



ANNAPOLIS 2015

**NATIONAL OFFSHORE
ONE-DESIGN REGATTA**

May 1-3, 2015 | Annapolis Yacht Club, 2 Compromise St, Annapolis, MD 21401

NOTICE OF RACE

Sailing World and the Annapolis Yacht Club are co-organizing authorities for this regatta. The Annapolis Yacht Club is the Host Club and will provide race management assisted by Eastport Yacht Club and the Severn Sailing Association. This is an official US SAILING sanctioned event.

1. RULES

This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS/US). Boats are urged to refrain from displaying advertisements for businesses or products competing with those of the primary and support sponsors of the event.

2. ADVERTISING:

Easily removable bow stickers shall be attached to the forward 25% of both sides of the boat's hull at all times while racing. The bow stickers are to be carried with the top approximately 6"-10" below deck level and with the leading edge approximately 10"-20" aft of the bow.

3. ELIGIBILITY:

3.1 The regatta is open to any boat in the following classes: Alberg 30, Beneteau 36.7, Cal 25 C&C 30, Catalina 27, Etchells, Farr 280, Farr 30, J22, J24, J30, J35, J70, J80, J105, J109, J 111, S2 7.9, Soling, Tartan Ten, Viper 640 and VX One.

Each class must have a minimum entry of six boats. Due to the number of classes anticipated at this event, entrants should be aware that there is a possibility that certain classes may be started together but still scored separately. The Organizing Authority reserves the right to add additional classes with a minimum of six entries.

3.2 The NOOD Regattas are open to those boats whose Owner and/or Skipper is a current member of their National Governing Body (US SAILING for USA members; to join call 1-800-877- 2451.)

4. FEES AND ENTRIES:

Entries shall be submitted on the official entry form. Classes shall meet eligibility requirements no later than April 20, 2015. Entries received or paid after Monday, April 13, 2015 at 5 PM, will be subject to a \$75 late fee. Please note this date when sending faxes or mail. Completed entry forms, with payment, shall be mailed to Helly Hansen NOOD REGATTA, c/o Sailing World, 55 Hammarlund Way, Middletown, RI 02842 or fax 401-845-5180. Late entries may be accepted solely at the discretion of Sailing World and the Annapolis Yacht Club. To receive a refund or cancel your entry, please call 401-845-4412 by April 24, 2015, no refunds will be issued after this date.

The Entry Fee will be based on boat size as follows:

Boat Size	Entry Fee
up to 24'	\$195
25'- 30'	\$230
31' - 40'	\$260

5. REGISTRATION:

A representative of each boat must report to registration at the Annapolis Yacht Club Junior Fleet Building, Thursday April 30th 2015 between 1700 and 1900. Crew lists and waivers of liability must be submitted by registration. In order to complete the waiver form online, skippers must complete the Crew List in the "Owner's Corner" during the entry process. Subsequently, individual crew members will be notified by email of their boat's entry and those crew members must follow up when notified in order to complete the waiver. No boat's registration will be complete without a completed waiver form. In the event of a crew member substitution during the regatta, the new crew member must submit a signed waiver of liability to the Organizing Authority prior to racing for that boat's entry to remain valid.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES:

Ten races are scheduled. Rendezvous near the mouth of the Severn River at 1000 each day. No warning signal will be made after 1430 hours on Sunday, May 3, 2015

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7. MEASUREMENT/WEIGH-IN

Measurement is not required, but each boat shall submit proof of holding a valid measurement certificate at registration if required by the class. Neither the Organizing Authority nor the Annapolis Yacht Club shall be responsible for conducting or administering weigh-ins should they be required by individual class rules.

Local or national class associations shall be responsible for conducting weigh-ins if needed.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

Sailing Instructions will be available at Registration and on the NOOD website <http://www.sailingworld.com/nood-regattas/annapolis> immediately prior to the event.

Amendments to the Sailing Instructions and Notices to Competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board at the Annapolis Yacht Club Junior Sailing Center.

9. VENUE:

Near the mouth of the Severn River on Chesapeake Bay.

10. COURSES:

The number of racing areas, specific locations and courses to be sailed will be provided in the Sailing Instructions. Class/Racing area assignments are subject to entries received. Drop-mark courses will be sailed near the mouth of the Severn River on Chesapeake Bay.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM:

11.1 Penalties while racing: RRS 41.1, One-Turn and Two-Turn Penalties will apply.

11.2 Penalties after racing: RRS/US Appendix T, Section D (Arbitration) will apply.

11.3 For the Farr 30 class only, RRS 44.1 is changed so that, except for infringements of Part 2 that occur within three boat lengths of a rounding mark or finishing mark, only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required.

12. SCORING:

12.1 RRS Appendix A4, Low Point System will apply.

12.2 Ten races are scheduled. One race will constitute a series.

12.3 Each boat's total score will be the sum of her scores for all races. This changes RRS Appendix A2.

13. RADIO COMMUNICATION:

The race committee intends to make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on Marine VHF radio. The specific channels for each racing area will be stated in the sailing instructions.

14. PRIZES:

14.1 Series prizes will be awarded by class.

14.2 An award will be made to the boat which, in the opinion of the Organizing Authorities had the best overall performance during the 2015 Helly Hansen Annapolis NOOD Regatta.

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY:

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 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.

16. INSURANCE:

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$US 300,000 per event or the equivalent.

17. PHOTOGRAPHERS AND TV RIGHTS

Competitors give absolute right and permission for any photographs or video footage taken of themselves or their competing boat to be published in any media whatsoever; for either editorial or advertising purposes, or to be used in press information.

18. COMPETITORS' CONDUCT

The skipper shall be responsible for the conduct of the crew before, during and after racing. In case of conduct that the Race Committee considers to be a gross breach of good manners or sportsmanship, destruction of property or failure to comply with a reasonable request by the Race Committee, the boat whose crew was at fault may be disqualified and/or subject to protest by the Race Committee under RRS 69. It is the Race Committee's intention to invoke this Instruction and RRS 69 in appropriate cases.