

**Rules:**

We will generally follow the RRS (2025-2028) but this is a fun-learning series that promotes sailing, so it is relaxed. All boats shall carry their own safety gear and sailors should dress appropriately for the day; we're casual, but not casual about safety. A PFD must be worn at all times while around the water; no exceptions. Closed-toed shoes are a must.

**Entries:**

Opti, Laser Standard, Laser Radial, and Laser 4.7, All Opti boats and Opti classes will be sailed and scored as one class. All ILCA/ Laser classes will be scored together, but separate from Opti. Sailors may vary rigs from week-to-week. AHSEP has Opti's and a limited number of Lasers to borrow and you will be requested to reserve and sign these out. Sailors will be responsible for any damage incurred while racing.

**Eligibility:**

Any sailor age 8-15. Sailors should be competent in rigging, launching and getting around the course without assistance. Sailors should be expected to self-rescue. We can't guarantee that we will have a safety boat aside from the RC on the water.

**Entry fee:** \$100 for the series.

**Schedule:**

Thursdays (July 9, 16, 23, 30)

5 PM EST - Arrive at Popamora Park, Rig Boat (Popamora Point Beach- Henry Hudson Trail, 369 Shore Drive in Highlands)

5:15 PM EST - Chalk talk

5:20 PM EST - Launch boats

5:30 PM EST - 1st Warning Signal Lasers

5:35 PM EST - 1st Warning Signal Opti

5:30- 7PM - Racing, we will try to fit as many short races in as we can.

7 PM EST - Racing over

7-8 PM EST - De Rig, De Brief and head home

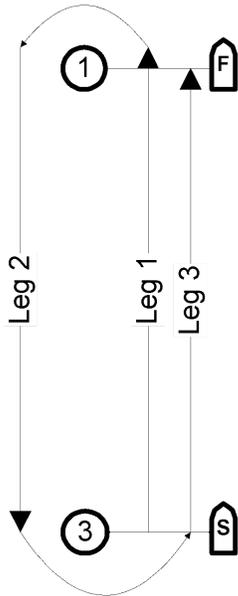
**Launching:**

Sailors will rig inside or near the fenced AHSEP area. They will then bring their boats to the beach on dollies and launch from there. Dollies will remain on the beach, above the tide line, until racing is over.

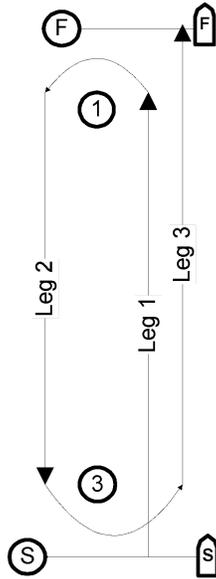
**Format/Racing:** Courses will either be windward leeward or triangle courses. We will review the courses prior to heading out on the water.

## Windward-Leeward, 3 legs

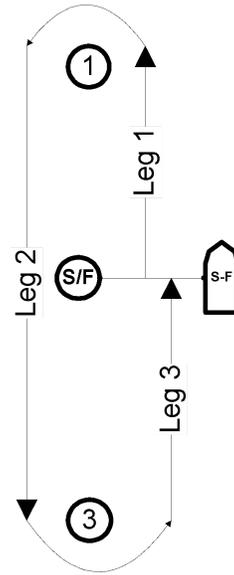
Start at leeward mark, finish at windward mark



Offset start and finish lines

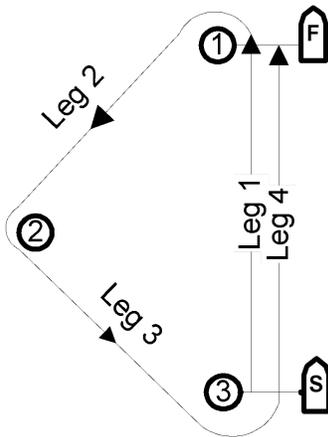


Mid-leg Start/finish

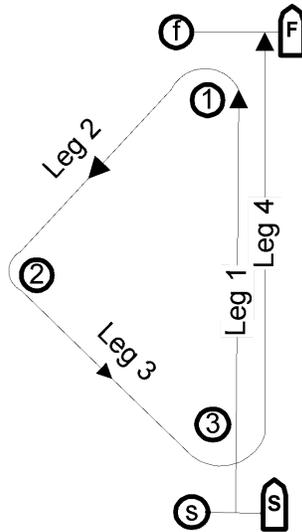


## Triangle + Windward, 4 legs total

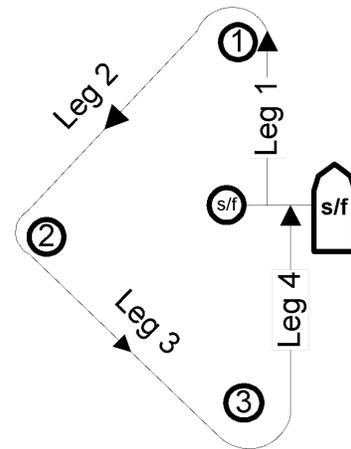
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**Time limit:** The first sailor must finish within 1 hour otherwise the race will be abandoned. Any starting sailors not finishing within 20 minutes of the first sailor will be marked Time Limit Expired (TLE).

**Marks:** The turning marks will be orange buoys, but they might be another color depending upon whatever marks the RC person grabs. The RC will let you know before the First Warning Signal.

**Protests:** Don't, just don't. First and foremost, this is a learning environment. Any gross infractions will be handled after racing in a group debrief. If you can resolve an error on the water with a 360 degree penalty turn, please do that. Any yachtsmen not able to abide by the honor system will be asked not to return.

**Scoring:** Low point scoring system will be used. One completed race shall constitute a series.

**Race Committee:** RC will be whatever volunteer and whatever boat we can wrangle. If you have experience as a parent, please feel free to volunteer.

**Awards:** Awards will consist of bragging rights and probably candy

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