

Safety Plan

Colorado Sail and Yacht Club 2007

The first rule of safety for all sailing is - *The skipper of his/her boat is responsible for go-no go decisions, staying or getting off the lake and conduct while on the boat.*

Colorado State Parks require:

- * approved PFDs for each person aboard
- * approved throw able PFD
- * an effective whistle or horn
- * valid boat registration

Race Committee will decide in conjunction with the Race Director or designee if it is safe to leave the docks. Consideration will be given to wind speed, ambient temperature, water temperature and weather conditions. Their conversations can be monitored on VHF radio Channel 68.

CS&YC recommends that each racing boat has an operable VHF radio on board. Race Committee may be giving instructions about the course, start, or shortening course using Channel 68. Boats are asked to not to use their VHF for anything other than to respond to the Race Committee if asked to do so. VHF's will be used to receive rather than to send information and not for check in purposes. Boats without radios will not be given redress for missed communications.

After the Committee Boat raises the Postponement (AP) Flag, proceed to check in with the by sailing off her stern on a starboard tack close enough to hail them your sail number and number of people on board. Wait for their response and then clear the area.

There will be two starts each evening. If you are in the second start, stay away from the start/finish line until your sequence starts. Failure to do so may lead to a DSQ.

In the event weather conditions change drastically, lightning is close or a dangerous situation occurs on the water the Race Director/Designee and Race Committee will confer. If the decision is made to abandon all racing and go to shore the Race Committee will fly the Abandon Race Flag (N) and leave their station. They will also broadcast the decision on Channel 68.

In case abandonment is necessary, look for your fleet members, help anybody in distress and get to shore as soon as possible. Meet at the CSYC bulletin board on "B" dock so we can take a count of boats and be sure everyone is safe.

Racing Rules of Sailing 1.1

A boat or competitor shall give all possible help to any person or vessel in danger.

Important numbers in case of emergencies or disasters

911

Chatfield Marina 303-791-5555

Douglas County Sheriff's Department 303-660-7500

Sail Fast, Sail Fair, Be Safe