

# Sailing Instructions

Women On Water AZ Regatta

Hosted by Tumbleweed Sailing

November 3-5, 2023, Lake Pleasant Outdoor Center, Peoria, Arizona

## 1. RULES

All races will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS 2021-2024).

## 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted at [tumbleweedsailing.com/wowzr/](http://tumbleweedsailing.com/wowzr/) prior to 700 Sunday and posted in the mess hall at the Desert Outdoor Center.

## 3. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

will be posted at [tumbleweedsailing.com/wowzr/](http://tumbleweedsailing.com/wowzr/) prior to 0830 Sunday.

## 4. SKIPPER'S MEETING

will be held at the Lake Pleasant Outdoor Center. **The skipper's meeting will be Saturday evening at 2000 (8:00pm)**

## 5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

RACE DAY	DATE	FIRST WARNING
Sunday fleet racing	Nov. 5 2023	0915 First Warning

*No warning signal shall be made after 12:55 on Sunday.*

## 6. CLASS BOARDS

In the Warning or Preparatory period a fleet and its course will be displayed using flags aboard the Race Committee boat.

## 7. THE COURSES

7.1. The course to be sailed will be designated with flags as described on the WOWZR Lake Pleasant Chart.

7.2. On legs of the course that pass the start line and finish line, the lines may be left either to port or to starboard.

On such legs, the lines are, for reasons of safety, an obstruction. Any boat that passes through the start or finish lines after completing the first leg of the course, except to finish, shall be scored **“Disqualified” (DSQ) without a hearing.** This

changes rule 28.2.

## 8. MARKS

Marks will be inflatable Orange marks per the WOWazR Lake Pleasant Chart.

## 9. THE START

9.1. Class flags will be explained at the skipper's meeting.

9.2. The starting line will be between the Blue flag on the Race Committee (RC) boat's flagstaff and the small, round red buoy starting mark. Start mark may be on either side of the committee boat.

9.3. A boat whose warning signal has not yet been displayed **shall** avoid the starting area.

## 10. THE FINISH

The finishing line is between the RC boat (flying the blue 'finish' flag) and the small, round yellow buoy finishing mark. Finish mark may be on either side of the RC boat.

## 11. TIME LIMITS

11.1. Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat in their fleet finishes will be scored "Time Limit Expired" (TLE). This changes rule A4

11.2. No warning signal shall be made after 12:55 on Sunday.

## 12. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

Within 30 minutes of the end of the final race the Race Committee will sound one horn at the Anchor Drop building and then sound two horns 30 minutes later. Any protest must be filed with the Race Committee at the Anchor Drop building within that 30-minute period.

Protest forms are available from the Race Committee or at the Anchor Drop on Sunday.

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## SCORING

- 12.1. One race is required to be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 12.2. Rule A5.3 will apply.
- 12.3. A boat starting later than fifteen (15) minutes after her starting signal will be scored "Did Not Compete" (DNC)
- 12.4. Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat in their fleet finishes will be scored 'Did Not Finish' (DNF)

## 13. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 13.1. All boats must check in by sailing aft of the Race Committee on starboard tack and hailing FLEET and SAIL NUMBER before their first race.
- 13.2. It is mandatory that life jackets be worn at all times.
- 13.3. A boat that retires from a race or retires from racing before the end of the race day **shall** notify the Race Committee as soon as possible. Use VHF Channel 68
- 13.4. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, 'Decision to Race'. Tumbleweed Sailing will not accept any liability for personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the event.

## REGATTA CONTACTS

Event Organizing Authority  
[tumbleweedsailing.com/wowzr/](http://tumbleweedsailing.com/wowzr/)

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