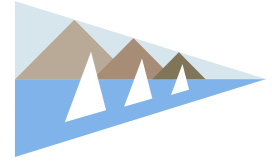




2020 ROCKY MOUNTAIN SNIPE REGATTA
Labor Day Weekend, Sept. 5-6, 2020
Union Sailing Club and Snipe Fleet #210



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

MANAGEMENT AND RULES

The Organizing Authority is Snipe Fleet #210.

The regatta shall be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing ("RRS").

All races are under the management of the Race Committee of the Rocky Mountain Snipe Regatta and shall be conducted in accordance with

- the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing ("RRS"), with US Sailing Prescriptions;
- the current SCIRA Class Rules, Bylaws, and Rules of Conduct for Conducting National and Local Regattas;
- these Sailing Instructions.

ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

The regatta is open to current members of Union Sailing Club who are in good standing with USC. Boats shall enter the Regatta by being present, on the water at first gun.

FEES

There will be no charge for this Regatta. Donations and Membership Dues to Fleet #210 are much appreciated but not required: <http://www.fleet210.org/join-now/>

SCHEDULE

Saturday, September 5

09:00 am – Check-in and (Socially Distant) Competitors' Meeting

10:00 am – First Gun, Five (5) or more races planned, no races to be started after 4:00 pm

We are not planning on breaking for lunch, depending on wind conditions. Please bring your lunch on board.

Sunday, September 6

2:00 pm – Three (3) races sailed with regular USC Sunday races

TBD – Socially distant awards ceremony after Sunday racing

Competitors' Meeting

There will be a short, socially distant Competitors' meeting prior to the first race on Saturday, signaled by two sound signals.

COURSES

The race course will be described at the competitors' meeting. Courses will be designated on a magnetic board on the Race Committee boat before each race by a series of numbers and letters that correspond to the order in which marks are to be passed and ending with "F" for finish. All Courses will be "Port Around".

THE START

The AP Flag (red and white striped Answering Pennant) will be displayed when the Race Committee boat is "on station" on the starting line, and will be lowered approximately one minute prior to the 5-minute warning signal (class flag). The starting line is between the mast hoisting an orange flag on the Committee boat and the course side of the starting pin. If a postponement is signaled after the warning signal (5-minute signal - class flag), a new warning signal will be made approximately one minute after lowering the postponement signal.

REPORTING AT THE START

Before starting the first race, each day, the Committee Boat will display the L Flag (yellow and black Checkered, "Come to Within Hail"). During this time each boat is REQUIRED to sail past the stern of the Race Committee boat on starboard tack and

check in by hailing its Sail Number and Skippers last name. When the Race Committee verbally acknowledges a boat's sail number, the entry has been officially noted. Any boat failing to check in as specified above shall be scored CNF.

RECALLS

Individual recalls will be signaled by code flag "X" (blue cross on white field) and one sound signal. As a courtesy, the Race Committee will attempt to hail premature starters, but failure to be hailed or to hear a hail is insufficient cause for redress. A **general recall** will be signaled by the 1st Substitute (blue triangle with yellow center) and two sound signals. The 1st Substitute will be lowered approximately one minute prior to a new warning signal (class flag).

SHORTENED COURSE

At its discretion, the Race Committee may shorten the while a race is in progress. A shortened course will be signaled by code flag "S" (white square with blue) and two sound signals.

FINISH

The finish line will be between the mast hoisting an orange flag on the Race Committee boat and the course side of the finishing pin (same as the starting pin). A boat finishes when any part of her hull, or crew or equipment in normal position, crosses the finishing line from the course side. However, she has not finished if after crossing the finishing line she (a) takes a penalty under rule 44.2, (b) corrects an error under rule 28.2 made at the line, or (c) continues to sail the course.

In the event that the Race Committee is unable to set a finish line, boats shall finish and note their place in the order. The finishing line is a line through the remaining mark at a 90-degree angle to the last leg and the shortest practical length. If the Race Committee is absent when a boat finishes, she should report to the race committee her finishing position in relation to nearby boats at the first reasonable opportunity.

WITHDRAWING FROM THE RACE

A boat which exits the course before a start or without finishing shall notify the Race Committee at the first opportunity.

PROTESTS

Another boat may be protested by a boat according to the US Sailing Rule 61.

Protests shall be filed as follows: a) notify the Race Committee of your protest when you finish; any boat intending to protest or request redress shall notify the Race Committee immediately after finishing that race, or if unable to finish, within 30 minutes after the Race Committee boat returns to shore. b) All equipment and eligibility protests must be filed for each race; and c) protests must be filed with the Race Committee in writing, on forms available from the Race Committee, within one hour after the Race Committee boat returns to shore.

SCORING

This regatta will be scored using the Low Point System of Appendix A of the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020, except that a) a boat that does not start a race (DNS) or does not compete (DNC) shall be awarded points equal to the number of boats registered in the regatta, b) a boat that does not finish a race (DNF) or is OCS (on the course side at the start and does not properly restart) shall be awarded points equal to the number of boats starting that race, c) a boat failing to properly check-in (CNF) shall receive a scoring penalty of two (2) points. If 6 or more races are scored, each boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

AWARDS

Skipper and crew for first through fifth places.

DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. Snipe Fleet #210, Union Sailing Club, Union Reservoir Park, and the City of Longmont will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

FURTHER INFORMATION

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