

# Sculling and Sailing Etiquette at Union Reservoir

Union Sailing Club



Longmont  
Sculling Club 

- 1) General Water Navigation
  - a. Scullers technically must yield to sailboats. This might be challenging due to:
    - i. Scullers face backwards and might not see sailboats – give a shout of warning if possible
    - ii. In rough conditions, sculling boats are not as maneuverable as sail boats.
  - b. Passing boats must yield to boat being passed
  - c. Crossing paths – boats should cross to the stern of the boat (behind), do not speed up to try to pass in front.
  - d. Rules are in place for marine navigation, but use common sense and courtesy to avoid collisions at all costs
- 2) Avoidance
  - a. Scullers and sailors aren't likely to often be on the water together as scullers generally do not like wind, and sailors do.
  - b. It would be nice if sailors tried generally to avoid sculler's typical routes along the perimeter of the lake.
    - i. Scullers typically will travel in straight lines with gradual turns at corners
  - c. It would be nice if scullers tried to generally avoid sailor's typical "routes" in the middle of the lake.
  - d. Scullers will generally all go the same direction, either clockwise or counterclockwise on any given day.
- 3) Docks: When sculling shells are on the water, sailors should not use the sculling docks unless particularly convenient and necessary.
  - a. Do not leave sailboats unattended at the sculling dock.
  - b. Scullers should remove the oars and equipment from the dock as soon as possible after landing to share the dock resource.