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DOVEY YACHT CLUB / CLWB HWYLIO DYFI

Noble Marine Allen RS300 National Championship 2023
Wednesday 6th to Sunday 10th September 2023
Hosted by Dovey Yacht Club

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

This event will be organised by Dovey Yacht Club in conjunction with the RS Class Association.

The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the sailing instructions (SIs) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Racing rules Race Signals AP, 31, 33, 34, 35, 44.1, 60.1(a), 60.1(b), 61.3, 62.1(a), 62.2, A2 A5.1 and A5.2 will be changed. The changes appear, in full, in the notice of race or in these sailing instructions.

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1000hrs on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000hrs on the day before it will take effect.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the Look-out of Dovey Yacht Club.

4 CODE OF CONDUCT

[DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the Dovey Yacht Club flagstaff.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in Race Signals AP. This changes race signals AP.
- 5.3 A green flag will be displayed from the DYC Flagstaff with one sound signal when boats are allowed on the water. No boat should leave until this signal is made. The warning signal will not be made before the scheduled time or less than 60 minutes after flag D is displayed (if Race Area A is used or 15 minutes if Race Area B is used).

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1 See NoR 9 for schedule.
- 6.2 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound signal at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 6.3 A fourth race may be run on any day at the discretion of the Race Committee. To indicate this intention the finish boat will display flag Numeral 4 at the end of the third race that day.

7 CLASS FLAG

RS300 light blue flag.

8 RACING AREA

- 8.1 Race Area A is Offshore, Race area B is inside the Bar. See Addendum Two.

9 COURSES on Race Area A (Courses on Race Area B will be given at a briefing on shore)

- 9.1 The diagrams in Addendum One show the course, including the course signals, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 9.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee boat shall display:
 - (a) The number of laps
And may display:
 - (b) The approximate compass bearing to the windward mark of the first leg.

10 MARKS

- 10.1 Marks 1, 2, 3 and 4 will be blue cylindrical inflatable buoys. The start and finish marks will be round orange marks with a flagpole and orange flag.
- 10.2 Hitting a mark other than the start or finish marks will not be penalised. This changes RRS 31.

11 CAUTION WHEN PROCEEDING OFF-SHORE AND RETURNING ASHORE.

Follow the marked channel or as directed any safety boats, as there are shallow sand banks and the bar could be breaking.

12 THE START

- 12.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starting mark at the starboard end and the course side of the port end starting mark.
- 12.2 A boat that does not start within 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.
- 12.3 Races will not be started unless the Race Officer is satisfied that the wind strength over the whole course is more than 4 knots.

13 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 13.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position in line with RRS.
- 13.2 Minor movements of a mark position (up to 150 meters or 5 degrees) may be made without signalling the change. This changes RRS 33.

14 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the committee boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end finishing mark.

15 PENALTY SYSTEM

See NoR 14.

16 TIME LIMITS

- 16.1 The target race time is 45 minutes.
- 16.2 Boats failing to finish within a 20 minute finishing window after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A5.1 and A5.2.
- 16.3 In addition to RRS 32, the race committee may also award a finishing score to a boat that is still racing by displaying to her from a committee vessel (which may be in motion) flag W with one sound signal. A boat so notified is no longer required to sail the course, shall stop racing and shall return to the starting area, or return ashore if there is no more racing. A finishing score under this sailing instruction will be the score she would have received had she sailed the course and finished within any time limit, without gaining or losing any place. However, when two or more boats that are overlapped are notified, they will be scored as if they were tied. The decision by the race committee to use this procedure or not to use it shall not be grounds for requesting redress. This changes rules 60.1(b) and 62.1(a).
- 16.4 If no boat has passed mark one within 30 minutes the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will be no grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a)

17 HEARING REQUESTS

- 17.1 The protest time limit is 120 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is the later. This changes RRS 61.3 and 62.2.
- 17.2 Hearing Request forms are available at the race office.
- 17.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
- 17.4 The hearings may be heard via video call (Zoom) unless otherwise advised or scheduled by the protest committee. All links will be sent via email if required.

18 SCORING

As per NoR 15.

19 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 19.1 All competitors shall wear a personal flotation device at all times whilst afloat. RRS 4 applies.
- 19.2 A boat that retires from a race MUST notify the race committee as soon as possible before returning ashore.

19.3 Competitors must use the tally system as described on the notice board.

20 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

20.1 [DP] [NP] Substitution of competitors is not allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.

21 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

[NP] A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, notice of race and sailing instructions.

22 SUPPLIED BOATS

Does not apply.

23 OFFICIAL VESSELS

There will be a minimum of three safety boats on the course along with the Committee Boat.

24 [DP] [NP] SUPPORT TEAMS

Does not apply.

25 TRASH DISPOSAL

Trash may be placed aboard official vessels.

26 BERTHING

[DP] [NP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the dinghy park.

27 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Does not apply.

28 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Does not apply.

29 PRIZES

As per NoR 24.

24 RISK STATEMENT

As per NoR 22.

25 INSURANCE

As per NoR 23.

ADDENDUM A – Courses

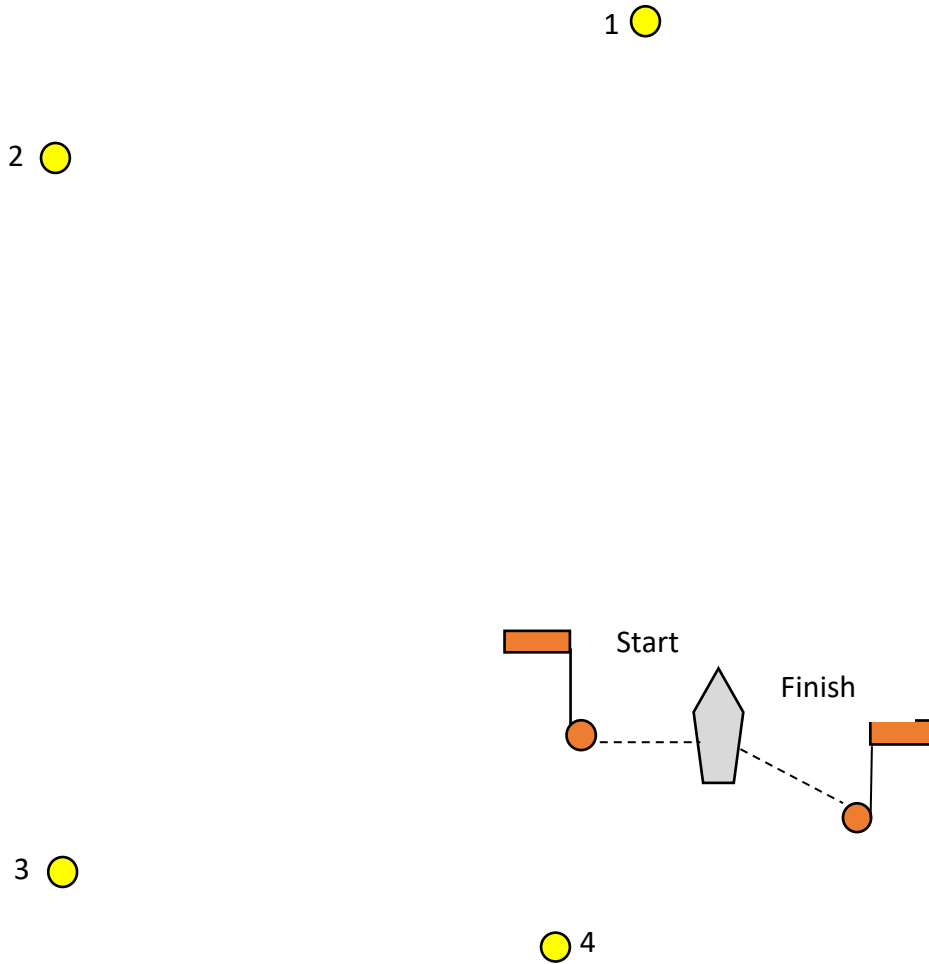
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2 laps Start, 1, 2, 3, 4, 1, 2, 3, 4, Finish

3 laps Start, 1, 2, 3, 4, 1, 2, 3, 4, 1, 2, 3, 4, Finish

4 laps Start, 1, 2, 3, 4, 1, 2, 3, 4, 1, 2, 3, 4, 1, 2, 3, 4, Finish

All marks to be left to port.



ADDENDUM B – Race Areas

