



Sailing Instructions

Arizona Yacht Club Spring Series 2023
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, which are available from fleet captains.
2. **Changes to Sailing Instructions.** Changes to the sailing instructions may be made on the water by displaying flag L, come within hail, with one sound.
3. **Radio Communications.** On the water, the race committee will monitor and may communicate with competitors via VHF radio on channel 68.
4. **Schedule.** The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race Saturdays at 12:30 pm and Sundays at 8:30 am. No warning signal will be sounded after 4 pm on Saturdays or noon on Sundays.
5. **Class Boards.** In place of class flags, class boards will be displayed for starts. This modifies Rule 26. The class symbol will show for Catalina 22, Santana 20, and Thistle. A green board marked with PHRF Spin will show for PHRF Spinnaker. A Superman symbol will show for Sport Boat. A board with CAT will show for multi-hulls. Portsmouth boats will show Pm. If PHRF non-spin boats are racing, a yellow board with PHRF will show.
6. **Racing Area and Courses.** Lake Pleasant Chart L shows the courses and course designations. All rounding marks are left to port.
7. **Marks.** Rounding marks will be inflatable yellow and green cylinders and tetrahedrons, and islands.
8. **Check-in and Checkout.** Each boat must check in before her first race each day by sailing aft of the Race Committee on starboard tack and hailing fleet and sail number. 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. If possible, use VHF channel 68.
9. **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 sailing the weather leg, the line between the start and finish marks is an obstruction the boats shall not cross unless starting or finishing.
10. **The Start.** To save time and when possible, after the first start the race committee will use rolling five-minute start sequences for subsequent fleets. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
11. If any part of a boat's hull is on the **course side** of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee may attempt to hail her sail number. Failure to hail her number, failure of her to hear such a hail, or the order in which boats are hailed will not be grounds for a redress request. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
12. **Time Limit.** Unless changed by fleet rules, the time limit will be ninety (90) minutes for the first boat to finish. If no boats have finished within that window, the race is abandoned.
13. **Protests.** Competitors are to submit protests within the protest time that ends at 8 pm on race Saturdays and 6 pm race Sundays. [Protest forms are available here](#) or on the US Sailing app or may be a simple email meeting the requirements of RRS 61.2. Send the protest to racingcaptain@arizonayachtclub.org. Protest and redress hearings will be virtual and parties and witnesses to hearings shall have access to a device that has internet accessibility with audio and video capability.

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