

# SIGN IN WITH RACE COMMITTEE PRIOR TO EACH THURSDAY NIGHT RACE

2017 Thursday Night Races  
May- September, 2017  
Lake Yosemite Sailing Association  
Sailing Instructions

1. **RULES:** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
2. **NOTICES TO RACERS/ CHANGES TO SIs** will be posted on the official notice board located by the back door of the LYSA Clubhouse. Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1730 on the day it will take effect.
3. **SIGNALS MADE ASHORE** will be displayed from the lake end of the LYSA docks.
4. **SCHEDULE OF RACES:** There will be one race every Thursday. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first class is 1830.
5. **CLASS FLAGS** will be the Alphabetical pennant for the Class as announced at the skipper's meeting.
6. **THE COURSES:** The 2017 Course Map shows the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left. The approximate course length is also shown. No later than the warning signal, the RC will designate the course by displaying the course number.
7. **MARKS** are orange inflatable balls, approximately 2 feet in diameter, except for Mark 4 which is a small island.
8. **THE START:** Races will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal. The starting line will be between the two orange/red balls. Boats, whose warning signal has not been made, shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
9. **THE FINISH:** The finishing line will be between the two orange/red balls, which also functions as the Start line. Boats on the downwind leg from Mark 1 to Mark 8 shall not pass through the Start/Finish line. Boats that have finished shall keep clear of the start/finish area.
10. **TIME LIMITS:** Boats failing to finish within 60 minutes after the first boat in their fleet sails the course and finishes, will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35,A4 and A5.
11. **PROTESTS & REQUESTS FOR REDRESS:** To initiate a protest, the skipper must notify BOTH the boat being protested (by hailing "protest" at the time of the alleged infringement) and the RC upon completion of the race and fly a protest flag. Protest forms are available at the LYSA Clubhouse. For each class, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The Protest Committee will hear both sides as soon as possible after racing that day & will render a decision. Decisions of the protest committee will be final as provided in rule 70.5.
12. **SCORING:** The low point scoring system of Appendix A will apply. There will be 2 throw outs per half. Spinnaker, non-spinnaker, open centerboard, and multi-hull fleets will be scored separately. Entire series is broken down into two halves.
13. **SAFETY REGULATIONS:** A boat that retires from a race shall notify the RC as soon as possible.
14. **EQUIPMENT:** All boats racing as a class shall conform to the class specifications. (PHRF Fleet shall conform to their NCPHRF Certificate and the Fleet rules.)
15. **PRIZES** will be awarded at the end of the season for places in each half (based on number of entries) and overall champion of each fleet.
16. **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY:** Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damages or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta.