



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS FOR OPEN MEETINGS

1.0 RULES

Racing will take place under the Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028 (RRS), the prescriptions of the RYA, the appropriate class rules and these sailing instructions. Starting times for races and changes to instructions will be posted near the plan of the lake, in or adjacent to the clubhouse.

2.0 CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

2.1 General

All boats must be insured against Third Part risks for a minimum of £2,000,000. Competitors will be asked for a declaration to this effect, otherwise they will not be allowed to sail.

2.2 Personal Buoyancy

Competitors must wear adequate personal buoyancy at all times when on the water. Neither a wet-suit nor a dry-suit constitutes adequate personal buoyancy.

3.0 COURSE

3.1 The course will be displayed on the club house, using the club marks numbered 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7. The marks are laid clockwise around the lake, the mark in front of the clubhouse being No. 7. Temporary marks may be used at the discretion of the Race Committee.

4.0 STARTS

4.1 Starting Line

This will be either: -

- 4.1.1 A line defined by portable transits on shore to an outer distance mark,
- 4.1.2 A line defined by the mast of the committee boat to an outer distance mark.

4.2 Limit Marks

The length of the starting line may be limited by marks at both ends. In the case of a committee boat start, any part of any boat that sails in the triangle created by the inner limit mark and the extremities of the committee boat after the first warning signal may be disqualified. The prohibited area does not rank as an obstruction when approaching the line to start.

4.3 Starting Procedure

The starting procedure will be in accordance with RRS 26. (5,4,1,0). When starts are required for more than one class the procedure will be described at the event briefing.

5.0 FINISHING

5.1 This will be the line between the first mark of the course and the mast of the committee boat suitably positioned or, in the event of a course being shortened; a race may be finished at any mark of the course.

5.2 Shortened Course

The race may be terminated at any mark of the course and will be signaled by the flying of Flag “S”, accompanied by two sound signals.

5.3 Time limit

Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5

5.4 Declarations

Declarations must be signed within 15 minutes of finishing.

6.0 PROTESTS

The intention to lodge a protest must be notified to the Race Committee within 15 minutes of completing the race.

7.0 PENALTIES

Scoring penalties (RRS Rule 44.3) will not apply.

8.0 SCORING

The RRS low point system shall apply. If more than 2 races are sailed a boats series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. RRS Rule A8 applies. (Series ties).

9.0 OTHER DETAILS

9.1 Any change in these sailing instructions made by the Race Committee will be displayed at least 10 minutes before the warning signal.

9.2 There are islands in the lake and one shallows indicated by marker buoys. These shall be considered to be a continuous obstruction.
