



Penzance Sailing Club Regatta

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Dinghy Sailing Instructions

1. Rules

1.1 Racing is governed by the rules as defined in the current ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of the RYA, any appropriate class rules and these Sailing Instructions. In the event of a conflict between documents, these Sailing Instructions shall prevail.

2. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board at Penzance Sailing Club Clubhouse.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted at least 60 minutes before the scheduled warning signal of the first race to which it applies. Flag L will be flown to signify any changes.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the Penzance Sailing Club Clubhouse flagpole.

4.2 When flag "AP" is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 30 minutes" for the race signal "AP". This changes the meaning of Race Signal "AP".

4.3 When IC flag "U" is displayed ashore, no boat shall leave the launch area until the flag is removed. If a boat has already launched she shall return to the launching area as soon as possible. Failure to do so may lead to disqualification from any subsequent race(s) without a hearing.

5. Schedule of races

5.1. Two races shall be sailed back to back. The warning signal for the first race will not be made before 1255.

6. Race Signals

6.1. The start line will be between an orange flag on the committee boat and Mark 3.

6.2. The starting sequence will be in accordance with RRS26, 5-4-1-start.

6.3. The course will be triangles

6.4. Each race will be approximately an hour long. Number of laps may not be displayed.

7. Starting

7.1. All boats will start together, using Flag H as the class flag.

8. Changes to the Course

8.1. Marks may be moved after the start, without warning, to maintain a good course. This alters RRS 33.

9. Finishing

9.1. The finish line will be between the blue flag on the committee boat (or a boat acting on their behalf) and a mark of the course (generally the leeward mark)

10. Protests

10.1. The intention to lodge a protest or request for redress shall be reported to the committee boat before leaving the race area.

10.2 Protest forms will be available from the race office and must be complete within 45 minutes of the last boat finishing.

11. Scoring

11.1 A boats overall score shall be the total of her race scores, in the event of a tie, the final race of the day will take precedence.

12. Safety Regulations

12.1. A boat retiring from racing shall let a safety boat, or the committee boat, know before heading ashore

12.2. A buoyancy aid will be worn at all times while afloat.

13. Risk Statement

Rule 3 of The Racing Rules of Sailing states “the responsibility for a boats decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone”

By entering this event, each competitor acknowledges that;

- There is an element of risk involved, to them, their crew and boat. And therefore that they are responsible.
- That their boat is in a seaworthy condition
- That they are adequately insured, with cover of at least £3million against third party claims.