

Felpham SC Interclub Youth Open Meeting 2016

Friday, August 26th

Organizing Authority: Felpham SC (FSC)

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Rules

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (2013-2016). In the event of a clash between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions these Sailing Instructions shall take precedence.
- 1.2. The Exoneration Penalty, Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available at this event.
- 1.3. Racing Rules 40, 41 and 61.1 will be changed as follows:
 - 1.3a. RRS 40 will apply at all times whilst afloat but flag Y will not be displayed.
 - 1.3b. When a competitor is seen by a Patrol Boat crew to be significantly astern of the bulk of the fleet, a Patrol Boat crew may offer advice to enable the competitor to overcome a manifest problem or improve their sailing performance at the time. However, when the boat may have gained an unfair advantage as a result of such help, the race or protest committee may protest her or a competitor may request redress.
 - 1.3c. RRS 61.1 is changed so that competitors wishing to protest must make such a protest on the water and inform a safety or support vessel which shall relay this message to the Race Committee

2. Notices to Competitors

- 2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located next to the registration desk in the clubhouse

3. Changes to Sailing Instructions

- 3.1. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 09:45.

4. Signals Made Ashore

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed at the club mast
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 20 minutes' in the race signal AP.
- 4.3. All boats shall remain on shore until signalled to launch by the Beach Master

5. Schedule of Races

- 5.1. Dates of racing: August 26th
- 5.2. Number of races: 4
- 5.3. The scheduled time of the warning signal for **Race 1** is 10:55. The scheduled time for the warning signal for **Race 3** is 14:25
- 5.4. **Races 2 and 4** will be sailed as soon as is practicable after the completion of the preceding race.
- 5.5. To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag may be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 5.6. No warning signal will be made after 1630.

6. Class Flags

- 6.1. Class flag will be ICF 'T'.

7. Racing Areas

- 7.1. The racing area shall be off Felpham beach and detailed fully in the sailors briefing

8. The Courses

- 8.1. The diagram in Attachment A displays the course configurations.
- 8.2. The committee boat will display the course for the race no later than the warning signal on a board at its stern
- 8.3. For the benefit of competitors, a RIB may be on station at the beginning of the race which will lead the fleet around the course for the first lap of that race

9. Marks

- 9.1. Marks of the course will be orange cylindrical marks.
- 9.2. The pin-end mark will be a yellow 'pole' mark.

10. The Start

- 10.1. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Committee Boat at the starboard end and an end mark. An inner mark may be laid but will not necessarily lie on the starting line.
- 10.2. A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes rule A4.

11. The Finish

- 11.1. The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Committee Boat to starboard and a finishing mark to port.
- 11.2. A blue flag shall not be displayed to indicate that the committee boat is on station at the finish. This changes race signals Blue flag.

12. Time Limits and Target Times

- 12.1. The time limit and target times shall be 45 minutes and 30 minutes respectively
- 12.2. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1 (a).
- 12.3. **Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes** will have their scores calculated on an 'average lap' basis, based on their times for previous lap roundings. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

13. Protests and Requests for Redress

- 13.1. Protest forms are available from the registration desk. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 13.2. The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the last boat has returned to the beach or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 13.3. 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. Hearings will be held in the protest room, the location of which will be detailed on the official notice board.

- 13.4. Breaches of instructions 10.2 and 16 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1 (a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.

14. Scoring

The scoring system is as follows:

- 14.1. 1 race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 14.2. When 3 or fewer races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 14.3. When 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

15. Safety Regulations

- 15.1. Check-Out and Check-In:
Boats shall be required to sign on and off the water on a sign-on-sign-off sheet located by the official notice board
- 15.2. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

16. Replacement of Crew or Equipment

- 16.1. Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the Organizing Authority.
- 16.2. Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will be permitted so long as the Race Committee is informed of any changes to sail numbers and this designation remains unique.

17. Support Boats

- 17.1. Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment

18. Trash Disposal

- 18.1. Trash may be placed aboard support or official boats.

19. Radio Communication

- 19.1. Except in an emergency, 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.

20. Prizes

Prizes will be given as follows:

- 20.1. The first, second and third boats with the lowest accumulated series score after discard
- 20.2. Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organising authority