

# 2023 Series Racing Sailing Instructions



1. **Rules:** The Racing Series will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
2. **Notices to Competitors:** Notices to competitors will be posted on the bulletin board outside the RC Headquarters.
3. **Changes to the Sailing Instructions:** Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted 1.0 hour before the first start on the day that it takes effect, except that any changes to the schedule will be posted one week in advance.
4. **Signals made ashore:**
  - 4.1. Signals made ashore will be made on the main RC boat at the dock.
  - 4.2. When the flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 30 minutes" in the race signal AP.
5. **Schedule of Races** (See Club website for exact dates. All times Eastern Daylight Time.)
  - 5.1. Wednesday Night Series – One race scheduled each day.
    - a) Spring Series – 12 Wednesdays from 19 April – 5 July First Warning at 6:50 PM.
    - b) Summer Series – 12 Wednesdays from 12 July – 27 September First Warning at 6:50 PM.
  - 5.2. Sunday Honor Series – One race scheduled each day.
    - a) Spring Series – 12 Sundays from 23 April through 28 May then 11 June through 16 July. Race starts at 1:30 PM.
    - b) Summer Series – 12 Sundays from 23 July through 17 September then 1 October through 15 October. Race starts at 1:30 PM.
6. **Class Flags:** Class flags will be the color of their respective PHRF fleets as listed in the NOR and may be combined at the discretion of the race committee. Blue Fleet will always start with White Fleet.
7. **Racing Area:** The racing area will be Eagle Creek Reservoir.
8. **Courses.** Courses may use permanent marks in conjunction with temporary buoys. Courses will be indicated on the starboard side of the RC vessel using placards to indicate the marks and order of rounding. Course placards will have the Mark designation with a red or green background to designate the rounding. Temporary buoys (orange & white balls) shall be recognized as T, T1, T2, ETC. in the order of rounding. Gates will use yellow marker buoys and yellow placards.
9. **Marks:** Marks will be either the permanent race marks, temporary Orange, Red, White or Yellow Buoys. The approximate location of permanent marks is indicated in the attached map. Permanent marks that have drifted from their designated location shall not be grounds for granting redress.
10. **The Start: Wednesday Night and Sunday Series**
  - 10.1. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starting vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark. The port end may be a permanent mark, an orange ball, or a white ball.
  - 10.2. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall not interfere with the starting sequence for other races.
  - 10.3. **RRS 29.2 General Recall** is modified to allow the race committee to use any amount of time it wishes after lowering the general recall flag before resuming racing operations.
  - 10.4. As a courtesy to competitors, 5 short sounds will be made approximately 1 minute prior to the next warning signal.
11. **The Finish: Wednesday Night and Sunday Series** The Finish Line will be between the orange flag on the finish vessel and the last mark listed on the course card.
12. **Time limits:**
  - 12.1. If no boat has passed the first mark within 45 minutes of that class's start, the race shall be abandoned.
  - 12.2. If no boat has finished within 90 minutes of that class's start the race shall be abandoned.
  - 12.3. Wednesday Night Series and Sunday Series all boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat of that class sails the course will be scored together in last position if they are on the last leg of the race, and no other unfinished boats are further behind than the last leg. Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat of that class sails the course will be scored together in second to last place if there are other boats still not yet on the last leg of the course. In this event these last referred to boats will be scored together in last place. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.
13. **Protests:**

**Wednesday Night and Sunday Series**

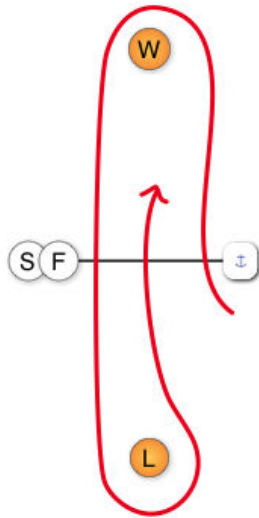
  - 13.1. Protest forms are available at the RC Headquarters. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within 30 minutes after the RC vessel has docked and sounded its horn.
  - 13.2. RC will post and make a verbal announcement at the race shed no later than 30 minutes after the protest time to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses and where the hearings will be held.
  - 13.3. Notices of protests by the race committee, technical committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
14. **Wind Limits:** When the RC anemometer is available and working, it shall be used to measure the true wind speed for the Wednesday night and Sunday races. Races will be run only if the anemometer wind speed averages more than 3 knot before the start. If the average wind speed before the race does not exceed 3 knots for 30 minutes the race shall be abandon. The race committee will postpone or abandon races if, in their judgement, the wind is too strong to support safe racing for all fleets.
15. **Withdrawal:** boats who retire before finishing shall contact the RC or safety vessels and declare their retirement from racing. (Does not apply to Sunday Honor Series)
16. **Scoring:** Scoring shall be by the Low Point Scoring System – RRS Appendix A (to include A5.3) will apply except as modified below.
  - 16.1. Boats must compete in at least 33% of scheduled races to qualify for any series. 51% of all races (rounded up to the nearest whole number) combined with the penalty score, if applicable (see 9(b) below), shall be scored for any one participant.
  - 16.2. Each boat shall begin each Racing Series with a penalty-score of seven (7) points that cannot be excluded and will not count towards qualification. Completion of RC or Safety duty will require two (2) crew members or a skipper and a crew member from the registered boat (that is at least two (2) representatives of each racing boat) volunteer in one of the four (4) posted volunteer racing assistant positions in advance at [www.signupgenius.com](http://www.signupgenius.com). If the boat is most frequently sailed single-handedly then only the skipper RC volunteer position will exonerate the penalty requirement. These volunteers must sign up for the **same night**. They will need to

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be sure that they list their registered boat sail number on the racing Scratch Sheet that evening. Upon completion of RC or Safety duty **FOR THAT SERIES** by a registered racer, the seven-point penalty score will be removed for that club member's designated boat. The club member completing the RC or Safety duty must list their applicable boat's sail number on the RC scratch sheet to remove the boat's penalty score. The race that the scoring penalty is removed, that sail number cannot be scored as racing. RC and Safety duty shall be satisfied even if racing is abandoned. The penalty-score system shall apply to both the Wednesday Night and Sunday Series individually.

17. **Prizes:** Prizes will be awarded as described in the Notice of Race.
18. **Boat and Skipper Qualification:** A boat or a skipper may only be entered once in any series race and the skipper must always be present on the boat for all races that are scored for that skipper and their respective boat in the series.



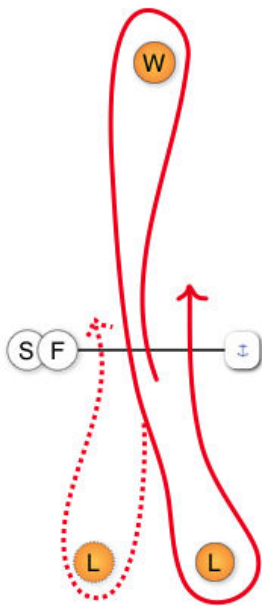
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LEEWARD**

**WIND  
DIRECTION**

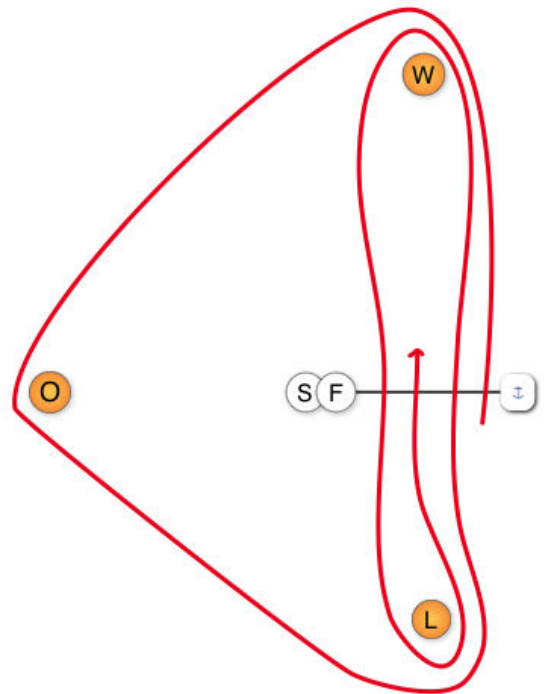


**KEY**

	Starting mark buoy
	Finish mark buoy
	Leeward rounding mark or leeward port gate
	If present, leeward rounding Mark starboard gate
	Windward rounding mark
	Offset rounding mark
	Race committee signal boat in position as a mark

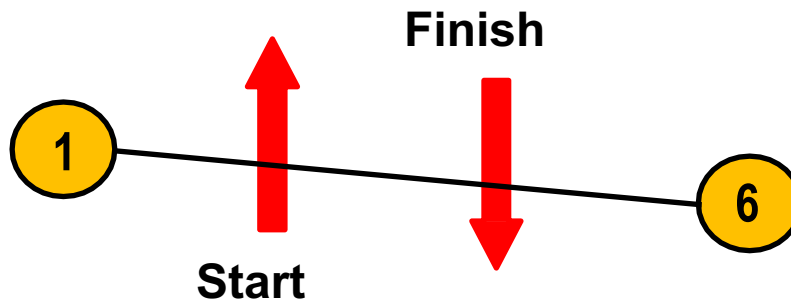
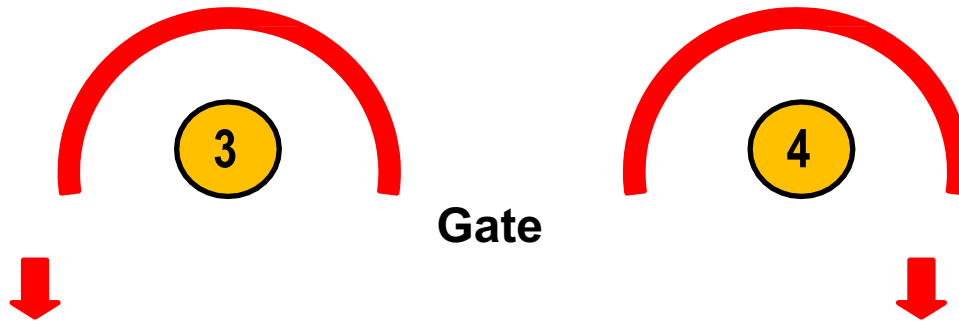


**WINDWARD-  
LEEWARD WITH  
GATE**



**MODIFIED  
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Sunday Honors Series Course



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