



Welcome to the TSA – Canyon Chaos Regatta 2021!

We're glad you can join us, and we hope you enjoy your visit to Lake Canyon Yacht Club. In order to make your visit safe and enjoyable, here are a few items to keep in mind:

TRAILER SAFETY CHAINS

TRAILER SAFETY CHAINS ARE REQUIRED TO BE IN USE WHENEVER A VEHICLE TOWING A TRAILER IS IN MOTION ANYWHERE ON LCYC PROPERTY.

We can't emphasize this enough. Our launch grade is very steep (19 degrees) and long. You will not be allowed to launch or retrieve unless you have trailer safety chains engaged.

Gate Code	The gate should be open during the regatta, but if it closes, use the code: 1 2 0 2
Car Parking	Please do not park vehicles in the upper launch ramp paved area after noon on Friday as this area is reserved for boats on dollies and rigging of boats. You may park your cars in the upper lot and near the clubhouse, if spots are available. Please be courteous of others, and do not park such that you block residents or streets.
Trailer Parking	You can park your trailer inside the property near the gate. Please be courteous and make room for as many as possible. <u>No trailer parking will be available near the Clubhouse or ramp areas.</u>
Camping	Unfortunately, no camping on the grounds this year!
Zebra Mussels	Canyon Lake is classified an "Infested" lake by the TPWD. Please help stop the spread of this invasive species by thoroughly cleaning and drying your boats before you launch them in another body of water.
Powerboat Launching	The best times for Spectators and Coaches to launch powerboats are before 8:30 a.m. on either day, and after all kids have launched for the race course (10:30 on Sat, 9:30 on Sunday). BASIC RULE – You will not be permitted to launch or retrieve when the competitors are doing the same. We will have ramp volunteers to direct traffic. Once you launch your boat, move it as far down the dock as possible to make room for others who may be launching.
Sailing Instructions and Race Notice Board ONLINE	 <p>In keeping with our Clean-Regatta Goals, we ask you to use the online copy of the Sailing Instructions on the Regatta Network site:</p> <p>https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/21937</p> <p>We will also use the online Race Notice Board, located above.</p>
COVID Guidance	Sailors should not compete if they are experiencing COVID symptoms. Participants are encouraged to launch, rig and leave the dock as soon as practical before race starts. Boat recovery should also be done quickly and post-race gatherings on the dock should be limited to avoid any unnecessary congregating.



We are so proud and excited to have once again partnered with *Sailors for the Sea* to make this 2021 TSA circuit regatta a Clean Regatta!

We invite you to help us in this very important cause.

Please:

- ✓ Use refillable water bottles – no more single-use bottles! We have plenty of water fountains and places for you to refill this weekend.
- ✓ Place your plastic and aluminum recyclables in the RED recycling cans conveniently located on the grounds and docks.
- ✓ Bring your cardboard and boxes to the Clubhouse. We'll make sure they get into the bulk recycling dumpster.
- ✓ If you see trash – especially out on the lake – please pick it up and dispose of it properly. This includes discarded fishing line – this is especially nasty stuff for our wildlife!

And after the regatta:

- ✗ Say no to single-use water bottles!
- ✗ Say no to straws!

... and check out these fantastic resources:

Sailors for the Seas

<https://www.sailorsforthesea.org/>

Clean Seas – Turn the Tide on Plastics

<http://www.cleansas.org/>

11th-Hour Racing

<http://11thhourracing.org/>

Ocean Change Makers

<http://www.oceanchangemakers.com>

Marine Debris Tracker app

<http://www.marinedebris.engr.uga.edu/>

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TRAILER SAFETY REVIEW & CHECKLIST

Properly sized and installed Ball, Hitch, Coupler and Safety Chains are required for launching and recovery.

It is the responsibility of the owner/vehicle operator to understand the loads and install the proper Hitch, Ball, Coupler and Safety Chains and ensure that his/her boat does not become detached from the vehicle.

Here are some points and considerations gathered from TAC 37. 21.5 (d) and SAE J684 sec 7. These are not all inclusive and your boat and trailer may require additional safety measures.

If you are unsure of your Trailer and Boat combined Gross Vehicle Weight (GVW), you should determine it to ensure that your Hitch, Ball, Coupler and Safety Chains are sufficient.

The Trailer's Ball Coupler should be sized to the Ball being used and properly adjusted to minimize play and to prevent popping off. You should inspect the coupler and test it to ensure it is properly seated and attached. Use a Pin, Lock or Bolt to ensure that the Coupler locking lever is secured. Also ensure that the Ball is in good condition and properly bolted or attached to the Hitch.

Ensure that the Vehicle Hitch Bolt and Locking Pin are secured.

Safety chains should be sized to fit the job. Each link/piece in the chain must have an ultimate strength of not less than the gross vehicle weight (GVW) of the items being towed. Over-rated chains are OK.

Chains should have no more slack than is necessary to permit the vehicle to turn properly and should be attached to the sides of the trailer tow bar, equal lengths on either side. The S hook style chains are not recommended although they might be sufficient for a light-weight trailer & boat. Gated Clevis Hooks with chains are preferred. The hooks should be clipped to the vehicle's frame, not the receiving hitch, in a crossed fashion (to act as a cradle for the tow bar in the event of accidental release). The hooks should be gated for a better connection.

Avoid applications that alter the Hitch, Ball, Coupler, Chains and connections in any way. Welding, stretching links to accommodate bolts and twisting them to shorten the effective length reduces the overall chain strength. Safety Cables without additional Chains and Clevis Hooks are not recommended.

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TRAILER CONNECTION GENERAL CONDITION
SELF-INSPECTION CHECK LIST**

Surface rust

Penetrating rust

Are any chain links stretched?

Is chain welded or any links damaged?

Any signs of wear, stress or chain drag?

If S-hook, are they are Gated?

Using Gated Clevis Hooks

Equal distance on either side of tow bar

Chains are Crossed (and not twisted)

Securely attached to side or top of trailer

Securely clipped to the vehicle frame

Both trailer and boat are insured