

# SAYRA Junior Code of Ethics ✓

## The Code

- Treat other persons and their property as you know they should be treated, and as you wish them to treat you and your property.
- Regard the racing rules as agreements, the spirit or letter of which you should not evade or break.
- Be gracious in victory and defeat.
- Be cooperative and respectful. Your actions on and off the water reflect on you and your sailing organization.

## Guidelines

- Know and abide by the racing rules, using the protest process when necessary.
- Obey event regulations, on and off the water.
- Be organized, be prepared, and be responsible for your own equipment.
- Help and encourage others; cooperate with and assist others.
- Be polite on and off the water to race officials and other sailors. Thank the Race Committees and other members of the host club.

## Enforcement

- Junior sailors who “swear at, intimidate, or harass anyone, including teammates, on or off the water” may be protested under Fundamental Rule 2 of The Racing Rules of Sailing, or disciplined by the regatta committee. ← still same rule
- Junior sailors who “steal or borrow”, without permission, anything that does not belong to them” may be disciplined by the regatta committee, expelled from the regatta by the regatta committee, or brought to the attention of the local police.
- Junior sailors who “use controlled substances” may be disciplined by the regatta committee, expelled from the regatta by the regatta committee, or brought to the attention of the local police.

## **Guidelines for Instructors**

- Follow and promote the SAYRA Junior Code of Ethics.
- Be aware of their enormous influence on the sailors in their charge and strive to model the highest ethical and moral conduct.
- Promote the total sport of sailing, not just racing.
- Place winning in the context of fun, good sportsmanship, and fair play.
- Take an active role in the prevention of drug, alcohol, and tobacco use.
- Be aware of their responsibility for the supervision and welfare of the sailors in their charge at all times.
- Understand that they must uphold event regulations, on and off the water.
- Be thoroughly acquainted with the racing rules, encourage adherence to the rules, and teach, not only the rules, but also the procedures to be followed in the protest process.
- Assist all sailors to develop to their fullest potential.
- Encourage sailors to be organized, to be responsible for their own equipment, and to respect the property of others.

## **Guidelines for Parents**

- Support and promote the SAYRA Junior Code of Ethics.
- Place winning in the context of fun, good sportsmanship, and fair play.
- Promote the total sport of sailing, not just racing.
- As spectators, remain out of the race course area, manage their boats properly.
- Remember that any coaching DURING a race is prohibited.
- Show respect for race officials and regatta rules.
- Understand that alcohol and illegal drugs have no place at any junior sailing event.
- Model supportive and ethical behavior to the junior sailors.

## **Guidelines for Race Committees and Regatta Organizers**

- Support and promote the SAYRA Junior Code of Ethics.
- Recognize the junior sailing events are intended to be fun, educational, and user-friendly events.
- Encourage adherence to the racing rules.
- Establish and enforce guidelines for spectator boats.
- Provide ways of recognizing the accomplishments of many junior sailors, not just the winners.
- Understand that alcohol and illegal drugs have no place at a junior sailing event.
- Establish, publicize, and carry out consequences for unethical behavior.