags with Racing Usage Notes

For reference only. See the RRS Race signals in the back cover of US Sailing's *Racing Rules of Sailing* for a full description of race signals.

<p>AP Postponement</p> 	<p>AP Hotel</p> 	<p>AP # Pennant</p> 
<p>Orange Flag RC Vessel at Start Line</p> 	<p>All races not started are postponed (Further signals ashore)</p>	<p>All races not started are postponed for # hours (per bottom pennant)</p>
<p>Black Flag Rule 30.4 in Effect</p> 		
<p>Blue Flag RC Vessel at Finish Line</p> 		

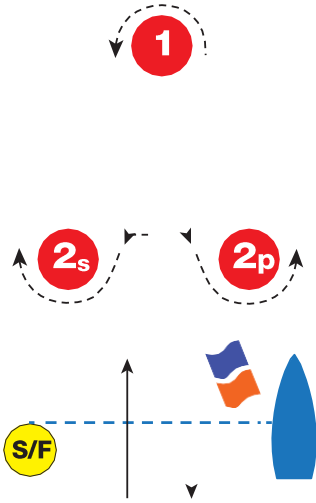
<p>AP Alpha</p> 	<p>November Alpha</p> 	<p>November Hotel</p> 
<p>All races not started are postponed (No more racing today)</p>	<p>All races in progress are abandoned (No more racing today)</p>	<p>All races in progress are abandoned (Further signals ashore)</p>

2026 Drop Mark Courses

Unless modified by the Event Sailing Instructions or GSI amendment, the Green Book drop mark diagrams show courses that may be sailed. Also see GSI 11, *Drop Mark Courses and Marks*. In the diagrams, the course designation is followed with a colon, and then the mark rounding order for that course. All mark roundings shall be to port unless the course includes a gate. At a gate, the skipper may choose between rounding the port mark to port or the starboard mark to starboard. At a gate, if only one mark is set (e.g. a mark is missing), the single mark shall be rounded to port.

Drop mark colors, size and shape may vary. Please note that the course diagrams illustrate finish lines with a suggested position of the race committee relative to the nearby finish mark. This may not be the case for all finish lines. Under definition of finishing in the RRS, the boats shall cross "the finish line from the course side".

Course L



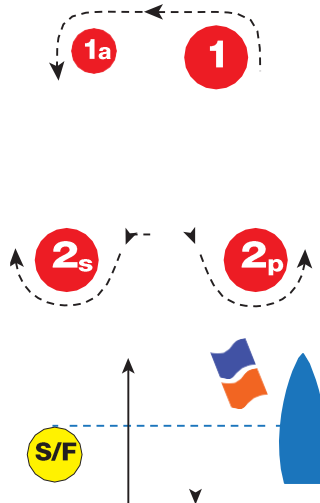
Windward / Leeward - Downwind Finish

L2: Start m1 m2 m1 m Finish

L3: Start m1 m2 m1 m2 m1 m Finish

**L4: Start m1 m2 m1 m2 m1 m
2 m1 m Finish**

Course LA



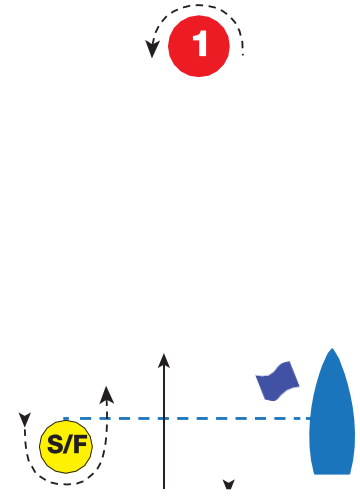
Windward / Leeward - Downwind Finish

LA2: Start m1 m1a m2 m1 m1a m Finish

**LA3: Start m1 m1a m2 m1 m1a m
2 m1 m1a m Finish**

**LA4: Start m1 m1a m2 m1 m1a m
2 m1 m1a m2 m1 m1a m Finish**

Course LS



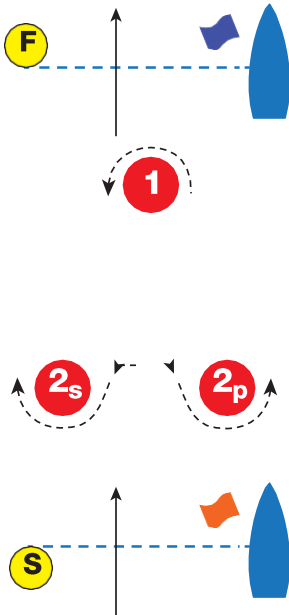
Windward / Leeward - Downwind Finish

LS2: Start m1 mS/F m1 m Finish

**LS3: Start m1 mS/F m1 mS/F m
1 m Finish**

**LS4: Start m1 mS/F m1 mS/F m
1 m S/F m1 m Finish**

Course W



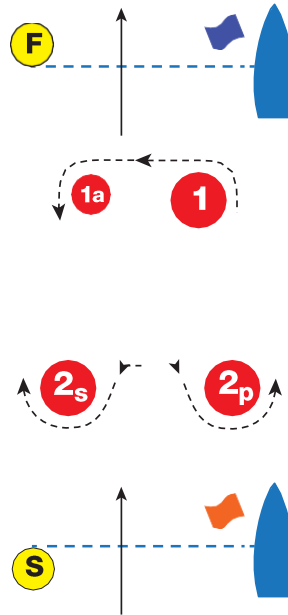
Windward / Leeward - Upwind Finish

W: Start m1 m 2 m Finish

W: Start m1 m2 m1 m2 m Finish

**W: Start m1 m2 m1 m2 m1 m2 m
Finish**

Course WA



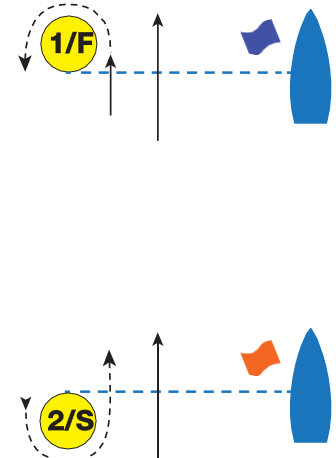
Windward / Leeward - Upwind Finish

WA2: Start m1 m1a m2 m Finish

**WA3: Start m1 m1a m2 m1 m1a m
2 m Finish**

**WA4: Start m1 m1a m2 m1 m1a m
2 m1 m1a m2 m Finish**

Course WS



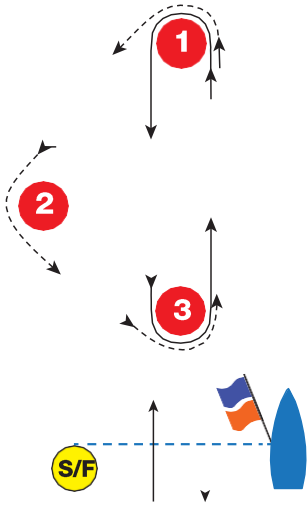
Windward / Leeward - Upwind Finish

WS2: Start m1 m2 m Finish

WS3: Start m1 m2 m1 m2 m Finish

**WS4: Start m1 m2 m1 m2 m1 m
2 m Finish**

Course TL

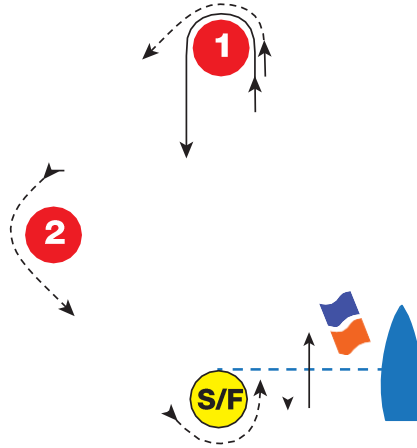


Triangle Course - Downwind Finish

TL2: Start m1 m2 m3 m1 m Finish

TL3: Start m1 m2 m3 m1 m3 m1 m Finish

Course SL

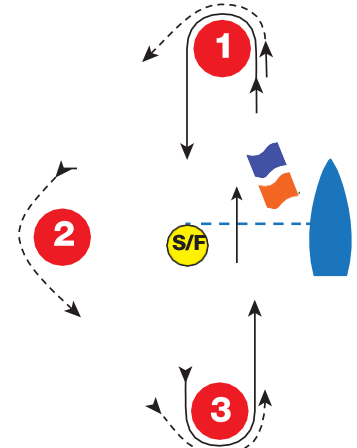


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SL3: Start m1 m2 mS/F m1 mS/F m 1 m Finish

Course M

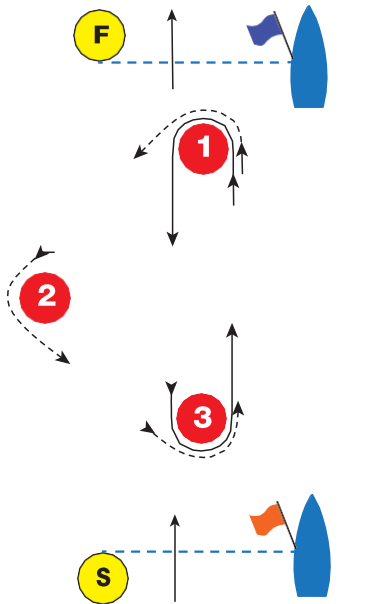


Triangle Course - Upwind Finish

M: Start m1 m2 m3 mFinish

M: Start m1 m2 m3 m1 m3 mFinish

Course TW

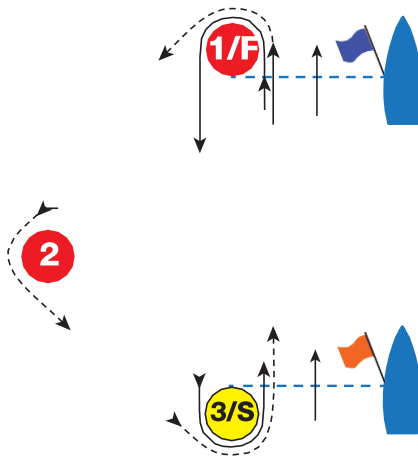


Triangle Course - Upwind Finish

TW2: Start m1 m2 m3 mFinish

TW3: Start m1 m2 m3 m1 m3 mFinish

Course SW

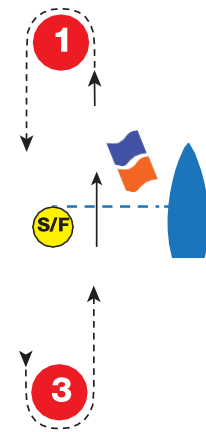


Triangle Course - Upwind Finish

SW2: Start m1 m2 m3 mFinish

SW3: Start m1 m2 m3 m1 m3 mFinish

Course K



Windward / Leeward - Upwind Finish

K2: Start m1 m3 mFinish

K3: Start m1 m3 m1 m3 mFinish

K4: Start m1 m3 m1 m3 m1 m3 m Finish

Note: For all M and K courses, the start/finish line is **closed**. The start/finish line ranks as an obstruction for boats that are not starting or finishing. See RRS 2021-2024 definition of obstruction.



JUNIOR SAILING

CHESAPEAKE BAY YACHT RACING ASSOCIATION

The Junior Division Committee consists of representatives from each of CBYRA's clubs that run Junior regattas and programs that support youth sailing. Together we organize the annual calendar, work on the website, host the annual CBYRA Highpoint awards, and promote clinics and races throughout the bay.

We've got an exciting schedule of regattas planned throughout our region for 2022. Whether it be participating in a State Championship event, a High Points regatta, club events, clinics and camps, the opportunities for Junior sailors to be out on the water this season are abundant, and we hope you will make the most of it.

Please review our calendar and other materials, and plot your course for a great season of sailing. Everything is available on the CBYRA web site, under the Junior Sailing section. This website will be continuously updated with links to Notice of Race documents and Sailing Instructions for all our events, and registration information. Keep checking it for the most up-to date information as the season draws near.

If you have any questions about CBYRA racing or the programs and events available to you at the clubs around the bay, contact any of our committee members. Contact information is on the web site. Our collective goal is to make sure there are a wide range of opportunities for Junior Sailors to enjoy sailing throughout the Chesapeake Bay region.





* Indicates a CBYRA Sanctioned High-Point event

Location	2026 Regatta Events	Date
Severn Sailing Association Annapolis, MD	29er Intro Clinic	May 16-17
Fishing Bay Yacht Club Deltaville, VA	M15 Intro Clinic	May 27-31
West River Sailing Club Galesville, MD	29er Clinics	May 29-31 June 12-14 July 17-19 Aug 14-16
Fishing Bay Yacht Club Deltaville, VA	Commonwealth Cup VA State Championship*	June 20-21
Norfolk Yacht and Country Club Norfolk, VA	Junior Annual Regatta*	June 23
Hampton Yacht Club Hampton, VA	USODA Chesapeake Bay Championship/Jr. Annual*	June 25-26
West River Sailing Club Galesville, MD	Maryland State Championship*	June 29
Annapolis Yacht Club Annapolis, MD	Junior Annual Regatta*	June 30
Severn Sailing Association Annapolis, MD	Sandy MacVickar Junior Regatta*	July 1
Baltimore County Sailing Center Baltimore, MD	Junior Annual Regatta*	July 9
Gibson Island Yacht Squadron Gibson Island, MD	Junior Annual Regatta*	July 10
Cambridge Yacht Club Cambridge, MD	Admiral Byrd Regatta*	July 18 – 19
Fishing Bay Yacht Club Deltaville, VA	Annual Regatta*	July 18-19
Lewes Yacht Club Lewes, DE	Junior Annual Regatta*	July 22
Rock Hall Yacht Club Rock Hall, MD	Junior Annual Regatta*	July 23
Miles River Yacht Club St. Michaels, MD	Miles River Junior Annual Regatta*	August 6
Tred Avon Yacht Club Oxford, MD	Oxford Annual Regatta*	August 8-9
Norfolk Yacht and Country Club	Hinman TR Championship	September 18-20

Norfolk, VA		
<u>Tred Avon Yacht Club</u> Oxford, MD	Green Fleet Clinic	September 19-20
<u>Tred Avon Yacht Club</u> Oxford, MD	Pumpkin Patch Regatta* (Fleet Sat / Team Sun)	September 19-20
<u>Annapolis Yacht Club</u> Annapolis, MD	Halloween Howl Regatta* USODA Chesapeake Bay Championship	November 7-8