



Monthly One Design Class Regatta Race Instructions

ELIGIBILITY: Races are open to all Senior and Junior members of Pettipaug Yacht Club (PYC), registered guests and applicants for membership whose applications have been completed and submitted to the Membership Committee. All boats and Skippers must register with the Race committee prior to the first race of the day.

RESPONSIBILITY: It is the responsibility of the helmsman (skipper) of the yacht to see that she is seaworthy in hull, rig and gear and that she is properly manned and sailed. Participation in any race sponsored or run by PYC constitutes an agreement by the skipper and crew that neither PYC nor its officers, committee members, employees, agents or members shall be held responsible for any damages or injury to yachts or persons which may be suffered from any cause during or related to PYC activities.

CLASSES: The race committee will conduct races for any class represented by three or more boats desiring to race on any given race day.

CLASS REQUIREMENTS: Each boat must meet the class specified safety and weight requirements unless otherwise specified by the race committee. Single handed racing is permitted when crew is unavailable.

RULES: The current rules of the U.S Sailing Association and of the various classes, except as modified herein shall govern all races. The 720° turns penalty shall be used for all non-disputed Part 2 Rule infractions.

PROTESTS: Per U.S Sailing Association Racing Rules (Part 5); the protest committee shall consist of the race committee members for that day, plus as chairman that day, one other member who is a designated PYC protest committee appointee and who is not an interested party; but present that day and available to serve.

STARTING: The first race shall start approximately at 1130 HRS. Please arrive early to rig. Except for unusual circumstances, no race will be started later than 1400 HRS. Normally 5-6 races will be run each day of racing given appropriate wind and weather conditions. A short awards ceremony and cookout will normally follow the days racing around 1430 HRS.

The average time for a (once around) race should be 15-20 minutes. For each race of the day the following signals will be sounded:

3 Minutes: 3 long blasts

20 Seconds: 2 short blasts

2 Minutes: 2 long blasts

10 Seconds: 1 short blast

1 ½ Minutes: 1 long and 3 short blasts

5 Seconds to 1 Second: 1 short blast for each second

1 Minute: 1 long blast

Start: 1 long blast

30 Seconds: 3 short blasts

RECALLS: Specific boats identified early over the line shall be hailed verbally by boat numbers by the race committee. **General Recall:** 5 short blasts plus verbal announcement by the race committee. A new 3 minute starting sequence shall be initiated.

FINISHING: 1 short (horn) blast shall be sounded for the winner of each race. All other boats finishing shall receive 1 short whistle blow upon crossing the finish line.

TIME LIMIT: A race shall be cancelled if no boat has finished 1 hour after the races start and may be cancelled earlier at the discretion of the race committee. Certain special races may have longer time limits, which will always be announced prior to the race. Boats finishing after the expiration of the time limit shall be scored as DNF.

RACE COMMITTEE DUTY: Normally the PYC Dock and Grounds Attendant shall (as a part of their regular duties) run the monthly races and act as race committee. However, if they are unavailable and/or if no volunteers are available, the race committee chairman shall appoint a race committee.

SPINNAKERS: Not allowed during the monthly regattas however “whisker Poles” are permitted.

COURSES: The attached diagrams show the six course options. The appropriate course name will be announced by the race committee and corresponding letters will be displayed (if possible) to indicate the course to be sailed. The #2 following the course option means that the course is to be sailed twice around. The starting line is open; however the race committee boat is treated as a mark and can be set on either side of the start/finish line at the discretion of the race committee for that day or for that race. The penalty for touching any mark on the course is a 360° penalty turn (Rule 31 applies). **In any “twice around” race all boats must pass through the start/finish line at the beginning of the second rounding of the course.**

Scoring For PYC Monthly One Design Class Regattas

The US Sailing Assoc. Low-Point Scoring System (Appendix A4.1 & A4.2 of the Racing Rules) will be used.

FINISHING PLACE POINTS

First	1
Second	2
Third	3
Fourth	4

And so on

DNS, DNF, DSQ = the number of boats in the days fleet plus one

SCORING FOR THE MONTH:

The boat with the lowest total score is the winner for the month. All races are to be counted. Ties are determined under rules A7 and A8.1.2.

SCORING FOR THE SEASON:

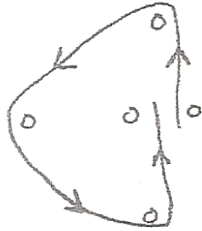
To qualify for the Season Championship you must sail in at least 50% of all the races sailed during the season. DNS races do not count. You can then throw out all your worst races (except for DSQ’S) beyond that 50% number.

For Example: Assume we sail a total of 31 races during the entire 5-regatta season. In order to qualify to place in the final standings for the season championship, you must sail at least 15 races. If you sailed all 31 races you could throw out your 16 worst races. If you sailed 21 races you could throw out your worst 6 races. (Except for DSQ’S) *This method encourages those who miss a monthly regatta to continue to sail and encourages everyone to sail more than the minimum, since sailing more races will improve your average score.*

COURSES

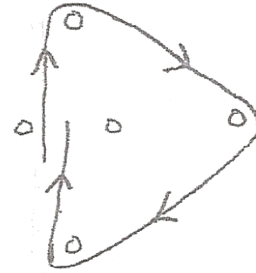


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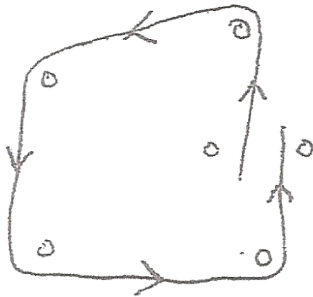
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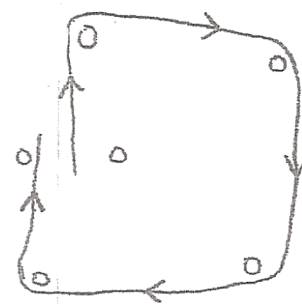
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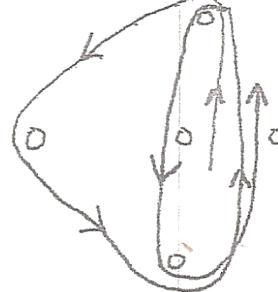
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