

5. **Race Area**

The Race Area shall be the Miles River off the entrance to St. Michaels harbor.

6. **Courses**

Stars: The course shall be port-rounding windward/leeward laps around club drop marks.
The number of laps shall be designated on the Race Committee's course boards.

Handicap: The course shall be designated on the Race Committee's course boards by mark designations.

7. **Scoring**

Time on time ratings for handicapped boats include 6 course configurations and 5 wind speeds. These ratings are listed on the EZ certificate labeled **Standard 5 Winds** for spin and non-spin. A preliminary wind rating will be announced prior to the first warning. This may change prior to the first handicap finish. A change will be posted on the signal boat and announced on VHF. The course shall be Random Leg unless specifically noted on the VHF. Failure to send or receive the VHF announcement is not grounds for redress.

Class series shall be scored using the Low Point System of Appendix A with the following changes:

- Rule A5.3 shall apply.
- One race shall be excluded from a boat's series score after 5 completing races.
- If a boat and crew acts as mark boat instead of racing, she shall be scored an average of all her races for the series. Boats may only act as mark boat once in the season.
- Guest Skipper Night shall be excluded from season scores.

Two races are required to constitute a series and a season.

The "Highpoint" Trophy shall be awarded to the boat that wins the most competitive class. The "most competitive class" shall be defined as the class that has the smallest number of points between the 1st place competitor for the season and the 5th place competitor for the season.

8. **Prizes**

Prizes shall be awarded to the 1st place boat for three boats in a class, 1st and 2nd for four-six boats in a class, 3rd/9, 4th/12, etc. The "Highpoint" Trophy shall be awarded to the boat that wins the most competitive class as defined in "Scoring".

Handicap boats must have a valid 2025 or 2026 EZ Certificate to be eligible for a trophy.

The Miles River Yacht Club will award nightly 1st place trophies to class winners.

Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Miles River Yacht Club Sail Committee.

9. **Disclaimer of Liability**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority shall not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the regatta.

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