## St. Michaels Wednesday Night Racing 2023 Sailing Instructions Amendment 2

The change to the rating system for handicap boats also requires a change to the section about scoring to allow boats to choose between a standard spinnaker rating and an alternate non-spin rating. Section 15 (scoring) shall now include the following language:

Each handicap boat will have a standard set of ratings with standard sails used as default. For example, using all sails including a spinnaker is a default set of ratings. Each boat can also have an alternate set of ratings with a *different* sail plan. For example all sails *without* the spinnaker. Boats may only have two sets of ratings.

Handicap boats who wish to use their alternate sail plan and ratings for racing must notify the Race Committee *before* the Cruising class warning signal by hailing the Race Committee over the water or on VHF channel 78. The Race Committee will acknowledge the request to use the alternate ratings by returning hail. This returned hail will be the indication that you are going to be scored using your alternate ratings. Do not hail the Race Committee during the starting sequences - You will not receive a return hail. You cannot change your mind after the Race Committee acknowledges your use of the alternate ratings.

This change goes into effect May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023.