



# Warsash Sailing Club



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## RS 400 Rooster & West Country Boat Repairs Southern Championship Tour & RS 200 SEAS Tour

**11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> June 2022**

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> June      HW 09:22 (BST & Portsmouth)  
Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June        HW 10:12

### ***Sailing Instructions***

#### **1 RULES**

- 1.1 Racing will take place under The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 (RRS), the prescriptions of the RYA, the Class Rules, The Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions (SIs). In the event of a conflict these SIs shall apply.
- 1.2 The Post-Race Penalty and Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures shall apply (for information on the procedures, go to [www.rya.org.uk/rulesdisputes](http://www.rya.org.uk/rulesdisputes)). The outcome of an RYA Arbitration can be referred to a protest committee, but an arbitration cannot be reopened or appealed.
- 1.3 Competitors should note that Warsash Sailing Club as the organising authority implements the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be required to undertake to sail in compliance with the Charter which can be found at [www.rya.org.uk/racing/rules/racing-charter](http://www.rya.org.uk/racing/rules/racing-charter)
- 1.4 The Racing rules of Sailing will be changed as follows:
  - 1.4.1 Rule 31 - Changed so that marks other than starting and finishing marks may be touched without penalty (RS400 only)
  - 1.4.2 Rule 33 – Changed so that changes of length of a leg or of less than 10 degrees will not be signalled.
  - 1.4.3 Rule 35 changed to score boats finishing outside the time limit in their observed positions on the course.

#### **2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the window of the River Room at Shore House.
- 2.2 There will be a competitor briefing at 10.30 on Saturday, and 09:00 on Sunday on the lawn at Shore House.

#### **3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before the briefing on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 20:00 on the day before it will take effect.

#### **4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the Shore House Flag Staff.

#### **5 SCHEDULE OF RACES**

- 5.1 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race on Saturday is 12:30 and on Sunday is 10:30.
- 5.2 At the discretion of the Race Committee up to 4 races per day may be sailed on any day in order to complete the series.
- 5.3 No start sequence will commence after 14:50 on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June except following a general recall of that race.

## **6 CLASS FLAGS**

- 6.1 RS 400 – Violet Flag with Black RS 400, or numeral pennant 4.
- 6.2 RS 200 – Class Flag for RS200 or numeral pennant 2.

## **7 RACING AREAS**

- 7.1 The Race area will be in Southampton Water up to 2 miles from Warsash Sailing Club.
- 7.2 Competitors will be escorted to and from the Race Area.

## **8 THE COURSE**

- 8.1 Appendix A shows the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark will be passed.
- 8.2 The number of laps and approximate bearing to the windward mark will be indicated from the Committee Boat.

## **9 MARKS**

- 9.1 Marks 1, 1a, 2a, 4 & 5 will be Black inflatable buoys.
- 9.2 Marks 2 & 3 will be Orange Inflatables
- 9.3 The Outer Distance Starting Mark will be a Dan Buoy flying an Orange Flag.
- 9.4 The Outer Distance Finish Mark will be a small red inflatable buoy.
- 9.5 The Race Committee may use marks of a different size/colour and the start and finish marks may both be in place at the same time.

## **10 THE START**

- 10.1 Races will be started by using Rule 26 (5, 4, 1 Go).
- 10.2 The Starting Line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on the Committee Boat and the port-end Start Mark will be either staff displaying an orange flag or a red Inflatable buoy.
- 10.3 When a limit mark is laid near the Committee Boat it is a starting limit mark that shall be left to starboard when starting. A boat that, in the last minute before the start, crosses the line formed by the limit mark and staff displaying the orange flag may exonerate herself by rounding the Committee Boat and restarting correctly. Other starting penalties will also apply.
- 10.4 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes RRS A4 & A5.

## **11 MINIMUM WIND STRENGTH**

- 11.1 Races will not be started unless the Race Officer is satisfied that the wind strength over the whole course is more than an average of four knots.

## **12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

- 12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the Race Committee will move the original Mark (or the Finishing Line) to a new position.
- 12.2 When Flag 'F' is displayed with repeated sound signals at the leeward Marks 4 or 6, boats shall round the mark and proceed directly to the Finish.
- 12.3 When Flag 'F' is displayed with repeated sound signals at the leeward Mark 3, boats shall round the mark and proceed to the Finish leaving Mark 4 to port.

## **13 THE FINISH**

- 13.1 The Finishing Line will be between the staff displaying a blue flag on the Committee boat and the finish mark.

## **14 TIME LIMITS**

- 14.1 The intended duration of each race is 45 minutes.
- 14.2 To expedite the series, and at the Race Committee's discretion, boats failing to finish within 10 or more minutes of the first boat may be awarded points according to their observed position on the course. The display of Flag 'W' with 5 sound signals will indicate that this SI applies. This changes Rule A.4.

## **15 COMMITTEE BOAT IDENTIFICATION**

- 15.1 The Committee Boat will be advised at the briefing and will display a Warsash Committee Flag.

## **16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 16.1 A boat that intends to protest shall inform the Committee Boat immediately after finishing the race in which the incident occurred.
- 16.2 Protest forms are available at the Race Office. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
- 16.3 The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the last boat returns ashore.
- 16.4 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held at the earliest opportunity.
- 16.5 The Exoneration Penalty shall be 30% of the entries for the event, rounded to the next whole number with a minimum of 4 places.

## **17 SCORING**

- 17.1 Points will be accrued to the helm/crew team named on the entry form and not to the boat entered.
- 17.2 2 races are required to be completed to constitute a series. Discards are as follows:
- a. When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a competitor's series score will be the total of her race scores.
  - b. When from 4 to 6 races have been completed, a competitor's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## **18 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 18.1 Boats shall 'tally out' immediately before launching and 'tally in' immediately on returning ashore. Failure to comply with this SI will result in a 5-point penalty in the race closest to the infringement, other boats will not be rescored. A boat will not be scored worse than a disqualified boat because of this penalty. This changes RRS 63.1.
- 18.2 The Tally Board will be located adjacent to the Shore House Club House. Individual Tally Numbers will be issued at registration. The Tally board will close 15 minutes after the last boat returns ashore.
- 18.3 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible and shall not leave the Race Area without the permission of the Race Committee.
- 18.4 Where the race committee considers that a boat or competitor is in difficulty it may instruct the boat or competitor to accept outside help, retire or sail ashore.
- 18.5 In accordance with RRS 43.1 and WS case 89, no clothing or equipment may be worn on the body of helm or crew to carry liquid of any description, even if for re-hydration; this includes camelbacks, water bottles and cans of drink.
- 18.6 Boats shall carry a floating tow line of at least 8mm in diameter and 10 metres in length. This line must be accessible without breaching the integral buoyancy of the dinghy and must not have any attachments such as shackles or knots.

## **19 CREWS AND CHANGES**

- 19.1 For the series of races comprising an event only the helm and crew team named on the entry form will be eligible. If different helm or crew named on the entry form completes a race in the same boat they will be considered a separate entry and their results cannot be combined with another helm's results. However, the registered helm and crew may swap roles without restriction.
- 19.2 Crews may only be changed during a series of races comprising an event from the person named on the entry form with the written permission in advance from the Race Committee or Class Representative. If it is known at the start of the event that there will be a change crew during the event then both crews should be registered on entry form along with which day(s) they will be sailing.
- 19.3 Where event results are combined to form a circuit then only the results scored by the same helm or helm or crew team will count, results from the different helm shall not be combined, even when helming the same boat.

## **20 DISTINGUISHING NUMBERS**

- 20.1 Under exceptional circumstances, The Race Committee may permit a boat to use sails carrying a distinguishing number other than that required by RRS 77 and RRS Appendix G. Such permission is only valid if sought in writing before use.

## **21 ADVERTISING**

21.1 Boats shall display advertising supplied by the organising authority as specified in the NOR.

## **22 TRASH DISPOSAL**

22.1 Boats shall not drop trash in the dinghy park.

## **23 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

23.1 Each boat shall be in possession of a valid measurement certificate and may be asked to produce it at any stage. There will be no formal measurement but the Race Committee reserves the right to measure/inspect any boat or equipment at any time for compliance with the Class Rules.

## **24 SUPPORT BOATS AND INSTRUCTION**

24.1 Support Boats are only allowed with the prior approval of Warsash Sailing Club and drivers may be asked to show competence in driving such a boat of at least RYA PB2. Support Boats if allowed shall have VHF radio communication with Warsash Sailing Club and the Committee Boat and shall be identified at registration.

24.2 Unless agreed or instructed by the Race Committee, team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside area where boats are racing from the time of a preparatory signal until all boats have finished or the Race Committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

## **25 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

25.1 A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

## **26 PRIZES**

26.1 The event Prize Giving will be held as soon as possible after racing on the final day.

## **27 RISK STATEMENT**

27.1 Rule 4 of the RRS states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or continue to race is there 's alone" and that sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- a. 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;
- b. They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- c. They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- d. Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- e. The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- f. The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can practically be provided in the circumstances;
- g. Personal buoyancy shall be worn by all competitors whilst afloat;
- h. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000.

## **28 RIGHTS TO USE NAMES AND NUMBERS**

28.1 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 recording, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their departure, without compensation.

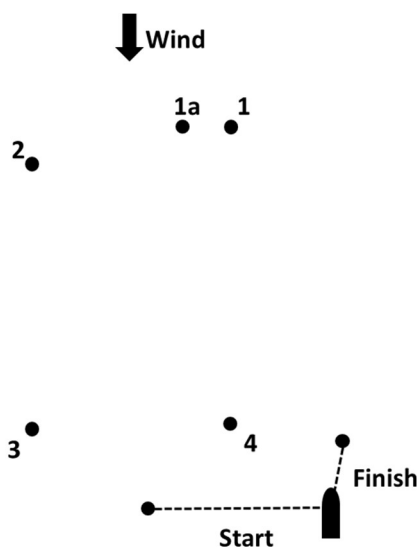
## Appendix A - Courses

### A.1 General

- A.1.1 The class, course and number of laps will be displayed on the Race Control boat using courses from SIs A2 and A3.
- A.1.2 The Course diagrams show the approximate layout of the marks and is not to scale.
- A.1.3 All marks are to be rounded to port.
- A.1.4 Marks that are not being used may not be laid.
- A.1.5 Marks 3, 4 and 5 may be single buoys or a Gate. If 2 buoys are laid to form a Gate, boats shall pass between the 2 buoys that are the marks of the Gate from the direction of the previous mark, rounding either one.
- A.1.6 On course WL boats shall not sail downwind through the finish line when the finish mark is laid.

### A.2 Course – Trapezoid

IL2: Start 1, 1a, 4, 1, 1a, 4, Finish	OL2: Start, 1, 2, 3, 2, 3, 4, Finish
IL3: Start 1, 1a, 4, 1, 1a, 4, 1, 1a, 4, Finish	OL3: Start, 1, 2, 3, 2, 3, 2, 3, 4, Finish
IL4: Start 1, 1a, 4, 1, 1a, 4, 1, 1a, 4, 1, 1a, 4, Finish	OL4: Start, 1, 2, 3, 2, 3, 2, 3, 2, 3, 2, 3, 4, Finish



### A.3 Course – Windward/Leeward

<u>RS200</u>	<u>RS400</u>
WL2: Start 2, 2a, 5, 2, 2a, 5, Finish	WL2: Start 1, 1a, 5, 1, 1a, 5, Finish
WL3: Start 2, 2a, 5, 2, 2a, 5, 2, 2a, 5, Finish	WL3: Start 1, 1a, 5, 1, 1a, 5, 1, 1a, 5, Finish
WL4: Start 2, 2a, 5, 2, 2a, 5, 2, 2a, 5, 2, 2a, 5, Finish	WL4: Start 1, 1a, 5, 1, 1a, 5, 1, 1a, 5, 1, 1a, 5, Finish

