

CYC 2009 G.O. Fleet

## **Sailing Instructions**

**RULES:** Races will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing.

**CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:** Changes in the sailing instructions may be orally communicated at a Skipper's meeting and posted immediately thereafter. Oral instructions may be communicated to all competitors on the water.



**SIGNALS MADE ASHORE:** Signals made ashore shall be displayed from the flagstaff on the docked RC Signal Boat. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1minute' is replaced with 'not less than 25 minutes' in the race signal AP.

SCHEDULE: Wednesday evenings beginning May 27, 2009. Last day of racing is September 23, 2009.

## **INITIAL START SCHEDULE:**

1700 – 1745	Registration for the season
1745	Skippers meeting (5/27/09 and thereafter as deemed necessary by RC)
1800	Harbor signal
1825	Warning
1830	Start

As dusk comes earlier, start time changes will occur. A complete schedule of start times and race results may be found on the GO Fleet website <u>www.gofleet.windwhisper.org</u> and is also accessible at the Club website <u>www.sailcyc.com</u>.



**BACK-TO-BACK:** If the RC intends to start another race, it will display the Second Substitute (with no sound) while boats are finishing.

**CLASS FLAG**: The Class Flag will be Code Flag **G**.



**POSTPONEMENT:** In the event of a postponement, no race will start after 1915 hours.

**DIVISIONS:** "A Fleet" shall consist of all boats that have not been assigned to "B Fleet". The PRO may assign boats with inexperienced skippers and slower boats to the "B Fleet" to facilitate timely finishes. The "B Fleet" shall sail a shorter course. Both divisions shall start together.

**NO FORDECK RULE:** Genoa only racing. Flying sails (spinnakers, gennakers, etc.), spinnaker and whisker poles shall not be used. Head sails may be set "wing-and-wing" without the use of a whisker pole. The penalty for not observing this No Foredeck Rule is DSQ if protested.

**TIME LIMIT:** The time limit for the first boat to reach the first mark is 45-minutes. The time limit for any boat to *finish* shall be 90-minutes. Boats not finishing within 90-minutes of their respective starting times will be scored DNF.

**SHORTENED COURSE:** The course may be shortened to finish at the mid-leg position by displaying Code Flag **C** plus an **"FM**" placard with multiple sounds at the preceding mark.

**THE COURSES:** A triangular course with mid-line start/finish shall be set. The **"A Fleet"** shall sail the red course; the **"B Fleet"** shall sail the shorter blue course as illustrated in the course diagram.

AWARDS: Informal awards presentation at the CYC Club House.

**RADIO COMMUNICATIONS:** Except in an emergency or to report retirements and protests, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones. Mobile phone calls of a personal nature are exempt from this restriction. The RC *may* communicate with competitors via marine VHF radio on Channel 9. The RC *may* broadcast its intentions, count-down to starts, OCS, etc. as a courtesy. Failure of the RC to make a broadcast or failure of a boat to hear a broadcast shall not be grounds for redress.

