



Notice of Race

Arizona Yacht Club Fall Series 2026
Tempe Town Lake, 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. **Sailing Instructions.** Sailing Instructions are available at arizonayachtclub.org or from the AYC Racing Captain.
3. **Eligibility.** The regatta is open to sailboats under 20 feet LOA racing under one-design or Portsmouth Yardstick rating rules. Fleets formed with five (5) or more series registrants by the first warning of the series will qualify as an active fleet under AYC Bylaws. Boats registering for a fleet with fewer than five (5) entrants by the closing date will be combined with the Portsmouth handicap fleet. Expected fleets are Catalina/Capri 14.2, Laser, Sunfish, Juniors, and Portsmouth.
4. **Entry.** Boats may enter by submitting a form and the required fee online at arizonayachtclub.org/racing. To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
5. **Fees.** AYC members Tempe Town Lake (TTL) only, \$30; Non-members TTL only, \$55; Junior members TTL, \$30; AYC members Lake Pleasant & TTL, \$95; Non-members, \$175; Day only, \$15.
6. **Schedule.** Sep 27, Oct 11 & 15, Nov 22 & 29, Dec 13. First warning signal at 2PM. No warning signal will be displayed after 4:30pm.
7. **Venue and Courses.** Race venue and courses to be sailed are described in Tempe Town Lake Chart D available on the arizonayachtclub.org/racing page.
8. **Scoring.**
 - a) One race is required to constitute a series.
 - b) A boat starting later than five (5) minutes after her starting signal will be scored "did not start" (DNS). This changes rule A5.1.
 - c) Rule A5.3 will apply. A5.3 will be modified so that boats that do not come to the starting area will be scored two points more than the number of boats that came to the starting area. A boat starting one race during a day will be scored as if she came to the starting area for all races that day. This rule cannot be changed by fleet rules.
 - d) After starting, 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 A5.3.
 - e) A boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst 20% (rounded down).
 - f) Day entries will not be scored for the series. This changes rule A2.2.
9. **Prizes.** Prizes are based on number of fleet entries: 3-4 entries, one award; 5-6 entries, two awards; 7-9 entries, three awards; 10+ entries, four awards.
10. **Media Rights:** By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the Organizing Authority and their sponsors, the right in perpetuity, to make, use and show, from time to time and at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures, and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the competition for said event in which the competitor participated and in any material related to the event, without compensation.
11. **Code of Conduct:** Competitors agree to be held to the [AYC Code of Conduct](#) and the [Rules and Agreement for Tempe Town Lake](#). Acknowledgement of, and agreement with these documents is required in the sign up form.
12. **Disclaimer of Liability.** Competitors participate in the series entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia, or other causes. In addition, each person understands and accepts all risk of exposure to communicable disease.