



MASSA Keelboat Championship
MASSA is the Organizing Authority
Hosted by
Annapolis Yacht Club
November 1-2, 2014

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 ISSA Procedural Rules (including MASSA), this Notice of Race, and the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 The J/22 class rules shall not apply.
- 1.3 RRS 63.7 is replaced with” “If there is any conflict between the Sailing Instructions and the Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions shall apply.”

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 Eligible schools must enter by submitting notice of entry by email to jlabuzetta@annapolisyc.org before October 11, 2014.
- 2.4 Teams shall be comprised of crew of 4. The maximum weight for each team shall be 600 pounds. Teams will be weighed in at regatta check-in. No substitutions will be allowed during the regatta.

3 ENTRY FEE

None.

4 DAMAGE DEPOSIT

All skippers will be required to provide a \$500 damage deposit prior to the start of racing by providing credit card information or AYC member number at registration. The deposit is a per-incident maximum. If a skipper has more than one incident, he or she is then liable for up to \$500 for each individual incident. Skippers should be aware that while the AYC Staff will attempt to identify all damage at the post-regatta inspection, often this is not possible due to the nature of the damage. The skipper is responsible for all damage, even if it is discovered only after the post-regatta inspection. In the event that there is material damage not covered by insurance and no one acknowledges responsibility, the cost of repairs will be charged to all the designated skippers on a prorated basis.

5 BOATS

- 5.1 Competitors shall provide their own J/22.
- 5.2 There will be no rotation of boats.
- 5.3 AYC can provide up to three (3) boats free of charge to the first teams to confirm a need. Beyond those 3, we will attempt to organize low-cost local charters if team(s) cannot trailer boats here or borrow locally through their own contacts. Teams are strongly encouraged to provide their own sails if borrowing AYC boats. AYC makes no claims as to the condition of provided boats.

6 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday (11/1)

Report time (AYC Annex)	0900
Weigh-in and registration	0900-0930
Competitors' Meeting	0930
First Warning (approximate)	1100

Sunday (11/2) *Note* Racing will only be held on Sunday if necessary. See PR 7.4.

First Warning (approximate)	1000
No Race After	1500
Awards	Immediately after all equipment is stored.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be made available at check-in on 11/1.

8 RACING AREA

The racing area shall be roughly between Greenbury Pt and Tolly Pt and is outlined below.

9 COURSES

W4 will be preferred.

10 SCORING

Scoring will be in accordance with ISSA PR 9.

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 may require the use of drysuits or full-length wetsuits. This may be announced at the daily competitors' meeting, and need not be signaled.
- 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 ISSA PR 8.
- 12.2 Coaches will be provided with RIBs to watch racing.
- 12.3 Competitors may receive coaching, including instruction, assistance, equipment, or sustenance, only between races.
- 12.4 Except in an emergency, coaches cannot communicate with their teams by VHF.

13 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

14 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 14.1 The race committee intends to make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The specific channel will be stated in the sailing instructions.
- 14.2 Competitors must provide their own handheld VHF to carry aboard if they intend to listen to courtesy broadcasts.

15 PRIZES

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 CONTACTS

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ATTACHMENT 1 - REGATTA VENUE

Junior Sailing Center (Junior Annex) is located at 310 ½ Sixth St., Annapolis, MD 21403. Teams bringing boats MUST notify AYC by email at least one week prior to arrival to ensure storage at AYC. Boats will be stored at the Sailing Center, located at 550 Severn Ave., Annapolis, MD 21403.



ATTACHMENT 2 - RACE AREA

