

Tall Oaks Yacht Club

2022 Sailing Instructions

Rules

The Tall Oaks Yacht Club Summer Series will be governed by the “Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024” as modified by these sailing instructions.

Entries

Yachts will be entered to race by doing all of the following: completing registration /release form, sign-in at the skippers’ meeting and contacting the Race Committee on VHF channel 6 before the start of each race. (Note: RC may use other channels if conditions dictate.)

Handicaps

PHRF-MA rating will be used for each race. Time on Distance or Time-on-time handicapping will be used in which each yacht’s actual elapsed time will be multiplied by a factor equal to $(550+PHRF)/650$ to arrive at their corrected time. If you do not have a current rating certificate and do not wish to secure one, the Race Committee will assign an arbitrary handicap to your vessel. Time on Distance handicapping will be the usual correction method.

Equipment Rules

- A. Any headsail secured to the standing rigging by less than four (4) hanks is prohibited.
- B. Twin headsails are prohibited.
- C. The length of any whisker pole is limited to the “J” measurement. Adjustable poles shall carry a black band on the inner section to indicate the maximum extension under this rule.
- D. VHF radio and all Coast Guard mandated equipment shall be carried on board.

Notice to Competitors

Notices to competitors will be posted on the notice board on the TOYC website.

Changes in the Sailing Instructions

Any changes in these Sailing Instructions will be announced at the Skippers’ Meeting.

Skippers’ Meeting and Course Setting

Skippers’ Meetings will be held at 0900 hrs. on the day of the race at the Silver Cloud Marina (Tall Oaks Picnic Area). Courses will be announced at the meeting but may be subsequently changed by the Race Committee if, in their opinion it would make for better racing, in which case the revised course will be announced over the designated radio channel before the start sequence.

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Schedule of Races

The first race each race day will normally be scheduled to start at 1200 hrs. or as specified in Notice of Race. When a second race is scheduled the same day, the second race will start as soon after the first race as possible. The Race Committee will announce the course and start time of the second race on the VHF channel designated above.

Racing Area

The racing area will be Barnegat Bay approximately 1nm northeast of “BB” unless otherwise noted.

The Start

Races will be started in accordance with Rule 26. The start line will be between the Race Committee (RC) boat at the starboard end and the starting mark at the port end of the starting line. Rule 30.1 will be in effect for all races, except that code flag “I” will not be displayed.

Changes of course after the start

Announcement of change of course or shortening of course will be made on VHF channel 6, as indicated above. There will be no “mark boat” and code flag “C” will therefore not be shown.

The Finish

The finish line will be between a staff flying an orange flag on the RC boat at the starboard end and the finishing mark at the port end of the finish line. When in the opinion of the Race Committee, the passage of time will not change the result of the race, the Race Committee may terminate the race and score those boat still racing but not having finished in accordance with their positions when the race is terminated. Those boats will be credited with finishing that race in their positions when the race is terminated. No time correction will be applied.

Scoring

The low point scoring system, Appendix A of the Racing Rules will apply, with first place being scored 1 point. The lowest score of the races run will be used to determine the boat’s placing in the series. Since there is a series of six (6) races scheduled, there will be one (1) throw-out allowed for each yacht entered in the series. Point totals will be scored after the throw-outs are applied to each yacht’s racing record.

Penalties

Penalties in accordance with the Racing Rules shall apply except that all penalties shall be one (1) 360° turn, consisting of one tack and one jibe.

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Courses

Southern Courses will be one of the following:

01	Start S1 to Fl W “BB”-P; “A”-P; Fl R “40”-S; “C”-S; “B”-P; Fl W “BB” Finish	9.11nm
02	Start S1 to Fl W “BB”-P; “A”-P; “B”-P; Fl W “BB” Finish	6.38nm
03	Start S1 to “A”-P; Fl R “40”-S; “C”-S; “A”-S; “B”-P; Fl W “BB” finish	10.05nm

For southern courses the start line will be between an orange flag on the committee boat and an orange ball. The finish line will be between an orange flag on the committee Boat and ICW “BB”

Central Courses will be one of the following:

A	Start S1 to “C”-P; “B”-P; “A”-P; “C”-P; “A”-S; S1 finish	10.42nm
B	Start S1 to “C”-P; “A”-P; “C”-P; “A”-S; S1 finish	9.50nm
W	Start S1 to “W”-P; “L”-P; “W”-P; “L”-P; S1 finish	10.0nm
L	Start S1 to “L”-P; “W”-P; “L”-P; “W”-P; S1 finish	10.0nm

Northern Courses will be one of the following:

C	Start S1 to “C”-P; “A”-P; “C”-P; “D”-P; S2 finish	8.27nm
D	Start S1 to “C”-P; “A”-P “C”-P; Fl G “39”-P; S2 finish	10.08nm
E	Start S1 to “C”-P; “A”-P “C”-P; Fl G “39”-P; “D”-P; S2 finish	10.35nm

For central and northern courses, the start line and finish line will be between an orange flag on the committee boat and an orange ball.

Description of Marks

Mark “A” & Mark “W” Yellow tetrahedron inflatable
Mark “B” Orange Cylinder
Mark “C” & Mark “L” Yellow Cylinder
Mark “D” Orange Cylinder
Fl G “39” ICW Marker
Fl R “40” ICW Marker
Fl W “BB” ICW Marker
S1 and S1 – Tall Oaks Yacht Club Committee Boat and orange ball.

Location of Marks

For approximate locations of marks see Tall Oaks Yacht Club Race Chart A