



NOTICE OF RACE: Middleground Light Race

Organizing Authority: Hampton Yacht Club 4707 Victoria Blvd Hampton, VA 23669

Mid-Distance Race

Sunday, September 13, 2026

Sanctioned Event 26-414



SCAN for Event Details Page:

RULES

1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing, 2025-2028

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 Hampton Yacht Club General Sailing Instructions will apply, supplemental Sailing Instructions may be posted to the online event details page.

COMMUNICATION

3.1 The Official Notice Board is located online at the event details page.

ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY FEE

4.1 Eligible boats must be entered electronically through the event details page and received no later than 1600 on the day prior to the race. (Vessels registered with the HYC Big Boat Series by March 31 will be automatically entered into this event).

4.2 Eligible boats must provide proof of a valid rating certificate applicable to their class (PHRF, ORC, etc.)

4.3 Any fleet change must be done via e-mail waterfront@hamptonyc.com, prior to the entry deadline.

ENTRY FEE

5.1 This event is included in the HYC Big Boat Series Registration: Prepaid by March 31 online at <https://theclubspot.com/regatta/DMpQSEoTTY>

5.2 Individual Event Entry

- a. The entry for HYC/CCVR Members is \$60
- b. The entry for non members is \$75

QUALIFYING SERIES

6.1 This event will count towards the HYC Cup and CCVR High Point Standings.

VENUE and COURSE



7.1 The sailing venue will be Hampton Flats in the vicinity of designated Mark “H” (Harbor) (R N “20”).

7.2 It is the intent of the RC to run a mid-distance race designed to last 2-3 hours around fixed designated Harbor Marks and one mark must be Middle Ground Light. Appropriate course configurations and distances for diverse fleets.

SCORING

8.1 Scoring for this series will be PHRF Windward/Leeward ratings. Time on Distance.

EQUIPMENT

9.1 All boats must meet US Sailing’s “Nearshore” Safety Equipment Requirements.

SCHEDULE and ORDER OF STARTS

10.1 RRS 26 as modified by HYC Big Boat Series General Sailing Instructions

CLASS	TIME
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PHRF A	1100 WARNING
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Combined Viper/Melges 24 Fleet (Started and scored together, racing level)

PHRF B/C	(Started and scored together)
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PHRF Non-Spin	(2 headsails allowed)
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PHRF CRUISING (Spin & Non-Spin) + ORC Performance Cruising (Started together, but scored separately)

TIME LIMIT

11.1 Any boat not finished within 3.5 hours of its fleet’s start will be scored DNF.

PROTESTS

12.1 Protests must be submitted in writing within one hour of the Race Committee arriving at HYC dock.

AWARDS/SOCIAL

Beverages will be given following racing at the HYC Gazebo. Overall Perpetual and Series awards will be given at the annual HYC Awards Party in December.

FURTHER INFORMATION

RC CHAIR / PRO: John McCarthy, (757)814-8518 saltydog.pro@live.com