



2023 BCYC Tuesday Night Racing Series

(Spring, Summer and Fall)

Sailing Instructions (SI)

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

1.1) This Series and all races will be governed by the rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) (2021-2024).

2. ENTRIES

Competitors shall enter by delivering a completed entry form or on yachtscoring.com and paying the appropriate amounts before participating in any of the series of races (Spring, Summer and/or Fall). EACH VESSEL'S FEE MUST BE PAID IN FULL BEFORE ANY RACE CAN BE SCORED FOR THAT VESSEL.

3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Since the BCYC does not have a Club Bulletin Board, Notices to Competitors will be posted on the BCYC website and/or verbally relayed by the Race Committee boat using the "L" flag.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

No signals will be made ashore.

5. SCHEDULE and CLASS FLAGS

5.1) THE FIRST WARNING WILL BE NO EARLIER THAN 5:55PM

Race Schedule:

Warm up Race Tuesday May 9th

Spring Series May 16th - June 20th

Summer Series June 27th – August 15th

Fall Series August 22rd – October 3rd

5.2) Class Flags and starting order

1. JAM FLEET (Pink)

2. Spinnaker Fleet (Green)

5.3) A single race will be scheduled each evening; N over A flag will constitute no more racing for the evening.

6. CLUB MEETING PLACE

The Club Meeting Place will be at the Boyne City Municipal Marina. Changes in the meeting place may change and will be announced by the race fleet captains prior to the start of a night's race.

7. COURSES

7.1) Courses will consist of Windward/leeward triangle and or Modified Windward/Leeward Course or Distance Point to Point Course not to exceed 12 miles and will vary due to wind conditions.

7.2) The RC will display the heading, distance, and course type on a large white board prior to the first warning.

7.3) All marks are to port.

8. MARKS

8.1) Marks will be Orange or Yellow inflatable buoys.

9. STARTING LINES

The Starting line will be between Race Committee boat (orange flag) and the yellow or orange cylindrical buoy.

10. THE FINISH

10.1) Competitors shall finish between the RC boat (orange flag) and the leeward mark Buoy as defined by the definition of "FINISH".

11. TIME LIMIT

If no vessel has rounded the first mark within an hour of the first start the RC may abandon the race. For all other races, the time limit shall be at sunset, as defined in local time zone.

Any vessel not finishing within the above time limit will be scored DNF without a hearing. One vessel finishing within the time limit makes the race valid for all vessels in that fleet.

12. PROTESTS

12.1) Protests shall be delivered to the Club Meeting Place within 60 minutes after the Race Committee boat docks. Hearings will be held as soon as possible in the Club Meeting Place. Skippers or a vessel representative should appear there after the race if they have reason to believe they may be involved in a protest.

12.2) Racing Rule 44.1 will be changed as follows; A boat may take a One Turn penalty (One tack and One jibe) when she may have broken a rule of part 2 while racing.

13. GROUNDING

A grounded vessel may use engine power to re-float, but such vessel shall return to the course at a position at a point behind its position at the time of grounding.

14. COMMITTEE BOAT

Boats striking the RC Boat shall retire and are responsible for any damages. That vessel will be scored a DSQ, which cannot be thrown out. Race Management responsibilities, especially prior to the start; effectively preclude any dialog between racing vessels and the RC.

15. ADVERTISING per ISAF Regulation #20

16. SCORING and HANDICAPPING

16.1 Each night of racing will consist of 1 race with one score given per race.

16.2 A competitor's overall Tuesday night score will be used to calculate the series position; using the low point system.

16.2.1 One Tuesday night score constitutes a series

16.3 Throw outs:

16.3.1 Spring, 1 throw out if 6 nights are completed in the series. Summer and Fall series - 1 throw out if 7 nights are completed in a series.

16.4 Scoring system for all boats - MWPHRF calculated on yachtscoring.com

17. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

As a courtesy, the RC may broadcast on channel 69.

18. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions may be modified from time to time. The Race Fleet Captains shall notify skippers of record of such changes, no less than 24 hours before they are enacted. This will not pertain to editorial changes or corrections.

19. PRIZES and AWARDS

19.1) Top 3 boats, from each fleet, from each series, will be awarded with a flag

19.2) BOAT OF THE YEAR

19.2)1. Boats/Skippers that have shown exceptional sailing skills, improvement, enthusiasm, and /or have exemplified the Corinthian spirit of sail boat racing.

19.2)2. A Vote of Nominated boats will be held at the BCYC Racing Awards Banquet on October 10th, 2023, location TBD

20. SAFETY

20.1) All boats shall carry a VHF radio

20.2) Safety boats may not be available on a consistent basis

20.3) All boats shall comply with the current minimum equipment list required by the US Coast Guard and their class association

21. INSURANCE

21.1) Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.

22. CONTACT INFORMATION

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22.1) If you would like to be on the Sail Fleet email list, please email the address above with a request.

End of Sailing Instructions 1-06-23