



**BCYC Tuesday Night Racing Series
(Spring, Summer, and Fall)
2017**

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 (2017-2020).

2. ENTRIES

Competitors shall enter by delivering a completed entry form and paying the appropriate entry fee to the Race Fleet Captain before May 16th, 2017. 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 website (www.boynecityyachtclub.com/RacingFleet.html) or **Yacht Scoring** (www.yachtscoring.com) 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 May 2nd / 9th

Spring Series May 16th - June 13th

Summer Series June 20th – August 22nd

Fall Series August 30th – September 26th

5.2) Class Flags and starting order

1. JAM FLEET (Pink)

2. Spinnaker Fleet (Green)

3. E-Scow Fleet (E-Scow Fleet Flag)

5.3) **Multiple races may 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 River Inn (BRI) for the spring and fall series and Sommerset Pointe for the Summer Series.

7. COURSES

- 7.1) Courses may consist of multiple leg Windward/Leeward, 5 leg Triangle courses and /or Modified Windward Leeward (All boats sail the same course)
- 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. 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

1. Each night of racing will consist of 1-3 races with one score given per race.
2. A competitor's overall Tuesday night score will be used to calculate the series position; using the low point system.
 - 2.1. One Tuesday night score constitutes a series
3. Throw outs:
 - 3.1. Spring and Fall series- 1 throw out if all 6 scores apply
 - 3.2. Summer series- 2 throw outs for 8 or 9 scores, 1 throw out for 6-8 scores.

17. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

As a courtesy, the RC may broadcast on channel 69 (and may monitor 16)

18. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions may be modified from time to time. The Race Fleet Captain 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

- 1) Top 3 boats, from each fleet, from each series, will be rewarded with a flag
 - 2) BOAT OF THE YEAR
 - 2)1. Boats/Skippers that have shown exceptional sailing skills, improvement, enthusiasm, and /or have exemplified the Corinthian spirit of sail boat racing.
 - 2)2. A Vote of Nominated boats will be held at the TNR season end crew party on **October 10th, 2017 at Sommerset Pointe Yacht Club**
2. **Safety**
 - 2.1) All boats shall carry a VHF radio
 - 2.2) Safety boats may not be available on a consistent basis
 - 2.3) Class rules apply for all required safety equipment
 3. **Insurance**
 - 3.1) Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$300,000.
 4. **Contact information**
 - 4.1) Tom@boynecityyachtclub.com

- 4.2) If you would like to be on the sail fleet email list, please email the address above with a request.

Awards Ceremony October 10th, 2017

End of Sailing Instructions