

# Atlanta Yacht Club Activity Guidelines

*Last Updated June 1, 2020*

The Atlanta Yacht Club Board of Governors has approved the following activity guidelines for a phased reopening. These guidelines incorporate current recommendations from the Center for Disease Control (CDC), the Georgia Department of Public Health, and US Sailing.

The phased reopening will first focus on sailing activities, moving towards the restoration of social activities. The club is open and available for use at your own risk.

## **General.**

- If you feel sick or have been in contact with anyone who is sick, do not come to the club for 14 days post recovery/contact. Consider getting tested for COVID-19.
- While at the club maintain social distancing guidelines and avoid large gatherings of people in any given location.
- It is recommended a mask or cloth face covering be worn when a six-foot distance cannot be maintained.
- If you are diagnosed with COVID-19 and recently on club grounds, contact the Georgia Department of Public Health and follow their protocols. Inform AYC Health and Safety Officer Anna Lee Cahill, [bradleyannalee@gmail.com](mailto:bradleyannalee@gmail.com). All information is confidential.

**Club-owned Boats and Equipment.** Club-owned boats are available for members' use for approved activities at your own risk. When using club-owned boats, you are required to clean and sanitize the boat and all appropriate equipment before and after usage. The key to adequate cleaning is to sanitize all areas commonly touched. Use the following steps to properly sanitize boats and equipment:

- Read all instructions on the cleaning/disinfectant solution, as the "kill time" for viruses and bacteria varies significantly.
- Sailboats - wipe down seats, cleats, centerboard, paddles, rigging, spars, masts, tillers, and rudders.
- Motorboats - wipe down seats, cleats, handrails, console, steering wheel, boat key, and key storage box.
- Race committee equipment - each safety boat operator must wipe down items used from the equipment box prior to returning the equipment box to the equipment shed.
- All equipment boxes, as well as equipment used during the race (marks, flags, anchors, Ollie, radios, etc.) must be wiped down once returned to the equipment shed or clubhouse closet.
- If you used a club life jacket/personal flotation device, you must disinfectant it prior to returning.
- Only one person is permitted in the equipment shed at a time. The last person out must wipe down the handle to the equipment shed.



**Club-owned Facilities.** The kitchen and ice machine remain closed. Do not use any dishes/glasses/cooking utensils/silverware from the kitchen, adult lounge, or beverage area.

- The clubhouse restrooms are open. While cleaned regularly, they should not be considered as sanitized facilities.

**Fleet Racing.** Beginning Saturday, June 6, we will resume 2 p.m. fleet racing. In addition to Thistles, Y-Flyers, and Snipes, starts will be offered to Optis, Lasers, and 420s.

Safety remains our top priority. Sailors, as well as race committee members, should be conservative in decision-making and are expected to comply with social distancing guidelines.

- **Race Committee.** If you are not comfortable serving in an assigned race committee role, do not participate. If practical, only people who shelter together serve on the same mark boat or on the race committee barge.

If you are assigned and will not participate, inform your PRO in advance so that other arrangements can be made.

- **Race Management.** Club Fleet Sailing Instructions, 2020 Sailing Season will be used for race management, however, PROs are authorized to employ practices they deem appropriate depending on conditions, participants, and race committee capabilities. Race management changes will be communicated to participants. Examples:
  - Manage racing from a mark boat.
  - Using Appendix U Audible-Signal Racing System (i.e., sounds only, no flags)
  - Utilize Hippity Hops instead of inflatable marks.
- **Sailors.** If practical, only people who shelter together should sail on the same boat.

**Club Sponsored Social Activities.** The Board of Governors continues to assess the guidance from government and health officials and are working to define the applicable criteria required to reinstate club social activities as soon as practical. Condition changes will be communicated via the AYC Weekly Update email.

