

A2C LIGHTHOUSE CHALLENGE

Saturday, 22 August 2026

CO-ORGANIZING AUTHORITY
Cambridge Yacht Club & Eastport Yacht Club

CBYRA Sanction #26-316



NOTICE OF RACE

The notation “[NP]” in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event shall be governed by the *rules* as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 ORC class rules are as modified by ORC of the Chesapeake, which can be found at orcches.org.
- 1.3 RRS 60.4(a)(2) is changed as follows: “(2) if it alleges a breach of a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 and is from a boat that was not involved in, and did not see, the incident, or”.
- 1.4 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 j105fleet3.org/rules.
- 1.5 [NP] Eastport Yacht Club (EYC) recommends that each competitor review and prepare their boat to the U.S. Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements, Nearshore. A copy of the Nearshore requirements is available at eastportyc.org/regattas, located under “Racing Resources.”

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be available at or before 0930 on Saturday, 08 August 2026, on the [Official Notice Board](#).

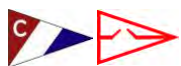
3 COMMUNICATIONS

- 3.1 The [Official Notice Board](#) will be online at the Yacht Scoring event page.
- 3.2 [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channels 9, 13, 16, and 73.
- 3.3 On the water, Race Committee (RC) will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio.
- 3.4 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 This event is open to boats of the following classes, provided five (5) or more paid registrations are received by 2000 on Friday, 14 August 2026:

PHRF A	PHRF B	PHRF C
PHRF N	PHRF Cruiser Spinnaker	PHRF Cruiser Non-Spinnaker
ORC Open	ORC Performance Cruiser	CRCA Racer
CRCA Cruiser	CRCA Non-Spinnaker	
J/29	J/105	Multihull
- 4.2 Eligible boats may enter the event online at the Yacht Scoring [event registration](#) page.
- 4.3 Participants competing in a handicap class shall have a valid 2026 rating certificate.



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- 4.4 Additional classes will be accepted upon the receipt of five (5) or more paid entries by 2000 on Friday, 14 August 2026.
- 4.5 To be considered an entry, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.

5 FEES

The entry fees are as follows:

- \$70 for paid entries received by 0930 on Saturday, 15 August 2026.
- \$100 for paid entries received after 0930 on Saturday, 15 August 2026, but before 0930 on Friday, 21 August 2026.

6 SCHEDULE

The schedule of events is:

Fri, 21 August	0930	Entry & registration closes
	1700	Classes and start order posted to the Official Notice Board
Sat, 22 August	0900	Check-in vessel on-station
	0930	Intended Warning signal for the first class
	After racing	Post-race party at Cambridge Yacht Club (CYC) and Awards presentation at CYC

7 VENUE

- 7.1 The racing area will be on the Chesapeake Bay, between the Thomas Point Lighthouse and the Choptank River, and the Choptank River, to Cambridge.
- 7.2 The event venue will be CYC, 1 Mill Street, Cambridge, MD, 21613. CYC extends the courtesy of its bar and galley to race participants.

8 COURSE

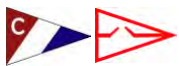
Competitors will sail one (1) fixed mark course that will start near the Thomas Point Lighthouse and will finish at CYC. The specific course will be defined in the SIs.

9 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 9.1 RRS US Sailing Prescription Appendix V, Alternative Penalties, shall apply.
- 9.2 Protest hearings are intended to be in-person, but may be conducted virtually, depending upon instructions from the Protest Committee. Details will be provided in the SIs.

10 SCORING

- 10.1 PHRF classes will be scored in accordance with the PHRF Time-on-Time (ToT) Circular Random Course ratings.
- 10.2 CRCA classes will be scored in accordance with Standard 5 Winds ToT ratings. The RC will determine the appropriate course type and wind range prior to scoring each race. The rating band selection is not subject to redress. This changes RRS 61.1.
- 10.3 Multihull classes will be scored in accordance with the Chesapeake Multihull Association rating system.
- 10.4 ORC classes will be scored in accordance with ORC ToT ratings. The RC will determine the appropriate course type and wind range prior to scoring each race. The rating band selection is not subject to redress. This changes RRS 61.1.
- 10.5 RRS 90.3(e) will apply with the time limit changed to seven (7) days. This changes RRS 90.3(e).



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11 RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 states, "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue *racing* is hers alone." By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform, and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia, or other causes. Refer to the EYC Full Risk Statement available at eastportyc.org/regattas.

12 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.

13 PRIZES

13.1 Overall prizes will be presented at an awards ceremony at CYC following the conclusion of racing on Saturday, 22 August 2026. The prizes within each class are as follows:

- 1st place for five (5) or more entries
- 2nd place for six (6) or more entries
- 3rd place for seven (7) or more entries

13.2 Additional awards may be presented at the discretion of the OA.

14 ENVIRONMENT

[NP] This is a Clean Regatta. All competitors are encouraged to use multi-use water bottles instead of disposable water bottles, and to recycle whenever possible.



15 INFORMATION

For more information, contact race.committee@eastportyc.org.