



AYC Varsity Fleet Race
MASSA is the Organizing Authority
Hosted by
Annapolis Yacht Club
March 17th 2018

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the Inter Scholastic Sailing Association Procedural Rules (ISSA PR), and the MASSA Procedural Rules.
- 1.2 The Organizing Authority is MASSA.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 Competing schools must be members of ISSA and meet ISSA eligibility rules as prescribed in the Procedural Rules.
- 2.2 Teams must be accompanied by a designated adult team leader, who may be an advisor, coach or parent recognized by the school.
- 2.3 The regatta has 9 berths. Selection of competing schools will be from the regatta draft held earlier this year.

3 REGISTRATION AND FEES

None.

4 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday (March 17th)

Report Time (AYC)	0900
Competitors' Meeting (AYC)	0910
First Warning	1000
No Race After	1530

5 BOATS & EQUIPMENT

- 5.1 AYC 420s will be provided for all competitors, who shall not modify any boat or cause them to be modified in any way. Jib halyards tails shall remain rigged behind the spreaders. If boat is equipped with an auto-bailer it shall remain closed at all times while afloat.
- 5.2 The penalty for infringing upon 5.1 will be disqualification from all races sailed in contravention of those instructions.
- 5.3 Competitors shall report all damage or loss of equipment, however slight, to the dock/boat committee immediately after arriving on shore or to the Race Committee Signal Boat on the water.

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS & ROTATION

Sailing instructions will be made available prior to the event. The rotation of boats will be in accordance with the provided rotation sheet available at the competitors' meeting. Rotations will also be found online on Techscore.

- 6.1 Rotations will take place in the outer basin at SSA (unless otherwise specified)
- 6.2 Alternates and coaches may gather on the break wall/ docks at SSA. Sitting and placing gear on trailers is strictly prohibited. SSA bathrooms will be available for competitors as well.

7 RACING AREA

The racing area will be the mouth of Spa Creek as close as possible to the Severn Sailing Association (SSA).

8 COURSES

Based on conditions, the Race Committee will determine the courses as prescribed in ISSA PR 7.7. A W4 course with a windward offset and a leeward gate will be preferred.

9 PROTESTS

A competitor shall not communicate with a coach before reporting to the race committee the intention to protest. (ISSA PR Part VI).

10 SCORING

Scoring will be in accordance with ISSA PR 11.

11 SAFETY

11.1 Competitors shall wear USCG approved Type III Personal Flotation Devices (PFDs). Inflatable type PFDs are not permitted.

11.2 The race committee requires that *drysuits must be worn by all competitors* at all times on the water.

11.3 Failure to comply with 11.1 and/or 11.2 will be grounds for disqualification from all races sailed in contravention of those instructions.

11.4 Competitors shall supply the equipment to meet the requirements of 11.1 and 11.2.

11.5 At its 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.

12 COACHING

12.1 Will be in accordance with PR 8.

12.2 Coaches, team leaders, chaperones, advisors, parents, or other support personnel shall not go afloat in the sailing area on the published dates of the regatta, unless explicitly permitted by the regatta chairperson. The penalty for failing to comply with this requirement may be the disqualification of all boats, competitors, and teams associated with the infringing personnel.

12.3 Competitors may receive coaching, including instruction, assistance, equipment, or sustenance, only on the water near the docks or ashore.

13 PRIZES

No prizes will be given.

14 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

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