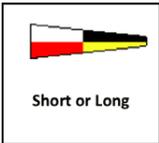
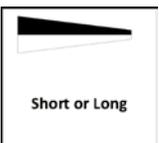
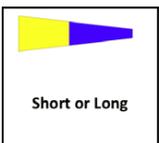


HHSA COVID Series (Wednesday Nights)

Dates	<p>Every Wednesday when Recreational Sailing and racing is allowed until September 2 or whenever it safe to sail with crew. If 6 races are sailed under these rules and social distancing rules remain in effect, the series may be extended, or a new series initiated as decided by the RC Racing based on the forecast of the time remaining for restrictions.</p>																							
Classes	<p>NS A, NS B, Shorthanded.</p> <p>Non-Spin A is boats with a PHRF less than 150. Non-Spin B is boats with a PHRF of 150 or greater. The shorthanded class is boats racing with one or two crew (counting the skipper).</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Short or Long</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Short or Long</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Short or Long</p> </div> </div> <p style="text-align: center;">NS A NS B Shorthanded</p> <p>Boats must declare the class they sail in the first race they participate in and may not switch class until the end of the series.</p>																							
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Skippers' Meeting	<p>None.</p> <p>Preregistration on www.hhsa.org is requested.</p>																							
Rendezvous	<p>Race Committee vicinity at approx. 1730</p>																							
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Course	Designated by sign boards displayed on the Committee Boat. The Race Committee shall select a course from the HNSA Course book. Different versions of the course (Short and Long) may be selected for each class that will allow for races to be completed in approximately 1 hour. Only one race will be raced.
Time Qualifications	For the race to qualify, the lead boat in each class must finish within 2 hours after the starting signal, and each boat must finish before 9:00 pm or be scored as TLE. This modifies RRS 35. The Race Committee will announce TLE for boats still on the course on VHF Channel 68. This modifies RRS 35.
Protests	The protest time limit is 2 hours after racing has concluded for the day.
Awards	Awards will be given as per the HNSA Racing Rules, Section 20.
VHF Communications	All boats must have a working VHF turned on to channel 68 in order to receive communications from the RC.
Compliance with Maryland Covid-19 executive orders and laws.	HNSA racing will not take place unless Maryland allows recreational boating and racing. It is the responsibility of each skipper to ensure that he/she is complying with all social distancing requirements, as well as all other state laws and executive orders, while participating in HNSA racing.
Crew limits	HNSA does not set crew limits for Non-Spin A and Non-Spin B (Please refer to compliance with regulations above). Boats racing in the short-handed class are limited to one or two crew counting the skipper. (i.e. double handed or single handed)

<p>Special Instructions</p>	<p>Spinnakers are not permitted.</p> <p>Double Head sails are not permitted</p> <p>Head sail changes, whisker poles, and reefing the main are permitted.</p> <p>Use of PFDs is encouraged but not mandated. Each individual skipper shall use his/her own judgment in deciding whether or not to require his/her crew to wear PFDs.</p> <p>Boats racing in the shorthanded class only may use autopilots, tiller pilots or wind vanes.</p> <p>At the discretion of the Race Committee, racing may not be conducted if a small craft advisory is in effect, if there is a chance of thunderstorms, or if the true wind speed is over 20 knots. The RC is encouraged to announce cancellations in advance on VHF Channel 68. In all conditions the decision to participate in a race is the responsibility of the captain.</p>								
<p>Social</p>	<p>An informal post-race virtual gathering using Discord or similar.</p>								
<p>Scoring</p>	<p>Scoring shall be per the HHSA Racing Rules, Section 17 Scoring, except that Part G. is revised as follows:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">G. For the series, the number of races scored will be dependent on the number of completed races in the series, as described in the following table:</p> <table style="margin-left: 100px; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="padding-right: 20px;">Number of Races Completed</td> <td>Throw Outs</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding-right: 20px;">Over 8</td> <td>2</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding-right: 20px;">5 - 7</td> <td>1</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding-right: 20px;">< 5</td> <td>0</td> </tr> </table> <p>And, a boat that did not start, did not finish, retired after finishing, was TLE, did not come to the starting area, or was disqualified shall be scored points for the finish place one more than the number of boats that finished.</p> <p>This changes RRS A 4.2, RRS A 9, HHSA Rule 18.C.4 and HHSA Rule 18.C.5.</p>	Number of Races Completed	Throw Outs	Over 8	2	5 - 7	1	< 5	0
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