



2017 J/35 North American Championship September 21-24, 2017

Organizing Authority: Annapolis Yacht Club,
Annapolis, Maryland, USA

Website: <http://www.annapolisyc.com/racing/regattas>



NOTICE OF RACE

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in this NoR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1 RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 Boats of the J/35 class are invited to participate.
- 2.2 Registration and entry fee of \$390 are due by 1700 on September 18. Entry fees paid before 1700 on September 8 will receive a \$10 discount. Entry fees are payable in full upon registering and are non-refundable.
- 2.3 The entry fee includes racing and all social events for up to 9 total crew members. Additional details will be included on the event website or the sailing instructions.
- 2.4 Boats wishing to enter shall register on line at: <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=3032>
- 2.5 To be considered an entry in the regatta, a boat shall complete all registration steps and pay all fees.

3 CLASSIFICATION

- 3.1 J/35 class rules (J35CR) Appendix 1 will apply. Not more than one competitor classified as Group 3 shall sail aboard each boat.
- 3.2 J35CR Appendix 2 will apply. A Group 3 competitor shall be prohibited from steering a boat of which he or she is not a bona fide owner or co-owner.

4 SCHEDULE

- 4.1 The schedule will be:

Date	Time	Event
Thu, Sept 21	0900-1800	Onsite registration and inspection
Fri, Sept 22	1100	First scheduled warning signal. 3 races scheduled
	After racing	Social at AYC Sailing Center (550 Severn Avenue)
Sat, Sept 23	1100	First scheduled warning signal. 3 races scheduled
	After racing	Casual Dinner at AYC Clubhouse (12 Dock Street)
Sun, Sept 24	1100	First scheduled warning signal. 2 races scheduled
	1430	No warning signal made after this time
	After racing	Prizegiving

- 4.2 Eight races are scheduled.

- 4.3 Scheduled races not completed on September 22 and 23 will be rescheduled for the next day.

- 4.4 No more than 4 races will be sailed in a day, except on the last day when no more than 3 races will be sailed.

5 MEASUREMENT AND INSPECTION

- 5.1 Teams sailing with more than nine total crew members shall be weighed during onsite registration and inspection for compliance with J35CR 5.5.1.
- 5.2 All sails shall have a valid sailmaker's measurement stamp.
- 5.3 Boats will be inspected for compliance with class rules.
- 5.4 Advance inspection is available in the Annapolis area from September 16-20 by appointment only. Contact Jim Sagerholm at jsagerholm@gmail.com to make an appointment.
- 5.5 Inspections on September 21 will be at the AYC Sailing Center.

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The SIs will be available on the event website by 1700 on August 21.

7 VENUE

- 7.1 The racing area will be the Chesapeake Bay off the mouth of the Severn River.
- 7.2 The regatta venue will be the AYC Sailing Center, 550 Severn Avenue, Annapolis, MD 21403.

8 THE COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be drop mark courses.

9 PENALTY SYSTEM

RRS Appendix T, Arbitration, will apply.

10 SCORING

- 10.1 RRS Appendix A4, Low Point System, will apply.
- 10.2 A boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores.
- 10.3 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

11 COMMUNICATIONS

- 11.1 The official notice board will be located electronically on the event website.

- 11.2 [DP] Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.
- 11.3 On the water, the race committee intends to make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The specific channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 11.4 All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on US VHF channels 9, 13, 16, 68, 69, 70, 71, and 72.

12 BERTHING

Courtesy berthing for visiting boats is available at AYC with advance reservation from September 16 through September 25.

13 [DP] HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Boats shall be afloat and shall not be hauled out from 1800 on September 21 until the end of the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

14 [DP] CLEANING OF HULLS AND PLASTIC POOLS

- 14.1 Boats shall not be cleaned below the waterline from 1800 on September 21 until the end of the regatta.
- 14.2 Plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used from 1800 on September 21 until the end of the regatta.

15 PRIZES

- 15.1 Prizes will be given to the top 3 boats in the regatta.
- 15.2 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organizing authority.

16 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.

17 INSURANCE

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

18 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 18.1 Non-AYC members may organize guest cards at the front desk of the AYC Clubhouse (12 Dock Street).
- 18.2 For more information contact:
AYC Regatta Manager: Linda Ambrose,
lambrose@annapolisyc.org, 410.858.4964
Event Chair: Jim Sagerholm, jsagerholm@gmail.com