



# 2024 Don Backe Memorial CRAB Regatta

## Saturday, June 8, 2024

Organizing Authority: Annapolis Yacht Club, Annapolis, MD USA

<https://bit.ly/24BackeCRAB>

### NOTICE OF RACE (NoR)

*The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).*

#### 1 RULES

1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.

#### 2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 The Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official notice board approximately 5 days before the first scheduled day of racing.

#### 3 COMMUNICATION

3.1 The online Official Notice Board is located at <https://bit.ly/24BackeCRAB>

3.2 [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on US channels.

3.3 On the water, the race committee may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The specific channel will be stated in the SIs.

#### 4 SUPPLIED BOATS

4.1 The regatta will be sailed in Beneteau First 22As supplied by Chesapeake Region Accessible Boating (CRAB).

4.2 [DP] While racing, the team members with disabilities shall sit in the seats provided and may, at their discretion, be secured using the 4-point harness belts supplied.

#### 5 ELIGIBILITY

5.1 Eligibility will be limited to six teams. CRAB will be responsible for selecting the teams if more than six teams apply.

5.2 Teams shall consist of up to four people: a skipper with disabilities and up to three crew. Two crew may have disabilities or be able-bodied. The other crew member, will be sufficiently able bodied to perform any necessary activities aboard to ensure the safety of the boat and its crew. While racing, this crew member may provide coaching and tactical advice, but shall not physically assist in handling the boat except for safety. The skipper with disabilities must be at the helm the entire time, except in case of an emergency. Each skipper must meet the minimum disability criteria requirement as set forth in the IFDS Functional Classification Manual.

#### 6 FEES AND ENTRY

6.1 There is no entry fee.

6.2 Boats wishing to enter shall register by contacting the Chesapeake Region Accessible Boating, 7040 Bembe Beach Road, Annapolis MD 21403 Phone 410.266.5722; [shannon@crabsailing.org](mailto:shannon@crabsailing.org)

6.3 Entry includes racing, lunch, a post-regatta reception, and awards ceremony.

#### 7 SCHEDULE

7.1 The first warning signal is scheduled for 1000.

7.2 Five races are scheduled. Two before the lunch break and three after depending on weather conditions.

7.3 There will be a lunch break from approximately 1200 to approximately 1330.

7.4 No warning signal will be made after 1600.

## **8 VENUE**

8.1 The racing area will be the Severn River or the Chesapeake Bay near the mouth of the Severn River.

8.2 The regatta venue will be the AYC Sailing Center (510 Severn Avenue).

## **9 COURSES**

9.1 The courses to be sailed will use a combination of drop marks and government marks.

## **10 PENALTY SYSTEM**

10.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two Turns Penalty is replaced by the One Turn Penalty.

## **11 SCORING**

11.1 RRS Appendix A4, Low Point System, will apply as changed by the SIs.

## **12 RISK STATEMENT**

12.1 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, which are assumed by the competitor.

## **13 PRIZES**

13.1 Prizes will be awarded to the top 3 boats.

13.2 The Don Backe Memorial CRAB Regatta Trophy will be awarded to the winner. The trophy is on permanent display in the AYC Main Clubhouse lobby.

13.3 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organizing authority.

## **14 FURTHER INFORMATION**

14.1 Non-AYC members may organize guest cards at the Front Desk of the AYC Main Clubhouse.

14.2 For more information contact:

AYC Harborside Director: Linda Ambrose, [lambrose@annapolisyc.org](mailto:lambrose@annapolisyc.org), 410.858.4964

Chesapeake Region Accessible Boating: 410-266-5722, Shannon Rohrer: [shannon@crabsailing.org](mailto:shannon@crabsailing.org)