

# New Racers Fun Series

## Notice to Competitors

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**SI for June 17 - making it easy....**

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### **Notice:**

**ABYC New Racers Fun Series June 17, 2024**

### **Sailing Instructions**

*These instructions are for June 17 only and do not apply to other Monday nights*

#### **1. Format and Objectives**

1.1 This event will be a pursuit race. Boats will not start all together. Instead they will start at different times according to their PHRF handicap, with the slowest boat starting first and the fastest boat starting last. The first boat to finish wins the race.

1.2 Each boat's objectives are to start promptly after their own starting time, find their way around the course, and finish.

2. Marks The ABYC fixed mark course will be used. Marks are yellow spar buoys with black numbers. Even numbered buoys have black tops. See page 38 of the ONLINE events book for a diagram and coordinates. Note that the coordinates in the paper events book are OUT OF DATE. The online version is located at <https://abyc.ca/social-life/events-book/>

#### **3. The Course**

3.1 The signal boat will display three numbers, in black on a white board. The first number will be the windward mark, the second will be the jibe mark, and the third will be the downwind mark. The course will be start-windward-jibe-downwind-windward-finish. All marks will be left to port.

3.2 The start and finish will be at mark 0.

3.3 The race committee will attempt to shorten the course if the first boat is likely to

finish in significantly more than 30 minutes.

#### 4. The start

4.1 The starting line will be between the orange flag on the signal boat and ABYC mark 0.

4.2 Races will NOT be started according to RRS 26.

4.3 To alert boats that racing is about to begin, the race committee will go through one standard five-minute starting sequence (see table below).

Minutes before 1st boat starting time	Visual Signal	Sound Signal	Which Means...
5	Numeral Pennant 9 up	Short horn	Warning
4	Papa Flag Up	Short Horn	Preparatory
1	Papa flag down	One LONG horn	One minute to 2st boat's start
0	Num. Pennant 9 down	Short horn	<b>FIRST BOAT STARTS</b>

4.4 At the pre-race meeting, boats will be given a printed table showing the Starting Time Delay for each registered boat. A boat's starting time will be the **First Boat Starting Time plus her own Starting Time Delay**. Each boat's starting time does not depend on other boats' starting times or when they actually cross the start line.

4.5 Boats will start no earlier than their starting time calculated according to instruction 4.4

4.6 Boats that are over early will be advised by VHF. They shall then return to the pre-start side of the starting line and start over.

#### 5 Change of course after the start

5.1 To change the next weather leg of the course, the race committee will display a "C" flag with multiple sounds and a new weather mark number at the leeward mark.

#### 6 The finish

6.1 The finish line will be between a blue flag on a race committee vessel and mark 0.

6.2 If the course is shortened the finish will be between a Sierra flag on a race committee to starboard and the nearest fixed mark to port.

## 7 Scoring

7.1 The first boat that sails the course and finishes is the winner. The boat that finishes second will get second place, and so on.

7.2 THERE WILL BE NO SERIES SCORING (as in the Notice of Race.) The race committee may publish finish times for the edification of participants.

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