

CHINA FLEET

Any sailboat can participate in "China Fleet". It's simply a run around the marks with no concern for handicaps.. It's a simple way to be involved in Wednesday night racing. If you want to be included in the scoring, simply sail by the committee boat and tell them your name and that you are in China Fleet.

The new Fleet , **China Fleet**, all will start at the gun and drop of class flag (what we consider the official start). It is not necessary to record start time of these boats. Finish this fleet as scratch finish, i.e. first to finish give a gun, give horn to those finishing second, third, etc. It is not necessary to record the finish time of this fleet, but do write down their finish position with, 1, 2, 3, 4, etc.

POSTING COURSE BOARD ON COMMITTEE BOAT:

COURSE BOARD			
TOP BOX	1	2	START NUMBER , i.e. 1st & 2nd STARTS *
2ND BOX	182		COMPASS HEADING TO WINDWARD MARK
3RD BOX	F 1	M 1	COURSE AND LAPS **
4TH BOX	5	3	DISTANCE IN MILES

* START NO. 1.... CRUISING, RACING, MULTIHULL FLEETS

* START NO. 2.... NEW FLEET (call it the China Fleet for now)

** IF COURSE IS JUST A WINDWARD LEWARD, START 1 WILL BE W2, 4 MILES OR 5 MILES,

START 2 WILL BE W 1, 2 MILES

OR 2 1/2 MILES

(ABOVE IS JUST AN EXAMPLE, CHOOSE

WHATEVER YOU LIKE, but make a much shorter course for the China Fleet)

FLAG/SOUND SEQUENCE:

There will be only one flag/sound sequence, follow the traditional 11 minute sequence. Handicap boats, i.e. **Racing, Cruising and Multihull Fleets** will start based on their published handicap start times, record start time of each boat. Finish these fleets as you would normally do, i.e. gun for first finishing boat of each fleet, all others a horn and record finish time each boat.

OTHER:

The goal is to have fun on Wednesday night races, encourage typical non-racers to get out and learn on their boats about the racing program and to continue participation due to the deep draft boats having been hauled out.

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