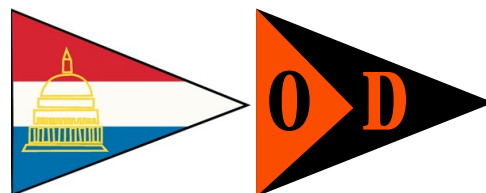


ODBC Foundation Regatta
Notice of Race
Organizing Authority: Old Dominion Boat Club
Sponsored by: Old Dominion Boat Club Foundation
On The Water Support provided by DISC
Saturday, August 26, 2023



The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

Early Registration: August 11, 2023 (1400 hours).

Late Registration: August 26, 2023 (0900)

Entry Fee: Pay or Raise: \$150 donation

To register and find more information about the event please follow this link:
<https://www.olddominionboatclub.com/event-4740698>

Skipper's Bag: Registration forms can be dropped off, and skipper's bags picked up during the Saturday morning registration period. Saturday's Post Race Party will be held at ODBC as soon after racing as possible.

Mail To: Send intention to race via e-mail to Foundation@olddominionboatclub.com,

Contact: Foundation@olddominionboatclub.com

Rules: This regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing. Conflict between Rules, "*If there is a conflict between the Event Sailing Instructions and the Notice Of Race, the Event Sailing Instructions shall apply.*" this modifies RRS 63.7.

Notices: The event notice board is electronic and is located at:
<https://www.olddominionboatclub.com/event-4891765>

Event Sailing Instructions and Notice(s) of Change will be posted up until 2400 on Friday August 25, 2023. On race day the Notice Board will be outside the ODBC.

Sailing Instructions: Sailing instructions will be available on the event Notice Board approximately one week before the event at <https://www.olddominionboatclub.com/event-4891765>

Registration: All competitors must register online at:

<https://www.olddominionboatclub.com/event-4891765>

Eligibility: All PHRF entries must have a valid 2023 PHRF of the Chesapeake rating certificate or proof of a submitted application to PHRF of the Chesapeake. [NP] All PHRF entries should meet US Sailing Near Shore requirements where applicable. One Design boats under 20 Ft. should meet their one design safety rules. All entries must comply with all local and US Coast Guard safety regulations. All entries must pay the regatta fees and sign all waivers to be scored.

By participating and entering this regatta, the boat owner/skipper and support persons agree to abide by the current Racing Rules of Sailing, the Notices of Race, Event

Sailing Instructions, PHRF of the Chesapeake class rules, applicable One Design class rules, and reasonable requests from any regatta official. Class rules for One Design boats under 20ft are modified to allow the use of VHF radios. By entering an event, the boat owner/skipper agrees that there are inherent risks to competitive sailing and, as such, 1) they are solely responsible for the decision whether to enter or continue any race (RRS 3), and, 2) they shall hold harmless DISC, ODBC Foundation and the DISC officers for any damage or liability that may occur during a race or regatta.

This event will be open to PHRF Spinnaker, PHRF Non-spinnaker, PHRF Cruising, Laser, Buccaneer, Albacore, Flying Scot, Lightning, I20, catamarans, and other fleets of five boats or more.

- Rendezvous:** A Skipper's Meeting will be held on the deck outside the marina store at Washington Sailing Marina at 0830 on Saturday August 26, 2023. On-water rendezvous at 0945 in the vicinity Potomac River R 4 (middle courses) for PHRF entries, and 1015 in the vicinity of Potomac River GR HP (North courses) for One Design and multi hull entries.
- Check In:** All entries must pass by their RC boat and hail their sail number and class to be scored.
- Radio:** Boats sailing in the middle course area should monitor VHF 69 for communications from the Race Committee. Boats sailing in the North course area should monitor VHF 71 for communications from the Race Committee. All radio communications will be a courtesy, timeliness, content, or a competitor's ability to receive or understand the message will not be considered grounds for redress. This modifies RRS 62.1a
- Start:** At 1000 (middle courses) between Potomac River R 4 and the orange flag on the Race Committee Signal Boat (middle courses), or 1030 (North courses) between the GR HP or a drop mark and the orange flag on the race committee boat.
- Signals:** The RRS 26 Starting System will be used.
- Courses:** Fixed government marks will be used for the middle courses. Code letters will be posted on the Race Committee boat. A description of all marks and their code letter designations are available at www.discsailing.org under Racing Resources. For the North courses, fixed governments marks or drop marks may be used, code flags will be used for course designation and number of laps. A description of the flags and courses will be included in the sailing instructions. Fixed mark courses are also listed at www.discsailing.org under racing resources (North Courses). The Race Committee will do it's best to select a course, that is based on the conditions the day of the race. It is the responsibility of each owner/skipper to know the draft of their own boat, and the depth of the selected course. The contour of the river bottom is constantly changing due to natural causes, and may not be what is noted on available nautical charts. Additionally, there are natural and manmade obstructions in the sailing area to include sunken trees and submerged pilings. All of these will affect the individual competitors in different manners based upon their boat's characteristics. Decisions whether to race, or tactical decision during a race are the owner/skipper's sole responsibility. Redress will not be given for running aground or into a submerged obstacle. This modifies RRS 62.1a.
- Scoring:** ODBC will use the Performance Handicap Racing Fleet of the Chesapeake rating system to foster competition between dissimilar boats. For the PHRF fleets Time-on-Distance (TOD) shall be used to determine corrected finish times, a yacht's CR (Circular Random) rating will be used for scoring. One Design fleets will be scored by their order of finish. The low point scoring system described in Appendix A4 will be used for all fleets.

- Finish:** For the middle courses the finish will be between Potomac River R 4 and the orange flag on the Race Committee Signal Boat or at a location determined by the Race Committee. For the North courses the finish line will be between the blue flag on the Race Committee Signal Boat and the government mark or drop mark (Pin). This may modify RRS S11.1, Race Signals.
- Time Limit:** 1.5 hours per race. No races will start after 1500.
- Protests:** The Race Committee must be informed of the intent to protest upon finishing or retiring. The time limit for submitting the protest form in writing will be 60 minutes after the last boat finishes. Protest forms may be handed to the Standing Race Committee, or emailed to Foundation@olddominionboatclub.com within the time limit.
- Waiver:** All participants will be required to sign a waiver. The waiver can be found at <https://www.olddominionboatclub.com/event-4891765> (Skippers Register Boat, All others register as crew)
- Awards:** 1st, 2nd & 3rd place trophies will be presented in the spinnaker, non-spinnaker, and other fleets of more than five boats registered by August 11, 2023 (1400). PHRF Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker fleets may be split for scoring. The awards ceremony will follow the completion of racing at the ODBC.
- Other:** Participating boats without a valid PHRF of the Chesapeake rating may be assigned a courtesy rating by the RC. Boats participate in this regatta entirely of their own volition (see RRS 3, 46). DISC and ODBC Foundation will not accept liability for damage or injury resulting from an incident arising before, during, or after the regatta.
- Shore Amenities: Three 1-ton cranes and two launch ramps are available for launch and recovery at Washington Sailing Marina. Some limited wet slips may be available through Washington Sailing Marina, 1 Marina Drive, Alexandria, VA on a first come basis at a discounted price. It is the intention of ODBC to arrange dockage, or shuttle from anchored boats at the post race party. Boats from Washington Sailing Marina should return to WSM after racing. There will not be overnight dockage available at ODBC.

The following rules have been modified in the Regatta Sailing Instructions:

RRS 63.7 **Conflict Between Rules**, Sailing Instructions will apply

RRS 62.1 **Redress**. All radio communication will be a courtesy. No Redress given for failure to receive or understand a radio transmission.

RRS 24, **Interfering With Another Boat**, Sailing in the area of the finish line after racing

RRS 31, **Touching A Mark**, Collision with the RC boat, penalty is to retire.

RRS 32.2 **Shortening The Course**, changes procedure and finish line

RRS , 44.1, 44.2, 44.3, **Exoneration, Penalties At The Time Of An Incident**, collision with the Race Committee boat, the penalty is to retire

RRS Definitions, A3, **Sailing The Course, Starting Times And Finishing Places**, Race Committee can finish competitors where they stand.

RRS 60.2, **Right To Protest**, Race Committee can protest a boat that interferes with commercial traffic or violates Y Flag Rule with information from a party with a *conflict of interest*.

RRS 60.1 **Right To Request Redress**, All boats must check in to be scored, no

redress given.

RRS 40, 60.2, 60.3a, **Y Flag**, Race Committee can protest with information from a person with a *conflict of interest*.

RRS S11.1, **Race Signals**, finish line between orange flag and pin. RRS V2 **Post-Race Penalties**, notify the Protest Committee.