



2025 SCC EWE Spirit Cup

Saturday, May 17, 2025

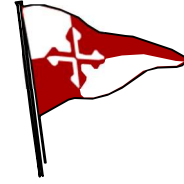
Organization Authority:

Sailing Club of the Chesapeake

Annapolis, MD USA

<http://scc1944.clubexpress.com>

CBYRA Sanctioned Event #307



In Support of the EWE Spirit Foundation

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 Rules

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing. The US Sailing SER "Nearshore Safety Equipment Requirements" apply and confirm or supplement the USCG requirements and the Racing Rules of Sailing except as amended by specific class association rules. J/105 Class Rules are modified by Article IX of the local J-105 Fleet-3 Article/Rules. This event is designated Level 1A. J-105 Fleet-3 Articles/Rules can be found at <https://www.j105fleet3.org/rules>

2 Communications

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official event website

<https://www.yachtscore.com/emenue/50017>.

On the water, the race committee intends to make all announcements to competitors via VHF channel 73.

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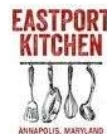
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3 Schedule

Pursuit Division: The Warning signal will be made at 1205 Saturday, May 17, 2025 at GC"7" off Horn Point. Racing will be a pursuit style start. The starting sequence will be posted 24 hours prior to the start.

River Division: New for 2025, River Division will have a separate course for the Harbor 20s and the Melges 15s, and any other small one design class with five (5) or more entries. The first warning signal will be made at 1200 Saturday, May 17, 2025. The River Division will utilize the RRS Appendix U (e.g., three (3) minute dinghy style) start and drop mark WL courses. Please remain in the vicinity of the start/finish line after the first race. Subsequent starts will be shortly after the last finisher. As many as three (3) races per class will be held.

4 Class flags

Class flags shall be flown in accordance with CBYRA Green Book.

5 Racing area

Pursuit Division: The racing area will be the Severn River and Chesapeake Bay between Sandy Point and Hackett's Point.

River Division: The racing area will be the Severn River off Bembe Beach, east of Horn Point.

6 Course and marks

The following marks shall always be passed on the channel side **for all keelboat classes.**

- "1AH" at Tolly Point
- FL R 6S 15ft 4M "4" off Greenbury Point
- FL 6s 15ft 4M "HP", a.k.a. the shoal pole

Pursuit Division:

The course will consist of a triangle with three (3) vertices:

- GC "1" off Hackett's Point

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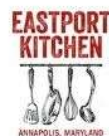
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- GR C “SR” approximately 700 yards SSE of Thomas Point Lighthouse
- GC “7” approximately 500 yards NE by E of the Horn Point “shoal pole”

Alternate mark for smaller boats and/or lighter winds forecast:

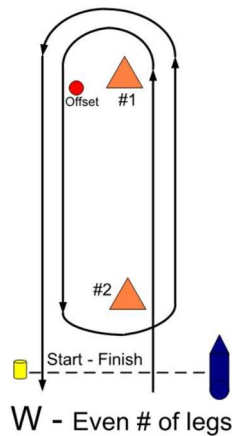
- FL R 2.5s R”2” at the mouth of the Severn River

The attached diagrams (**Appendix A**) show the course marks. All marks shall be rounded to port. The course length and specific marks to be used will be posted 24 hours prior to the start.

The course may be sailed in either direction, except for the J/105 class. For the J/105 class, all boats will sail the course in the same direction. The course direction for the J/105 class will be announced via VHF prior to the first warning signal of the day.

River Division:

The course will be WL around drop marks. All marks will be pink hippity-hop balls. An offset mark (as shown in the diagram below) may or may not be used. The course length and configuration will be announced prior to the start. The intent is to sail three (3) races of about 30 minutes each.



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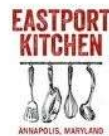
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7 Start

7.1 Pursuit Division

The start shall lie between GC"7" and an orange flag on the Race Committee boat to the SW of the mark. Each boat shall have a prescribed pursuit style starting time corresponding to her rating and calculated for the course distance. Boats may start no earlier than their assigned start time. Any vessel starting early will receive a 5-minute penalty without a hearing and need not re-start. The starting sequence will be posted online. Starting times may be altered by postponement. As a courtesy only, the race committee will make broadcasts on VHF channel 73 of the time during the pursuit style starting sequence. A boat that does not start within 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

7.2 River Division

The start shall lie between a drop mark and an orange flag on the RC boat. The 3-minute dinghy style starting sequence (Appendix U) will be used. As a courtesy only, the race committee will make broadcasts on VHF channel 65. A boat that does not start within three (3) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

8 Finish

The finish line shall lie between a drop mark and an orange flag on the RC boat.

9 Time limit

Any yacht not finishing by 1630 Saturday May 17, 2025 will be scored TLE. For the River Division only, any yacht not finishing within 20 minutes of the first finisher in her class will be scored TLE.

10 Protests

This is supposed to be fun. Please sail with a sense of sportsmanship! If you break a rule or foul another boat, please take your penalties on the water. Otherwise, if you must, file electronically using [US Sailing 2025-Hearing Request Form FINAL.pdf](#).

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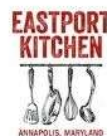
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11 Scoring

Pursuit Division: Only one (1) race will be held. Boats will be scored by class in order of finish. Finishes will be scored using PHRF ratings as appropriate.

River Division: Three (3) races are planned. One (1) race shall constitute a regatta. Boats will be scored by class in order of finish.

12 Safety

A boat that retires shall notify the RC as soon as possible via VHF channel 73 or via email scc1944.rc@gmail.com A boat shall not exercise right of way, cross in proximity to, or interfere with reasonable transit of the race area by commercial traffic of any kind. Boats must take evasive action well in advance of a potentially dangerous situation. The US Coast Guard, ship captains, and bay pilots have been encouraged to report any incident they observe. A boat without way may use any means of propulsion to avoid underway commercial traffic, provided:

- (a) the boat does not gain an advantage,
- (b) using the propulsion is the boat's only means of avoiding the commercial traffic, and
- (c) the boat submits a report (in writing or by email) to the RC by the protest filing deadline that describes the incident and the boat's actions.

13 Awards

BEER! For all sailors of legal drinking age, to be collected after finishing from a separate Race Committee boat approximately 50 yards NW of the finish line. Enjoy it responsibly!

Awards to be presented include:

- The team that raises the most money,
- The individual that raises the most money,
- The individual with the highest number of donations, and
- Top finishes for Spin, Non-Spin and One-Design fleets.

Information on additional social activities will be posted on the event site

<https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=50017> and will be scheduled immediately after racing to

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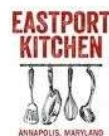
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announce winners and present awards for top fundraisers. Additional prizes may be awarded (e.g., Best Stepping Out Shirt, Best Vans, Best Dressed Crew). Swag can be ordered from <https://www.ewespirit.org/ewe-stuff>

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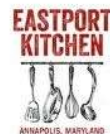
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Appendix A – Course Diagram

