

# Locks Sailing Club Regatta 2018

June 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> 2018

## Langstone Harbour, Portsmouth

### SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

#### 1 RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017 - 2020, the Prescriptions of the RYA and these Sailing Instructions.

#### 2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board at Locks SC.

#### 3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted at least 1 hour before the scheduled time of the first warning signal on the day it will take effect.

#### 4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the main flagpoles of Locks sailing club.

4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP.

#### 5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 Racing will take place on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> June. There will be up to 3 races per fleet on Saturday on a committee boat start and one race on Sunday from the Locks SC HW line. There will be two fleets with fleets starting at 5-minute intervals.

5.2 The first warning signal will be at 12.55 Saturday & 14.40 Sunday

#### 6 WARNING FLAGS & HANDICAP SYSTEMS

6.1 The Portsmouth Yardstick Scheme (YR2) will be used. Deviations on PY Numbers should be agreed with the Race Committee.

6.2 Warning flags will be:

Fleet	Warning Flag	PY Band	Race 1 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Race 2 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Race 3 - 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Race 4 17 <sup>th</sup> June
Fast		1026 and below	12.55	ASAP after finish of Race 1	ASAP after finish of Race 2	14.40
Medium		1027 and above	13.00	ASAP after finish of Race 1	ASAP after finish of Race 2	14.45

#### 7 COURSES

7.2 The courses are described in **Attachment A**.

7.3 For each fleet, the number of laps will be :

7.4 Fast Fleet Course 3 laps

7.5 Medium Fleet Course 3 laps

7.6 For all courses, boats must pass through the Finish **LINE** (see Instruction 11) at the end of each lap.

#### 8 MARKS

8.2 Marks will be orange inflatables.

8.3 See attachment A for a description of the different marks.

#### 9 COMMITTEE BOAT & START LINE

9.2 The committee boat will be the Yacht Cruella — situated south of Salterns Navigation Bouy

9.3 The Start **LINE** is between the mainmast of the Committee Boat and a White ( laid ) Outer Distance Mark (ODM).

#### 10 THE START

10.2 Races will be started using a **5 minute** sequence.

- 10.3 To alert boats that a sequence of starts is about to begin, an orange flag will be displayed with multiple sound signals (5 or more) at least one minute before the first warning signal.
- 10.4 The starting line will be the LINE defined in Instruction 9.
- 10.5 **Inner Distance Mark.** When a buoy is laid near the committee boat it is a starting limit mark that shall be left to starboard when starting.
- 10.6 A boat starting later than 15 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start, without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.
- 10.7 Boats whose warning signal has not yet been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequences for other races.

**11 THE FINISH**

- 11.1 The finish line will be between the Main Mast of the Committee Boat – Bruce – and an orange spherical buoy
- 11.2 The committee boat will fly a blue flag when acting as finish boat.
- 11.3 The finishing line will be the LINE defined in Instruction 9.
- 11.4 In order to manage the overall duration of a race, the Race Committee may, at their discretion, finish a boat after fewer laps than the set number. In such a case the boat’s elapsed time will be scaled upwards accordingly.

**12 TIME LIMITS** for all fleets

Races	Time Limit first boat	Mark 1 Time Limit
1 - 3	1 hours	30 minutes

*If no boat in a fleet has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit, the race for that fleet will be abandoned.*

**13 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 13.2 The Exoneration Penalty and the Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration procedures of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available. Decisions from RYA Arbitration can be referred to a protest committee but cannot be reopened or appealed. See Official Notice Board for details.
- 13.3 Protest forms are available at the race offices located at Locks SC,
- 13.4 For each fleet the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.

- 13.5 Breaches of Instructions 10.7 (avoid starting area) or 15.1 (sign on and off) will not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes Rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.

**14 SCORING**

- 14.1 The number of races required to be completed to constitute a series is one.
- 14.2 A change of helm or handicap configuration will be treated as a separate entry in the series for scoring.
- 14.3 If four are sailed then one score will be discarded. If three races or less have been sailed then there will be no discard.

**15 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 15.2 On each day of racing, boats must sign on at their respective launch site (Locks SC, Tudor SC or Langstone SC) before going afloat and must sign off within 30 minutes of returning to shore.
- 15.3 A boat retiring shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

**16 PRIZES**

- 16.2 Prizes will be awarded for the first three boats in each fleet. Prizegiving will be held at Locks SC, as soon as practicable after the end of racing on Sunday..

**17 RISK STATEMENT**

- 17.2 Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.”
- 17.3 Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:
- 17.4 They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- 17.5 They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- 17.6 They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;

- 17.7 Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- 17.8 The provision of a race management team, patrol boats, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the organiser does not relieve competitors of their own responsibilities;
- 17.9 The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.

**17.9.1 INSURANCE**

- 17.10 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000 per event or the equivalent.

**17.11 RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS**

- 17.12 By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the organising authority and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use, and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recordings, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.