



17th Annual Halloween Howl October 28-30th, 2022

Organizing Authority: Annapolis Yacht Club, Annapolis, Maryland, USA
<http://www.annapolisyc.com/racing/regattas>



NOTICE OF RACE

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in this Notice of Race (NoR) means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification. The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the SIs or NoR means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 The "USODA, ILCA, C420 Conditions for Sanctioned Regattas and Championships" will apply. We strongly encourage every competitor to be a paid member of their respective classes.
- 1.3 [DP] Competitors shall wear a USCG approved personal flotation device (PFD) at all times while afloat, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. The PFD shall be wearable and be 100% dependent on foam for flotation. The PFD shall be the proper size for the wearer, and in good and serviceable condition. USCG Type III PFDs meet this requirement.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be available at <https://bit.ly/22HowlONB> approximately 5 days before the first scheduled day of racing.

3 COMMUNICATIONS

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at <https://bit.ly/22HowlONB>
- 3.2 On the water, the race committee intends to make courtesy broadcasts to support persons on VHF radio. The specific channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 3.3 All support boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on US VHF channels 9, 13, 16, 68, 69, 71, 72, and 73.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 Boats in the Optimist, Club 420, C420 Non-Spin, and all ILCA 4,6,7 classes are invited to participate.
- 4.2 Boats wishing to enter shall register online at: <https://bit.ly/22HowlONB>.
- 4.3 To be considered an entry and be scored in the regatta, a boat shall complete all registration steps including the waiver (see NoR 4.4 and pay all fees.)

- 4.4 [NP] A parent or legal guardian of every competitor (skippers and all crew) shall sign the AYC Liability and Waiver Agreement before they participate in any race of the regatta. The document will be available to review in advance on the event website (<https://bit.ly/22HowlONB>). Paper copies will be available at onsite registration.

5. FEES

- 5.1 Early registration and entry fee of \$100 for all ILCAs and Opti RWB Fleets, and \$175 for all Doublehanded Fleets, and \$85 for Green Fleet are due by 2359 on Friday, October 21st. After that, all registrations will increase by \$25 and will be accepted until 0930 on Saturday, October 29th, 2022. Entry fees are non-refundable.

5.2 Entry fees are:

Classes	Early Registration	Late Registration
C420 (Double Handed)	\$175	\$200
ILCA 4, ILCA 6, ILCA 7, & Optimist RWB	\$100	\$125
Optimist Green Fleet	\$85	\$110

- 5.3 The entry fee includes, at a minimum, coach boat launching via hoists/trailer storage, racing, guest access to club facilities, after racing party, and awards. Following racing on Saturday, Oct 29th there will be a Halloween Costume Party with food. Additional details will be included on the event website.

6. SCHEDULE

- 6.1 Onsite registration will be between 0800 and 0900 on Saturday, October 29th.

6.2 Early arrivals & practice day will be allowed on October 28th. The racing days will be Saturday, October 29th to Sunday, October 30th.

6.3 The warning signal for the first race of the regatta is scheduled for 1030.

6.4 Multiple races may be sailed each day, to be further detailed in the sailing instructions.

6.5 No warning signal will be made after 1500 on the last scheduled day of racing.

7 VENUE

7.1 The racing area will be in Whitehall Bay just off of Greenbury Pt. for the Lasers and C420s. Optimist RWB Fleet will be located between Lake Ogleton and Tolly Pt. The Optimist Green Fleet will be located in the Severn River or Spa Creek. Changes to race area locations will be posted on the Official Notice Board and communicated to competitors.

7.2 The regatta venue will be the AYC Sailing Center, 510 Severn Avenue, Annapolis, MD 21403.

8. THE COURSES

8.1 The courses to be sailed will be drop mark Courses.

9. SCORING

9.1 RRS Appendix A4, Low Point System, will apply as changed by the sailing instructions.

10. SAFETY

10.1 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.

10.2 Competitors without a designated support boat shall inform the organizing authority at registration.

11 [DP] COACHING

11.1 All persons aboard support vessels shall wear a USCG approved personal flotation device (PFD), if not a US Citizen, then an "approved" World Sailing flotation aid (PFD) will be accepted, at all times while afloat, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. The PFD shall be the proper size for the wearer, and in good and serviceable condition. Inflatable PFDs are permitted.

11.2 Support vessels may be responsible for up to a maximum of 10 sailors.

11.3 Except in the case of emergency, support vessels shall not enter the racing area from the preparatory signal until the last boat finishes or when the race committee gives permission to do so.

12 [DP] PARKING, TRAILER & SUPPORT BOAT LOGISTICS

12.1 Visiting Coach Boats may be launched from AYC's Sailing Center hoists one day prior to the event by appointment only with the AYC Jr. Sailing Director (see 15.1) and must be done with the assistance/supervision of AYC's Jr. Sailing Director or a member of AYC's Dockmaster staff. Launching is available between 0900 and 1900. All coach boats arriving on the day of the event will be required to launch and haul out at Truxton Park. Coach boats may store their trailers at the AYC Sailing Center.

12.2 Sailboat trailers may be unloaded and stored at AYC's Sailing Center starting 0900 Friday, October 28th. Competitor parking for private vehicles is on a space available basis each day. Additional parking is available on the surrounding streets in Eastport for free. All boats and coach boat trailers must be removed from the Sailing Center by 1200 Monday, October 31st.

13 AWARDS

13.1 Awards will be given to first, second and third places in the C420, ILCA 6, and all Optimist Classes. For ILCA 4, ILCA 7, C420 Non-Spin Classes there will need to be minimum of 8 valid entries in each class by 2359 October 14th, 2022 in order for awards to be presented.

13.2 Overall awards will be given to first through fifth places in the Optimist Red/White/Blue fleet if there are 30 or more entries.

13.3 Participation awards will be given to all competitors in the Optimist Green fleet.

13.4 An award will be given for the Best Costume in each class at Sunday's Awards Ceremony.

13.5 Additional awards may be awarded at the discretion of the organizing authority.

14 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

14.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race.

15 FURTHER INFORMATION

15.1 For more information contact:

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