

# Pine Beach Yacht Club Friday Night Sunfish

## 2017 Sailing Instructions

### 1. Rules.

Races will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of US Sailing, and these Sailing Instructions.

### 2. Notices to competitors.

All notices will be posted at the Pine Beach Yacht Club. The race committee will make an attempt to notify sailors that don't launch from PBYC of any changes to the sailing instructions.

### 3. Scoring.

3.1 The low point scoring system shall be used, counting the best scores from the number of races completed excluding one race for each 5 races completed.

3.2 The registered skipper will be scored.

3.3 Any competitor performing Race Committee duty on a day/night of a scheduled series is entitled to a redress (RDG) score for races missed. The RDG score will exclude any series race where the competitor did not compete (DNC), but will use all other scores (including drops) in determining the average. RDG scores will be included in consideration for qualification.

### 4. Course.

One of three courses will be chosen by the race committee before each race. A placard at the stern of the committee boat will show display a "W", "T" or "O" to designate the chosen course.

\*\*\*The Start / Finish line will be about halfway between the weather mark and the leeward mark. The port end of the line will be an inflatable orange mark. The starboard end of the line will be a flag on the committee boat. **The Gate is closed.** After starting you may not cross the line except to finish the race.

#### Course **W** (windward / leeward)

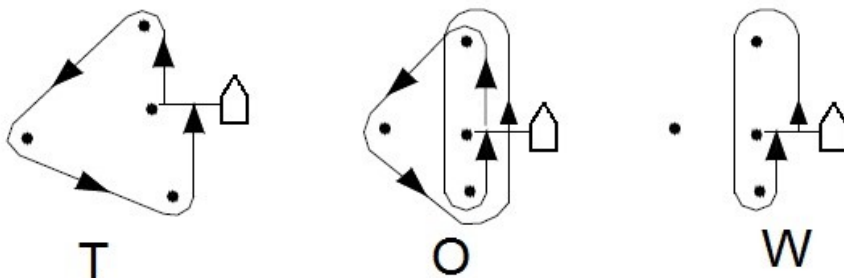
Start, weather mark to port, leeward mark to port, finish line.

#### Course **T** (triangle)

Start, weather mark to port, reach mark to port, leeward mark to port, finish line.

#### Course **O** (olympic)

Start, weather mark to port, reach mark to port, leeward mark to port, weather mark to port, leeward mark to port, finish line.



## 5. The Start.

First warning will be at 6:40PM each Friday.

A three minute starting sequence will use an air horn or a whistle. The sequence will be as follows:

1. a series of shorts sounds....."attention"
2. 3 long sounds....."3 minutes"
3. 2 long sounds....."2 minutes"
4. 1 long sound....."1 minute"
5. 3 short sounds....."30 seconds"
6. 2 short sounds....."20 seconds"
7. 1 short sound....."10 seconds"
8. 1 long sound....."START"

## 6. Recalls

Individual recalls will be hailed by the race committee with a long sound, the sail number(s) a the "X" flag displayed. General recalls will be signaled with a long sound and the display of the first substitute flag. In the event of a general recall, a new starting sequence will begin no sooner than 1 minute after the first substitute flag has been removed.

## 7. Time limit

No time limit will be assigned. A race can be abandoned at any time by the race committee for reasons such as high winds, light winds, thunderstorms, sunset....etc.

## 8. Penalties

The 720 rule is amended as follows: A boat that breaks a rule will do *one full turn* instead of two. The one full turn must include at least one tack and one jibe before resuming the race.

There is no mechanism in place to hear protests. *Please remember that the spirit of this series is to have fun and learn.*

## 9. Safety

Life jackets must be worn at all times.

## 10. Awards

Awards will be presented for 1st thru 3rd place.

Paid participants at the starting line for at least 60% of the race days in a series will be qualifiers. Awards will be given after racing on the final day of a series. Pizza will be served. BYOB