



# Sailing Instructions

Arizona Yacht Club Fall Series 2017

Lake Pleasant, Arizona

1. **Rules.** The series will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and applicable class and fleet rules.
2. **Entry.** Entry will be by online form at arizonayachtclub.org. Day entry may use a paper form returned with payment to the race committee before the day's racing.
3. **Notices to competitors.** Notices will be posted on the AYC website, arizonayachtclub.org. The Race Committee may also communicate instructions orally when the boats are on the water while displaying "come within hail" (code flag L).
4. **Signals made ashore.** No signals will be made ashore.
5. **Schedule.** September 23 & 24, October 7 & 8, October 21 & 22, November 4 & 5, November 18 & 19. First warning signal Saturdays: 12:30pm; Sundays: 9am. TransLoch 12:25pm Saturdays only.
6. **Racing area.** The races will be conducted on Lake Pleasant, Arizona.
7. **Courses to be sailed.** Courses to be sailed are described on Lake Pleasant Chart L. TransLoch entrants will sail one race each Saturday, following the course on the TransLoch Chart.
8. **Starting and finishing line.** The starting line will be between the orange mast on the committee boat and a small red buoy mark. The finishing line will be between the orange mast on the committee boat and a small yellow buoy mark. After a boat rounds the first rounding mark, she shall not cross the start/finish line until she finishes. A boat that has broken this rule may correct her error. Unless corrected, she shall be scored "Did Not Finish" (DNF) without a hearing. This changes rule 28.1. On legs of the course that pass the start/finish line, the line may be left either to port or to starboard and on such legs the line is, for reasons of safety, an obstruction
9. **Time Limit.** The time limit will be two (2) hours for the first boat to finish. No race shall be started after 4:30pm on Saturday or 1:30pm on Sunday.
10. **Protests.** Competitors are to submit protests within the protest time that begins when the Race Committee returns to the parking lot at Spinnaker Point and sounds one horn. Protest time will end with the sounding of two horns 30 minutes later.
11. **Scoring.** Class rules may modify the low-point system, Appendix A4. One race is required to constitute a series.
  - a. A boat starting later than fifteen (15) minutes after her starting signal will be scored "did not start" (DNS). This changes rule A4.
  - b. A boat may retire (RET) from a race and receive a score equal to the number of starters in that race, except if she starts alone in her fleet she shall sail the entire course to be scored as a finishing boat. This changes rule A4.
  - c. Boats failing to finish within 45 minutes after the first boat in her fleet finishes will be scored "time limit expired" (TLE). Boats scored TLE shall receive points equal to the number of boats finishing within the time limit plus two points. This changes rule A4.
  - d. Unless changed by fleet rules, discards shall be 20% (rounded down) of all races in the series. TransLoch will have no discards.
12. **Prizes.** Prizes are based on number of fleet entries: 3-4 entries, one award; 5-6 entries, two awards; 7-9 entries, 3 awards; 10+ entries, four awards.
13. **Championship Race Qualification.** An AYC Fleet Champion shall be the AYC member entrant with the lowest combined score within each active fleet, determined by combining all of an entrant's scores for the fall and spring series and then discarding 20% (rounded down). To be eligible, the entrant must have obtained full or junior membership status before the final race of the spring series. Only champions of active fleets plus the current AYC Club Champion are eligible to participate in the AYC Club Championship Regatta.

**Note:** Race entrants and race crews are expected to assist with their fleet's race committee duty.

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