



# Five Forts Race

## Notice of Race

**OA: ROCK CREEK RACING ASSOCIATION**

**Hosted by: MARYLAND YACHT CLUB**

Saturday, May 16, 2026

**Sanction #: 26-102**

**Entry Due:** Thursday, May 14, 2026

**Entry Fee:** \$45  
**CBYRA Members:** \$40

**Online Entry:** Notice of Race and entry registration available at RCRA web site:  
<http://www.rockcreekracing.org/sailing-instructions.html>

**Eligibility:** This regatta is open to all boats of the following classes: PHRF, CRCA/EZ, and Multihull. Class splits will be assigned based on regatta registration with a minimum of three boats in each class. Classes with at least three participants will be added upon request to the Race Committee Chairperson. Requests shall be made by email by 20:00 May 14, 2026.

**SIs:** The NOR along with the *CBYRA Green Book General Sailing Instructions* shall constitute the Sailing Instructions for this event.

**Notice Board:** Race announcements, changes to SIs, and Amendments will be posted on RCRA's website by 2200 the day preceding the event. Oral changes to the SIs may occur on the water prior to the Warning Signal.

**Radio:** Boats shall monitor VHF 72 for communications from the Race Committee, including on water changes to the SIs.

**Rendezvous:** At 1030 hours, in the vicinity of Rock Creek Racing Association yellow buoy "A" - location: 39° 10.902' N, 076° 29.291' W, SSW of CBYRA Region 2 mark "CC" and north of the White Rocks at the entrance to Rock Creek.

**Start:** Between orange flag on Race Committee boat and RCRA yellow buoy "A".

**Signals:** RRS26 (Starting times) will be announced by 22:00 May 15, 2026.

**Course:** Designated by letters displayed on Race Committee boat, a fixed mark course that will start and finish on the Patapsco River, including marks from:

- Baltimore Harbor and Patapsco River Area Standard CBYRA Racing Marks
- RCRA Mark "YC" A at 39° 10.902' N, 076° 29.291' W
- RCRA Mark "YC" B at 39° 10.117' N, 076° 29.706' W
- RCRA Mark "YC" C at 39° 10.500' N, 076° 28.500' W

**Finish:** Between orange flag on the Race Committee boat and RCRA yellow buoy "A". Course may be shortened at any designated course mark. Boats not finishing are requested to notify Race Committee boat on VHF Channel 72.

**Time Limit:** Four hours.

**Scoring:** Assignment to a specific class will be based on participation and is not grounds for redress

PHRF - Scoring, class rules and boat ratings as per PHRF of the Chesapeake Class Rules. Random Leg rating, Time-on-Distance. PHRF CCNS fleet shall be limited to one headsail flown at a time except for cutter rigs as noted

Multihull – Scoring, class rules and boat ratings as per The Chesapeake Multihull Association, Time-on-Time.

CRCA – Scoring and ratings will be in conformance with class rules, Time-on-Time. Entrants using EZ ratings shall comply with the EZ Rule Book and CRCA Class Rules. CRCA class sail configuration, Spin vs Non-Spin, shall be made by Friday, May 15, 20:00.

**Protests:** Protester should immediately notify Race Committee boat upon finishing. Emailed protest forms must be received by Monday May 18 to the contact listed above. Protester and protested will be notified of the time and place of the protest hearing.

**Weather:** If a gale warning or higher issued by the National Weather Service is in effect for the racing

area on the day of the race by 2000 on Friday, May 15, 2026, the race will be cancelled and posted on the Notice Board/emailed to all entrants.

- Awards:** 1<sup>st</sup>/3, 2<sup>nd</sup>/5 & 3<sup>rd</sup>/7+ Starters. Awards will be presented at RCRA's Annual Awards Dinner.
- Social:** FREE after-race party at MYC at the blue pavilion. Send your head count by 5/14/26 to Lee Budar-Danoff at [punahougirl84@gmail.com](mailto:punahougirl84@gmail.com). BYOB.
- Dockage:** Free slips, including free electricity, are available for Friday, May 15 and Saturday, May 16, at Maryland Yacht Club. For slip reservations: <https://mdyc.org/transients>, code 5FORTS.
- Other:** Additional information may be found at [www.rockcreekracing.org](http://www.rockcreekracing.org).
- Contact:** Lee Budar-Danoff: 410-905-7245, email: [punahougirl84@gmail.com](mailto:punahougirl84@gmail.com).