## **HHSA Sharps Island Race**

Date	Saturday, June 20, 2020
Classes	NS A, NS B, Shorthanded.
	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).
	Short or Long Short or Long
	NS A NS B Shorthanded
Approx. Times	The table shows the approximate times for the race.
	Signal Non-Spinnaker Shorthanded
	Warning 1655 1700
	Preparatory 1656 1701
	One-minute 1659 1704
	Start 1700 1705
	<b>Note:</b> Non-Spinnaker A and Non-Spinnaker B will start together but will be
	scored separately. Class warning flags will be "9" for Non-Spin classes and "5" for the shorthanded class.
Skippers'	None.
Meeting	Preregistration on www.hhsa.org is recommended
Rendezvous	Race Committee at HHSA A at approx. 1600 hours
Start	Between Committee Boat and HHSA A
Finish	Between Committee Boat and HHSA A
Course	The course shall be course U from the HHSA Course Book. The course version (Long or Short) for each class will be designated by boards displayed on the Committee Boat.
Time	In order for the race to qualify, the lead boat in each class must finish
Qualifications	within six hours of the class start. The Race Committee will stay on
Quantications	station until at least 90 minutes after the last class qualifies. Boats
	finishing after the Race Committee has left station shall take their own finish times in accordance with HHSA Rules 7.C & 8.B.
Protests	The protest time limit is 2 hours after racing has concluded for the day.
Awards	Counts towards High Point and Commodore's Cup.

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.	HHSA 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 HHSA racing.
Crew limits	HHSA does not set crew limits for Non-Spin A and Non-Spin B (Please refer to compliance with regulations above). Boats racing in the shorthanded class are limited to one or two crew counting the skipper. (i.e. double handing or single handing)
Special	Spinnakers are not permitted.
Instructions	Double Head sails are not permitted
	Head sail changes, whisker poles, and reefing the main are permitted.
	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.
	Boats racing in the shorthanded class only may use autopilots, tiller pilots or wind vanes.
	At the discretion of the Race Committee, racing <b>may not</b> 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.
Social	An informal gathering at a local restaurant or location announced by the Race Committee.