



# 2024 Almost Any Boat Challenge

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**The Northern Maryland Model Yacht Club (NMMYC) will be hosting the 2023 Any Boat Challenge event.**

**Classes:** Any AMYA class mono-hull boat may enter as long as they are 58 inches or less. (The event organizers have the final say on which boats may enter.) Only 18 boats maximum will be racing, but back-up entrants may be registered in case someone doesn't show up. Our goal is for each class to be represented by no more than 3 boats. More boats may be entered for a class if needed to fill the 20 slots. Please check [WWW.NMMYC.COM](http://WWW.NMMYC.COM) and the specific webpage for this regatta for the most up to date information.

**Cost:** The cost is \$20

**Date:** 3rd of August, 2024

**Registration check-in will start at 9AM and Interviews start at 8:30**

**Schedule:**

**9:45 Skippers Meeting**

**Racing starts soon after Skippers Meeting**

**Lunch break at around mid-day (Pizza and beverages will be provided)**

**Racing resumes after lunch**

**Final Scoring:** The points will then be tallied. In the case of a tie, first place finishes will be the tie breaker or as the Race Director (RD) sees fit.

**Address:** Lake Whittier, 2401 Whittier Dr, Frederick, MD 21702

**Registration:** Online

**Rules:** AMYA Class Rules or as RD decides.

**Sailing Instructions:**

**1 RULES**

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing, Appendix E for RC sailing, prescriptions of US Sailing, class rules of the **AMYA** and these Sailing Instructions.

1.2 Changes to the racing rules or class rules are noted in the specific instructions where they apply.

## **2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to competitors will be made verbally and can be made at any time. All competitors shall be notified. All boats shall be sailed in accordance with their AMYA Class rules, except DF65s may use short or long keels. A+ thru C sails will be allowed. All entrants must be AMYA members in good standing or considering joining and their boat must be registered with the class unless the regatta organizers approve the boat ahead of time. All sailors agree to let their likeness, boat number and names to be used in photos, Regatta Report, video or websites in support of the club, AMYA, video production and sport.

## **3 CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Verbal changes to these Sailing Instructions may be made at any time. All competitors shall be notified.

## **4 SCHEDULE OF RACES**

4.1 Date of racing: **Saturday, August 3rd, 2024**. *Rain date is the 4th. Sailors will be notified by 7 PM on the 2nd, if we have to switch to the rain date via the NMMYC Website and/or email.*

4.2 The total number of races planned is 9 or as many as possible within the time constraints not to exceed 9. The race director will determine the number of races after considering weather, course, and equipment conditions. **No race shall start after 3:00 pm.**

4.3 The scheduled time of the first race will be soon after the skippers meeting.

## **5 RACING FORMAT**

One fleet racing will be held unless decided otherwise by the race director.

## **6 THE COURSE BOARD**

The course board is to be located as required by rule E3.2 and show the Course, Control Area and Launching Area unless otherwise noted by the race director.

## **7 THE COURSE**

The course, the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left, will be as shown on the course board. 1 Drag race, 3 Short, 3 Medium and 3 Long course races will be raced or as the RD decides. The Drag Race has it's own trophy and points are not given for this race.

## **8 CONTROL AREA**

The control area is unrestricted.

## **9 LAUNCHING AREA**

The launching area is unrestricted.

## **10 MARKS**

10.1 Marks will be announced by the race director during the skipper's meeting.

10.2 The starting and finishing marks will be briefed by the race director during the skipper's meeting.

## **11 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS**

The following areas are designated as obstructions: The shore and/or possible unseen obstructions.

## 12 THE START

AMYA one or two-minute starting sequence will be used unless a 1 minute is decided by the RD.

12.1 The starting line will be between the starting marks.

12.2 Prior to the start signal, a boat may request the Race Director to delay the starting sequence for five minutes for the repair of a technical problem or breakdown. When such a delay is granted, it will be announced and the warning signal or verbal command will not be sounded until the expiration of five minutes from the commencement of the delay. Each boat may be granted only one (1) such delay. Delays for tuning, adjusting sails or for changing rigs due to weather will not be granted. At the RD's discretion a five-minute hold may be called, at any time prior to the starting signal.

12.3 If any part of a boat's hull or equipment is on the course side of the starting line after the preparatory signal, the Race Director (or designee) will attempt to hail that boat. Failure of the skipper to hear such a hail will not be grounds for a request for a redress hearing; this changes rule 62.1(a).

## 13 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between the finishing marks.

## 14 PENALTY SYSTEM

14.1 A boat with any part of its hull or equipment on the course side of the starting line during the minute before the starting signal shall return to the pre-start side as required by rule 29.1 and modified by rule E3.5. The race director may appoint a race official(s) to officiate the races. They will have the duty to call all penalties, as they see them.

14.2 A boat touching a mark as defined by rule 31.1, shall take a penalty turn as required by rule 44.2.

14.3 A boat breaking a rule in Part 2 shall take a one-turn penalty as required by rule 44.1 and modified by E4.3 (a full 360).

## 15 TIME LIMITS

15.1 If no boat has passed Mark 1 within **ten (10) minutes**, the race will be abandoned.

15.2 If no boat has finished within **thirty (30) minutes**, the race will be abandoned.

## 16 PROTESTS

16.1 A boat protesting another boat, while sailing, shall hail the other boat, as required by rule 61.1(a) as modified by rule E6.2.

16.2 A boat intending to protest or request redress about an incident in the racing area or control area shall inform the race officer as soon as reasonably possible after finishing or retiring. A protest, request for redress or request for reopening shall be delivered to the race officer no later than ten minutes after the last boat in the heat finishes or after the relevant incident, whichever is later, as required by rules 61.3 as modified by E6.4 and E6.5.

## 17 SCORING

17.1 Scoring will be kept by the Scorekeeper in the normal format. (No throw-outs)

17.2 Five (5) races are required to be completed to constitute a regatta.

## 18 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

Measurement and class authenticity verification may be conducted as determined by the Regatta Director, during check in and registration or any time during the regatta.

## 19 PRIZES

Awards will be given for 1<sup>st</sup> thru 3<sup>rd</sup> places or as deemed by NMMYC. (Usually more!)

## 20 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS rule 4. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta. There will be many boats of different sizes, so enter at your own risk.

## **CORINTHIAN SPIRIT**

*Remember that we are always in Friendly Competition. In the event of any protested behavior which is deemed to be a breach of good manners or sportsmanship, or which may bring the sport into disrepute, the Race Director, any designated race officials, or competitor may protest the party or parties in accordance with RRS #2.*

*Penalties available to the RD and/or Protest Committee, including exclusion from the race in question, or expulsion from the regatta as per RRS #69.2 and #69.3.*

In the event a skipper is penalized under RRS #2 at an AMYA event, a report on the incident shall be sent to the AMYA Class Secretary of the Class being sailed and the AMYA Executive Board for review.

By entering this event you agree to have your likeness used for media and other uses that promote our sport.

In consideration of accepting this entry, I hereby for myself, my heirs, executors, and administrators waive and release any and all right to claim damages that I or my family may have or acquire against the Northern Maryland Model Yacht Club or their membership, the sailing site, the sailing site managers, employees, agents, representatives or assigns, or the American Model Yachting Association, or its members for any and all injuries suffered by me or my family during the regatta and related events. I have read the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions for the Regatta and accept its conditions and rules. By registering for this regatta, you agree to all of the above.

**All Skippers must sign a liability and *CORINTHIAN SPIRIT* form the morning of registration in order to compete.**