



**Hospice Cup XL**  
**Saturday, 18 September 2021**  
CBYRA Sanction # 332



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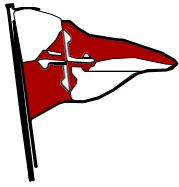
## **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

**There are 3 separate racing areas (1, 2, & 3) with specific Sailing Instructions for each area. The instructions for each area can be found in this document as follows:**

**Area 1** (Harbor 20, et. al.)                      **see pages: 2-5**

**Area 2** (Hospice, PHRF, & CRCA) **see pages: 6-10**

**Area 3** (J/105)                                      **see pages: 11-15**



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## **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AREA 1**

### **HARBOR 20 CLASS & OTHER SMALL ONE DESIGN CLASSES**

#### **1 RULES**

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#### **2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

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#### **4 POSTPONEMENT ASHORE**

- 4.1 A Postponement ashore, along with a new intended start time, may be announced on the competitors' VHF channel 69 and posted on the Regatta Website.
- 4.2 A Postponement ashore will end not less than 60 minutes before the new intended start time. This changes RRS Race Signals.

#### **5 SCHEDULE OF RACES**

- 5.1 At least Three (3) races are scheduled. However, fewer races may be sailed depending on conditions and one race will be sufficient to constitute a regatta.
- 5.2 Competitors' rendezvous will be at 1100 hours in the Severn River, 100 yards southeast of the Horn Point Shoal Mark ("HP," FI W 6.0s)
- 5.3 Check-in with the Race Committee signal boat is required. Please hail the RC with your sail number when passing astern of the signal boat on starboard tack. This check in shall be acknowledged by the RC.
- 5.4 The Warning Signal for the first race is intended to be made at 1200 hours.
- 5.5 No Warning Signal shall be made after 1530 hours.

#### **6 RACING AREA** -The racing area will be in the Severn River south of the main channel, between the entrance channel to Annapolis Landing and the entrance channel to Lake Ogleton.

#### **7 THE COURSE**

- 7.1 The course shall be a windward-leeward course with start and finish in the middle and THREE legs as shown in Appendix A.
- 7.2 The start and finish lines are closed on the downwind leg.
- 7.3 All rounding marks shall be kept to PORT.

## **8 MARKS**

The start/finish, windward and leeward marks will be pale red “hippetty-hop” balls approximately 24 inches in diameter.

## **9 THE START**

9.1 Starting order shall be Harbor 20 followed by Snipe.

9.2 The starting line shall be between the hoist of an orange flag on the RC Signal Boat and the course side of a set mark.

9.3 The class in sequence will be announced via VHF radio.

9.4 Races will be started as per Appendix U. This changes RRS 26.

9.5 Starts will not be rolling between classes.

## **10 RECALLS**

10.1 The Race Committee will attempt to notify boats identified as OCS by announcing their racing numbers verbally and on VHF 69. Failure to transmit or receive such notification will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.

10.2 In the event of a General Recall, the Race Committee will hail verbally and on VHF channel 69. The Race Committee may or may not display the flag First Substitute or the sound signals. This is not subject to redress. A general recall will send that class to the back of the starting order.

## **11 THE FINISH**

11.1 The finish line shall be between hoist of a blue flag on a RC Boat and the course side of a course mark.

## **12 TIME LIMIT**

12.1 If no boat in a class finishes within 1 hour of the class start, the race shall be abandoned.

12.2 Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat that sails the course and finishes shall be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE). This changes RRS 35 and A4. Boats leaving the course without finishing shall promptly notify the Race Committee on VHF channel 69.

## **13 PENALTY SYSTEM**

RRS 44.1 is changed so that when a rule of Part 2 is broken outside the Zone at a mark, and there is no injury or damage, and no significant advantage is gained, the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty. This changes RRS 44.1.

## **14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

14.1 RRS 61.1(a) is changed to require: “Notice of intent to protest and the racing number of the protested boat shall be given to the race committee promptly upon finishing by hail acknowledged by the race committee. A boat intending to protest but retiring before finishing shall notify the race committee of her intent and the racing number of the protested boat at the first reasonable opportunity. Hails on VHF channel 69 are acceptable.”

14.2 Protests or requests for redress are due online within two hours after the Race Committee signal boat docks. This changes RRS 62.2.

14.3 Notice(s) will be posted soon after receipt to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named witnesses.

## **15 SCORING**

15.1 RRS Appendix A4, Low Point System, will apply.

15.2 Boats to be scored TLE and not being penalized or given redress will be scored points equal to the number of boats finishing within the time limit, plus two points, by the Race Committee, without a hearing. This changes RRS A4.2 and A5.

## 16 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 16.1 Boats shall check in with the Race Committee Signal Boat prior to their first start of the day by hail of their sail number and an acknowledgement from the RC.
- 16.2 All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on VHF channels 9, 13, 16 and 69, the Area 1 RC channel.
- 16.3 A boat that retires from a race, or leaves the racing area before the end of racing, shall notify the RC at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 16.4 Penalties for breaking SIs 16.1, 16.2, 16.3, or RRS 55 may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.

## 17 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 17.1 The RC will communicate with competitors in Area 1 on VHF channel 69.
- 17.2 Boats are encouraged to make contact with commercial traffic on VHF channel 13, as required for safety.
- 17.3 Failure to hear a broadcast, the RC's failure to broadcast, or the content of any broadcast shall not be grounds for redress.

## 18 COMMERCIAL TRAFFIC

- 18.1 A boat may not exercise right of way, cross in proximity to, or interfere with reasonable transit of the race area by commercial traffic. A boat protested under this rule has the burden of proof that she complied with this rule. Boats shall take evasive action well in advance of any potential situations. The U.S. Coast Guard, ship captains, and bay pilots have been encouraged to report any incident they observe.
- 18.2 Boats may not protest other boats for breaking SI 18.1. This changes RRS 60.1.
- 18.3 The RC or PC may protest under SI 18.1, based on information received from any source. There is no time limit for protests filed under SI 18.1. This changes RRS 60.2, RRS 60.3, and RRS 61.3.
- 18.4 RRS 42.3 (Propulsion - Exceptions) is changed by adding: "(j) A boat that is without way in a ship channel may use any means of propulsion to clear the channel at the approach of commercial traffic provided that, when becoming clear of the commercial traffic, the boat has not improved their position as a result of this action. A boat claiming this exception shall report the incident in writing to the protest committee within the protest time limit, with all the facts necessary to substantiate the boat's speed and change of position during the incident."
- 18.5 RRS 62.1 (Redress) is changed by adding: "(e) clearing a ship channel in compliance with SI 18.4."

## 19 PRIZES

- 19.1 Prizes in each class will be given as follows:  
1<sup>st</sup> place for 3 entries, 2<sup>nd</sup>/6, 3<sup>rd</sup>/9, etc. and one for every 3<sup>rd</sup> additional entry.
- 19.2 Sponsored trophies are underwritten by multi-year pledges from corporate or individual sponsors.
- **Geri Manning Memorial Trophy** for the crew raising the most money
  - **Donnybrook-Brendan Trophy** awarded to the team with the highest percentage of youth crew participation
  - **The Van Metre Family Trophy**, new for 2021, awarded to the best performance in entire Hospice Cup Fleet
  - **The Hospice Cup** is the top honor awarded for best three-year performance; it qualifies the winner to compete in the annual Hospice Regattas National Championship against representatives of the many other hospice regattas sailed nationwide, each event patterned on this original hospice regatta.
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finish in each race and the amount of funds raised for each race. The amount of funds raised shall be given a higher multiplier (1.5) in the calculations. The skipper with best score in the three races and highest fundraising will be awarded the Triple Crown of Charity Sailing Trophy in October sponsored by Weems & Plath.

19.3 A casual post race award pickup will be at Horn Point Marina from 1730 to 1930. There will be food trucks, steel drums and beer.

## 20 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

This is a Clean Regatta. All competitors are strongly encouraged to use multi-use water bottles instead of disposable water bottles, and to recycle whenever possible. RRS 55 prohibits placing trash in the water. Shirts and Lunches may be ordered from <https://hospicecup.onlineweb.shop/>

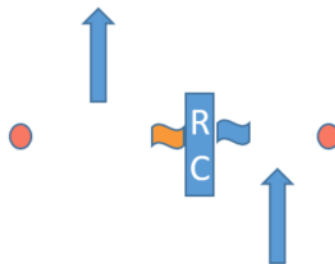
## 21 CHARITY

Hospice Cup is a charity event. Proceeds are donated to Hospice Cup, Inc., to benefit hospices in Virginia and Maryland. For information about making a tax-deductible donation, with guest privileges, or to learn about Hospice Cup, Inc., see [www.hospicecup.org](http://www.hospicecup.org).

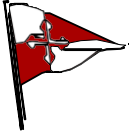
# APPENDIX A – COURSE DIAGRAM



START & FINISH LINES ARE  
CLOSED ON DOWNWIND LEG



Not to scale



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## **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS RACE AREA 2**

(Hospice, PHRF, CRCA & Others using Gov. Mark courses.)

### **1 RULES**

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### **4 POSTPONEMENT ASHORE**

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- 4.2 A Postponement ashore will end not less than 60 minutes before the new intended start time. This changes RRS Race Signals.

### **5 SCHEDULE OF RACES**

- 5.1 The skippers meeting of the **HOSPICE CLASS** will be held virtually on line or over the phone to brief competitors about the Sailing Instructions, the courses to be sailed and the Pursuit Start. The starting times for each boat will be announced and how to pick up a colored class streamer to attach to the backstay. Further details may be posted on line after entry registration is completed.
- 5.2 The **HOSPICE, PHRF, CAL 25, ALERION 28** and **CRCA** classes shall compete in one (1) race.
- 5.3 Competitors shall rendezvous at 1100 hours in the vicinity of **R2, FI 2.5s (CBYRA "X")**.
- 5.4 Check-in with the Race Committee signal boat is required. Please hail the RC on VHF channel 71 when you are within 100 feet – this will also serve as a radio check for each vessel.
- 5.5 The Warning Signal for the first **PHRF/CRCA** class race is intended to be made at 1125 hours.
- 5.6 The Warning Signal for the first **Hospice** class race is intended to be made at 1155 hours.
- 5.7 No Warning Signal shall be made after 1400 hours.

- 5.8 All **HOSPICE** class competitors shall display from the backstay an orange, pink(ish), or yellow streamer.
- 5.9 All **CRCA** classes competitors shall display from the backstay a white flag.
- 5.10 All **PHRF** (A,B,C,N) classes shall display from their backstay their class flag as specified in the CBYRA General SI 4.

**6 RACING AREA 2 - Chesapeake Bay, off Annapolis, North and East of R2 (CBYRA mark "X")**  
**7 THE COURSES**

- 7.1 RC shall announce on VHF 71 one of two possible courses to be sailed for the CRCA/PHRF classes long (8.1 NM) and then also a shorter course (6.4 NM) for the Hospice Classes. Boats will sail clockwise around the Green "S" course leaving marks to Starboard or they will sail counter clockwise around the Red 'P' course leaving marks to Port
- 7.2 The two (2) possible courses for the CRCA/PHRF classes are:

**RED "P" COURSE**

**START - WR87 - G91 - DM - FINISH**

All rounding marks shall be kept to port.

The CRCA course is approximately 8.1 nm.

**GREEN "S" COURSE**

**START - DM - G91 - WR87 - FINISH**

All rounding marks shall be kept to starboard.

- 7.3 The two (2) possible courses for the Hospice classes are:

**RED "P" COURSE**

**START - WR87 - DM - FINISH**

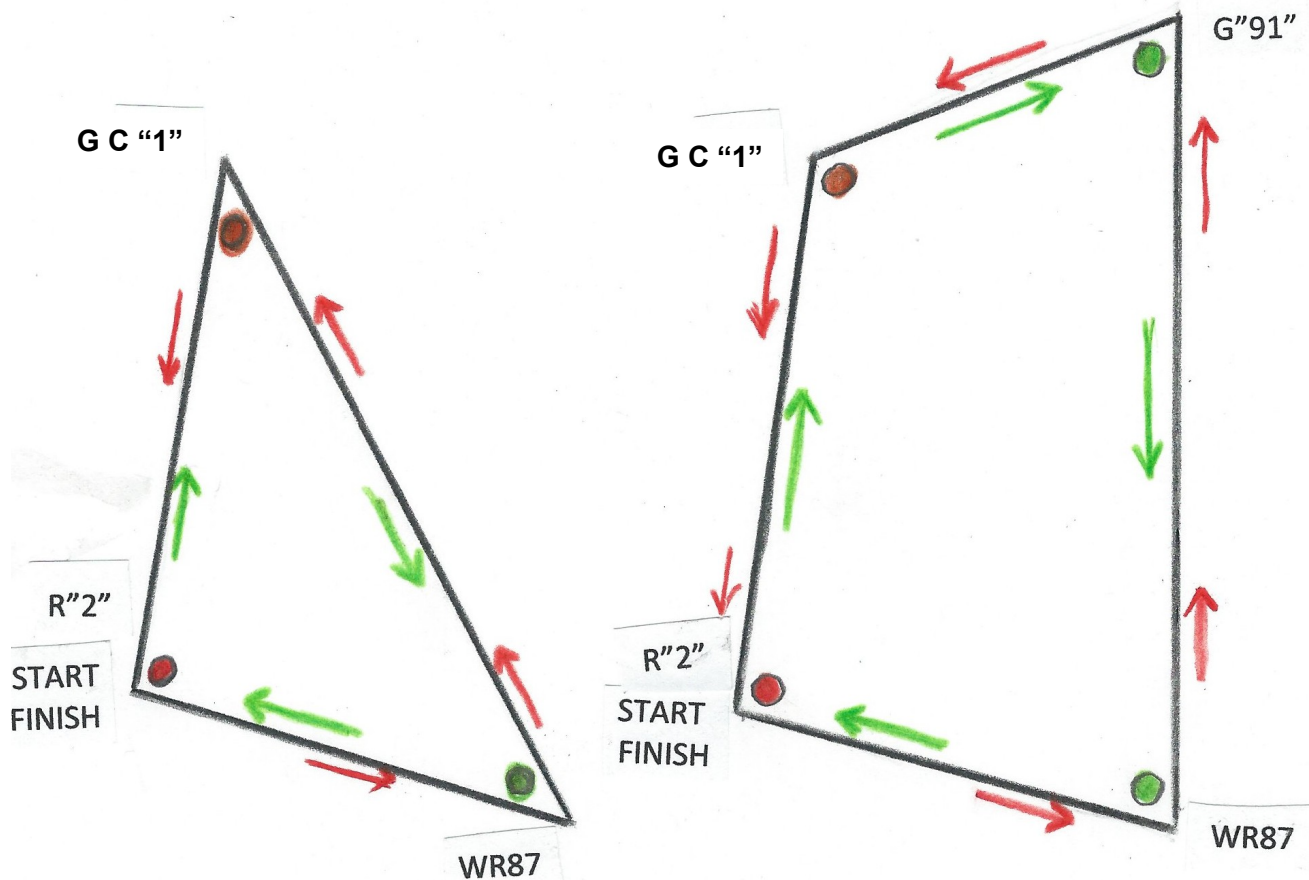
All rounding marks shall be kept to port.

The Hospice course is approximately 6.4 nm.

**GREEN "S" COURSE**

**START - DM - WR87 - FINISH**

All rounding marks shall be kept to starboard.



## 8 MARKS

The marks have the following approximate Lat/Long coordinates.

| <u>R2, FI R 2.5s</u> | <u>Hackett's C 1</u> | <u>WR87, Q G</u> | <u>G91, FI G 4.0s</u> |
|----------------------|----------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| N 38° 56.48'         | N38 58.20'           | N 38° 55.98'     | N 38° 59.01'          |
| W 076° 25.46'        | W76 24.85'           | W 076° 23.56'    | W 076° 23.27'         |

- 8.1 The drop mark DM (orange inflatable) will no longer be used – instead green can “1” near Hackett’s Point will serve as the mark of the course.

## 9 The CRCA/PHRF & OTHERS START

- 9.1 A notice of intended starting order will be posted by 2300 September 17.
- 9.2 The start line shall be between the hoist of an orange flag on the RC boat and the course side of **R2, FI 2.5s (CBYRA “X”)**.
- 9.3 For classes, **Other than Hospice Classes**, Rule 26 of the RRS will be used for starting with the exception that all flags will be verbalized via VHF radio and will not be displayed. There will be a horn blast at each interval, which will take precedence for timing.
- 9.4 The first warning signal for CRCA/PHRF is scheduled for 1125 hours. More details to be posted after registration is complete.
- 9.5 The Race Committee will attempt to notify boats identified as OCS by announcing their racing numbers on VHF 71. Failure to transmit or receive such notification will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.

## 10 THE PURSUIT START- 10.1 thru 10.10 apply to **Hospice classes only**.

- 10.1 This shall be a pursuit race with a reverse Assigned Rating Time over Distance (ToD) starting order. The boat with the slowest (largest) rating will start first and the fastest (smallest) shall start last.
- 10.2 The RC intends to signal the starting sequence as follows (this changes RRS 26):
- | Time | Signal                                         | Sound     |
|------|------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| 1155 | Warning signal for all boats                   | Horn      |
| 1156 | Preparatory signal for the first boat to start | Horn      |
| 1159 | One Minute until start                         | Long horn |
| 1200 | Starting signal for the first boat to start    | Horn      |
- 10.3 For the purposes of definition of “racing,” each boat’s preparatory signal is four (4) minutes prior to her scheduled start.
- 10.4 The start times for all boats will be based on their Assigned ToD handicap. The RC shall use GPS time synchronization.
- 10.5 The start time for each boat, including its time interval from the first start, shall be available Friday evening, 17 September or earlier and will be posted on the regatta website.
- 10.6 The start line shall be between the hoist of an orange flag on the RC boat and the course side of mark **R2, FI 2.5s (CBYRA “X”)**.
- 10.7 **After the warning signal for the first start, boats shall stay clear of the starting area until 4 minutes before their scheduled starting time.**
- 10.8 RRS 29.1 is replaced with: “When at a boat’s starting signal any part of her hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line, the RC shall make note of OCS and record the actual starting time. OCS boats should not attempt to restart. **Individual Recall, code flag “X,” will not be used.**” This changes RRS 29.1.
- 10.9 Boats that are On Course Side will receive a scoring penalty of five (5) minutes plus the amount of time early. This changes RRS 44.3(c).
- 10.10 In the event a postponement is signaled on the water, the RC shall announce the revised start times on VHF channel 71 before lowering the postponement flag.

## 11 THE FINISH

- 11.1 The finish line for **All Classes** shall be between the hoist of an orange flag on the RC boat and



- the course side of mark **R2, FI 2.5s (CBYRA “X”)**.  
11.2 The RC may shorten the course at any rounding mark in accordance with RRS 32.

## **12 TIME LIMIT**

The race may be shortened or abandoned in accordance with RRS 32. If at least one boat has finished the RC will report this on VHF and there will be no time limit for the remaining boats in that class if they wish to finish. However, the RC signal boat may not remain on station past 1630 hours. If there is no RC boat at the finish record your own GPS time and note any competitors ahead or behind you. Report your finish time, DNF, or WD to the RC as soon as possible.

## **13 PENALTY SYSTEM**

For Hospice classes & CRCA classes, RRS 44.3 is to be used. This 20% scoring penalty requires that a yellow flag be flown and the Race Committee be notified. No turns are required.

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- 15 SCORING** Boats will be scored in the order of finish (pursuit race) or by TOT corrected elapsed times for PHRF and CRCA classes. PHRF TOT A&B factors will be posted before 1700 Sept. 17.

## **16 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 16.1 Except for the **HOSPICE** classes, boats shall check in with the RC Signal Boat prior to their first start of the day by hail of their sail number (or name if no sail number) and an acknowledgement from the RC.
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## **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AREA 3**

(J-105 & Large One Designs wanting W/L courses)

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4.2 A Postponement ashore will end not less than 60 minutes before the new intended start time. This changes RRS Race Signals.

### **5 SCHEDULE OF RACES: ONE-DESIGNS (J105 et. al.)**

5.1 At least Three (3) races are scheduled. However, fewer races may be sailed depending on conditions and one race will be sufficient to constitute a regatta.

5.2 Competitors shall rendezvous at 1000 hours in the vicinity of **CBYRA "X"** (R2, FI 2.5s). The racing area is shown in Figure A-1.

5.3 Check-in with the Race Committee signal boat is required.

5.4 The Warning Signal for the first race is intended to be made at 1100 hours.

1.4 No Warning Signal shall be made after 1530 hours.

1.5 **ONE-DESIGN** racers are encouraged to display from the backstay their class flag as specified in the CBYRA General SI 4.

**6 RACING AREA:** Chesapeake Bay, off Annapolis. See Figure A-1

### **7 THE COURSES**

7.1 The courses will be windward-leeward, twice around, and the leeward mark or gate will be above the Start/Finish line.

- 7.2 No later than the Warning Signal, the course to be sailed, the approximate heading, and the distance to the first mark will be announced on VHF channel 72.
- 7.3 Rounding marks shall be passed to port.
- 7.4 RC may set a leeward gate. If a leeward gate is placed, boats shall pass between the two marks.
- 7.5 RC may set a weather offset mark. If used, the weather offset mark shall be passed to port.
- 7.6 The leeward mark/gate is not a mark of the course during the first or last leg of the course.
- 7.7 When the first mark of the course is to be a change mark, this will be announced on VHF channel 72.

## **8 MARKS**

- 8.1 Start/Finish mark will be a yellow tetrahedron. All other marks will be orange tomatoes.
- 8.2 The first change mark shall be a yellow tomato. Subsequent change mark will revert to the previous type of mark.

## **9 THE START**

- 9.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC Signal Boat, and the course side of starting mark on the port end of the line.
- 9.2 The Starting Area is defined as extending 100 yards beyond each end of the starting line and 100 yards behind the starting line and its extensions. Boats shall keep clear of the Starting Area and the first leg of the course until the Signal Boat has sounded its class warning signal.
- 9.3 The intended starting order will be posted on the Regatta Website on or before Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>. Subsequent starts may be in a different order so as to maximize racing for all classes.
- 9.4 The class in sequence will be announced via VHF radio.
- 9.5 Rule 26 of the RRS will be used for starting with the exception that all flags will be verbalized via VHF radio and will not be displayed. There will be a horn blast at each interval, which will take precedence for timing.
- 9.6 There may be a break in the starting sequence which will be announced on VHF channel 72. Failure to receive such notification will not be grounds for redress.

## **10 RECALLS**

The Race Committee will attempt to notify boats identified as OCS by announcing their racing numbers on VHF 72. Failure to transmit or receive such notification will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.

## **11 CHANGE OF COURSE**

To change the next leg of the course, the RC 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.

## **11 THE FINISH**

The finish line shall be between the staff or halyard on the RC Signal Boat displaying a blue flag and the course side of the finishing mark.

## **12 TIME LIMIT**

RRS 35 (Time Limit) is replaced by: "If the first boat in her class does not finish within two (2) hours, the race shall be abandoned. Boats still racing twenty (20) minutes after the first boat in her class finishes, and not subsequently retiring, being penalized or given redress, will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired, see Scoring) and should proceed to the starting area if another race is scheduled.

## **13 PENALTY SYSTEM**

RRS 44.1 is changed so that when a rule of Part 2 is broken outside the zone at a mark, and there is no injury or damage, and no significant advantage is gained, the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

## **14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 14.1 RRS 61.1(a) is changed to require: "Notice of intent to protest and the racing number of the protested boat shall be given to the race committee promptly upon finishing by hail acknowledged by the race committee. A boat intending to protest but retiring before finishing shall notify the race committee of her intent and the racing number of the protested boat at the first reasonable opportunity. Hails on VHF channel 72 are acceptable."
- 14.2 Protests or requests for redress shall be filed online and are due within one hour after the Race Committee signal boat docks. This changes RRS 62.2.
- 14.3 Notices of protests by the RC or PC will be posted on the Official Notice Board and emailed to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 14.4 Notice(s) will be posted soon after receipt to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named witnesses.

## **15 SCORING**

- 15.1 RRS Appendix A4, Low Point System, will apply.
- 15.2 One (1) scored race is required to constitute a series.
- 15.3 A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. This changes RRS A2.
- 15.4 Boats to be scored TLE and not thereafter retiring, being penalized or given redress will be scored points equal to the number of boats finishing within the time limit plus two (2) points by the race committee without a hearing. This changes RRS A4.2 and A5.
- 15.5 One-design scoring will be granted for any class with at least 3 entries

## **16 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 16.1 Boats shall check in with the RC Signal Boat prior to their first start of the day by hail of their sail number (or name if no sail number) and an acknowledgement from the RC.
- 16.2 All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on VHF channels 9, 13, 16 and 72, the RC courtesy channel for Race Area 3.
- 16.3 A boat that retires from a race, or leaves the racing area between races, shall notify the RC at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 16.4 Penalties for breaking SIs 16.1, 16.2, 16.3, or RRS 55 may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.

## **17 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS**

- 17.1 RC will communicate with competitors on VHF channel 72.
- 17.2 Boats are encouraged to make contact with commercial traffic on VHF channel 13, as required for safety.
- 17.3 Failure to hear a broadcast, the RC's failure to broadcast, or the content of any broadcast shall not be grounds for redress.

## **18 COMMERCIAL TRAFFIC**

- 18.1 A boat may not exercise right of way, cross in proximity to, or interfere with reasonable transit of the race area by commercial traffic. A boat protested under this rule has the burden of proof that she complied with this rule. Boats shall take evasive action well in advance of any potential situations. The U.S. Coast Guard, ship captains, and bay pilots have been encouraged to report any incident they observe.
- 18.2 Boats may not protest other boats for breaking SI 18.1. This changes RRS 60.1.
- 18.3 The RC or PC may protest under SI 18.1, based on information received from any source. There is no time limit for protests filed under SI 18.1. This changes RRS 60.2, RRS 60.3, and RRS 61.3.

- 18.4 RRS 42.3 (Propulsion - Exceptions) is changed by adding: "(j) A boat that is without way in a ship channel may use any means of propulsion to clear the channel at the approach of commercial traffic provided that, when becoming clear of the commercial traffic, the boat has not improved their position as a result of this action. A boat claiming this exception shall report the incident in writing to the protest committee within the protest time limit, with all the facts necessary to substantiate the boat's speed and change of position during the incident."
- 18.5 RRS 62.1 (Redress) is changed by adding: "(e) clearing a ship channel in compliance with SI 18.4."

## 19 PRIZES

- 19.1 Prizes in each class will be given as follows:  
1<sup>st</sup> place for 3 entries, 2<sup>nd</sup>/6, 3<sup>rd</sup>/9, etc. and one for every 3<sup>rd</sup> additional entry.
- 19.2 Sponsored trophies are underwritten by multi-year pledges from corporate or individual sponsors.
- **Geri Manning Memorial Trophy** for the crew raising the most money
  - **Donnybrook-Brendan Trophy** awarded to the team with the highest percentage of youth crew participation
  - **The Van Metre Family Trophy**, new for 2021, awarded to the best performance in entire Hospice Cup Fleet
  - **The Hospice Cup** is the top honor awarded for best three-year performance; it qualifies the winner to compete in the annual Hospice Regattas National Championship against representatives of the many other hospice regattas sailed nationwide, each event patterned on this original hospice regatta.
  - **Annapolis Triple Crown Charity Trophy** This trophy is a partnership between the Leukemia Cup, CRAB Regatta and Hospice Cup. Racers must participate in each of the three charity regattas AND fundraise. The calculation for the winner shall be the order of finish in each race and the amount of funds raised for each race. The amount of funds raised shall be given a higher multiplier (1.5) in the calculations. The skipper with best score in the three races and highest fundraising will be awarded the Triple Crown of Charity Sailing Trophy in October sponsored by Weems & Plath.
- 19.3 A casual post race award pickup will be at Horn Point Marina from 1730 to 1930. There will be food trucks, steel drums and beer.

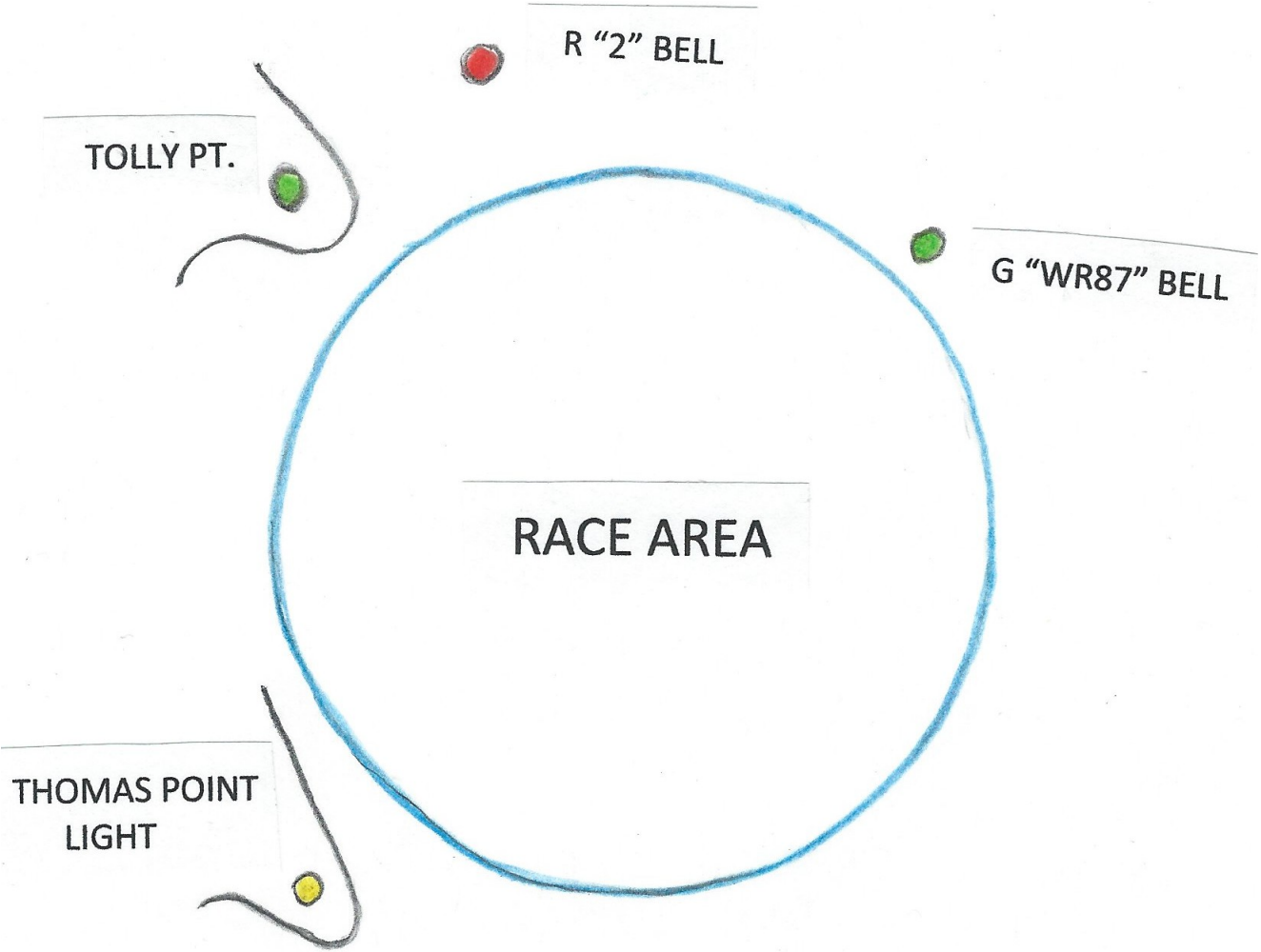
## 20 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

This is a Clean Regatta. All competitors are strongly encouraged to use multi-use water bottles instead of disposable water bottles, and to recycle whenever possible. RRS 55 prohibits placing trash in the water. Shirts and Lunches may be ordered from <https://hospicecup.onlineweb.shop/>

- 21 **CHARITY** Hospice Cup is a charity event. Proceeds are donated to Hospice Cup, Inc., to benefit hospices in Virginia and Maryland. For information about making a tax-deductible donation, with guest privileges, or to learn about Hospice Cup, Inc., see [www.hospicecup.org](http://www.hospicecup.org).

FIGURE A-1

RACE AREA 3



Race Area for J-105, et. al.