



**2026 Mustang Survival
Annapolis to Bermuda Ocean Race
Bermuda Ocean Race Association, Inc.
Assisted by
Eastport Yacht Club and Royal Hamilton Amateur Dinghy Club
June 5, 2026
Annapolis, MD, USA to Bermuda
Notice of Race Amendment No. 3**

The “All-Academies Sub-Class” is renamed to the “All Service Academies and Maritime Schools Sub-Class.” Additionally, it is clarified that a boat entered in the Patriot Sub-Class is not eligible to compete in the All Service Academies and Maritime Schools Sub-Class; and, a boat entered in the All Service Academies and Maritime Schools Sub-Class is not eligible to compete in the Patriot Sub-Class. NoR 4.6. and NoR 4.7. are replaced in their entirety with the following.

- 4.6. A boat that is registered and fully-crewed by a military service or maritime academy may compete in the All Service Academies and Maritime Schools Sub-Class. Boats that elect to compete in the All Service Academies and Maritime Schools Sub-Class will be scored using the ORC handicap rating. Boats entered in the Patriot Sub-Class or the Rally class are not eligible to compete in the All Service Academies and Maritime Schools Sub-Class.
- 4.7. A boat sailing with Active Duty and/or Veteran crew may compete in the Patriot Sub-Class. Crew requirements are:
- One (1) Active Duty and/or Veteran crew for boats less than forty (40) feet in length; and,
 - Two (2) Active Duty and/or Veteran crew for boats equal to or greater than forty (40) feet in length.

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NoR 6.1 is revised to more clearly define the requirements specified requirements. NoR 6.1 is replaced in its entirety with the following.

- 6.1. A boat shall submit by June 4, 2026, proof of attendance by the Captain and at least 30% of her crew, but not fewer than two (2) members of the crew, including the person in charge, a valid US Sailing International Offshore Safety at Sea Certificate, or the equivalent from another national authority. This international Offshore Safety at Sea Certificate requires one (1) day of online training and one (1) day of water training. The certificate must have been issued within the past five (5) years of the race start date.

Within NoR 15.1., two deadline dates are incorrectly cited as “2024,” when they should be “2026.” The Weems & Plath Navigator Trophy and the Youth Recognition Trophy sections are replaced in their entirety with the following.

- **Weems & Plath Navigator Trophy** – The Trophy is awarded to the navigator whose logs and plotting sheets are found to be complete, neat and readable. The judge(s) will look for that navigator who exhibits conservative, knowledgeable and conscientious navigation incorporating proper dead reckoning, charting some celestial and some electronic navigation. This includes keeping a proper dead reckoning tract, the plotting of lines of position and other phenomena in the proper and traditional manner and exhibiting navigational enthusiasm. An entry form, which will be available on the [Official Notice Board](#), must be completed at the time of Registration on June 6, 2026. Logs must be presented to the Officer of the Day at the Royal Hamilton Amateur Dinghy Club Duty Desk by 1200 (local) on June 13, 2026.
- **Youth Recognition Trophy** – Awarded to the youth sailor, the age of 18 or under as of June 13, 2026, to complete the race, and demonstrate the tenets of good sportsmanship such as leadership, fellowship, maturity, and concern for others while at sea, as selected by the OA. An entry form, which will be available on the [Official Notice Board](#), must be submitted to the OA by June 6, 2026.

The “All-Academies Sub-Class” is renamed to the “All Service Academies and Maritime Schools Sub-Class.” NoR 15.2. is replaced in its entirety with the following.

15.2. The following trophies will be presented across the ORC Open and ORC Performance Cruiser classes:

- **Fastest Corrected Time – Chesapeake Bay** - The OA will present a prize to the fastest corrected time in each handicap class.
- **Fastest Corrected Time in Class** – The OA will present prizes up to the first three places on corrected time in each class, depending on the number of boats entered in the class.
- **All Service Academies and Maritime Schools Cup** – Awarded to the boat with the fastest corrected time in the All Service Academies and Maritime Schools Sub-Class.
- **Patriot Cup presented by Veterans Yacht Sales and the Ministry of Sailing** – Awarded to the boat with the fastest corrected time in the Patriot Sub-Class.