



Sailing Instructions

Arizona Yacht Club Spring Series 2012

Tempe Town Lake, 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 will be published 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. The Race Committee may also communicate instructions orally to the crews before start of the event or while the boats are on the water.

4 SCHEDULE

Day 1: January 22	Day 5: February 26
Day 2: January 29	Day 6: March 11
Day 3: February 5	Day 7: March 25
Day 4: February 12	Day 8: April 22

First Warning Signal:

August, September & October Race Dates	1500
November & December Race Dates	1400

5 THE COURSES

5.1 The course to be sailed will be described on a signboard at the Race Committee station (black letters –and optional number – on white background) listing Marks by “Name” (N-North, S-South, E-East, O-Orange, G-Green) listed in sequence to be rounded to port and with optional number 2 indicating to sail the noted course twice. Courses and examples are described on the Arizona Yacht Club Course Chart for Tempe Town Lake, Revision C.

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 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 Course marks will be the three-foot tall cylindrical buoys of color ORANGE (O Mark) or GREEN (G Mark).

6.2 Race starts and finishes shall be on the same line, described by two small marks.

7 THE START/FINISH

7.1 Races will be started according to rule 26 except that the warning signal shall be displayed three minutes before the start and the preparatory signal shall be displayed two minutes before the start.

7.2 A boat whose warning signal has not yet been displayed shall avoid the starting area.

7.3 If a boat is on course side (OCS) at the start, the race committee may hail her sail number by voice or loudspeaker upon signaling an individual recall. This changes rule 29.1

8 TIME LIMIT

No race shall be started after three hours from the first warning signal of the day.

9 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

Protest forms may be available from the Race Committee and shall be submitted within the protest time that will begin (15) minutes after the final boat finishes the final race of the day. Protest time will end 15 minutes later.

10 SCORING

10.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

10.2 A boat starting later than five (5) minutes after her starting signal will be scored “Did Not Start” (DNS). This changes rule A4.2.

10.3 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 A4.2.

10.4 Unless changed by fleet rules, discards shall be 20% (rounded down) of all races in the series.

11 SAFETY REGULATIONS

11.1 All boats must check in with the Race Committee before their first race of the day.

11.2 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.

11.3 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.

12 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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