



Sailing Instructions

Arizona Yacht Club Spring Series 2012

Lake Pleasant, Arizona

1 RULES

The series will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012 (RRS) and applicable class and fleet rules.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the AYC web site, www.arizonayachtclub.org. If it is impractical or untimely to post on the Web, notices will be available from the Race Committee. If you do not have Web access, call the AYC Fleet Captain for copies of documents.

3 CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes to the Sailing Instructions may be published on the AYC Web site, www.arizonayachtclub.org. The Race Committee may also communicate instructions orally to the crews before the start of the event or while the boats are on the water and displaying "Come Within Hail" (code flag "L").

4 SCHEDULE OF RACES

RACE DATES AND TIMES

Race Day 1	Feb 18	Race Day 6	Mar 18
Race Day 2	Feb 19	Race Day 7	Mar 31
Race Day 3	Mar 3	Race Day 8	Apr 1
Race Day 4	Mar 4	Race Day 9	Apr 14
Race Day 5	Mar 17	Race Day 10	Apr 15

First Warning Signal on Saturday 1230
 First Warning Signal on Sunday 0900
 SKIPPER'S MEETING: None will be held.

5 THE COURSES

- 5.1 The course to be sailed will be designated with the course signboards as described on the Arizona Yacht Club Course Chart for Lake Pleasant, Arizona, Revision K.
- 5.2 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. 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. Unless corrected, she shall be scored "Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing.

6 MARKS

- 6.1 Marks will be as designated on the course charts.
- 6.2 The starting mark will be a small red buoy.
- 6.3 The finishing mark will be a small yellow buoy.

7 SIGNALS (Sign Boards)

The fleet starting order will be displayed on the Race Committee boat on the starboard side rack, with the next starting fleet most forward and the last fleet to start most aft. This order is for information purposes only and may change. In the Warning or Preparatory period a fleet and its course will be displayed on the upper center rack that is attached to the Race Committee boat's forward flag staff.

8 THE START

- 8.1 Races will be started according to rule 26. AYC fleet boards may be substituted for class flags.
- 8.2 The starting line will be between the Race Committee boat's orange flag staff and the red starting mark.
- 8.3 A boat whose warning signal has not yet been displayed shall avoid the starting area.
- 8.4 If a boat is on course side (OCS) at the start, the race committee may hail her sail number on VHF channel 68 and by voice or loudspeaker upon signaling an individual recall. This changes rule 29.1

9 THE FINISH

The finishing line is between the Race Committee boat's orange flag staff and the yellow finishing mark.

10 TIME LIMIT

No race shall be started after 1600 on Saturdays or 1400 on Sundays.

11 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

Protest forms may be available from the Race Committee. 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.

12 SCORING

- 12.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 12.2 A boat starting later than fifteen (15) minutes after her starting signal will be scored "Did Not Start" (DNS). This changes rule A4.
- 12.3 A boat may retire (RET) from a race and receive a score equal to the number of starters for 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.
- 12.4 Boats failing to finish within 45 minutes after the first boat finishes will be scored "Time Limit Expired" (TLE). This time limit, but not scoring, may be modified by fleet rules. Boats identified TLE shall be scored points equal to the number of boats finishing within the time limit plus two points without a hearing. This changes rule A4.
- 12.5 Unless changed by fleet rules, discards shall be 20% (rounded down) of all races in the series.

13 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 13.1 All boats must check in with the Race Committee before their first race of the day.
- 13.2 A boat that retires from a race or retires from racing before the end of the race day shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.
- 13.3 The safety of a boat and her entire management, including insurance, shall be the sole and inescapable responsibility of her owner or entrant racing the boat. See rule 4, Decision to Race.

14 PRIZES

Prizes for the series are based on the number of participating boats in each class or fleet and awarded as follows:

Number of Boats	Number of Awards
3-4	1
5-6	2
7-9	3
10-15	4
16+	5

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