

**BRAY SAILING CLUB**  
**Junior Regatta**  
**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> August 2021**  
**All Dinghies**

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

**1 RULES**

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, the prescriptions of Irish Sailing, the Notice of Race, and these Sailing Instructions.

**2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located on the terrace of BSC clubhouse.

**3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1300 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

**4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

**4.1** Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole above the entrance to Bray 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.

**4.3** When flag R (with 2 sound signals) is displayed ashore, boats will not go afloat. The first warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after this signal is removed (with 1 sound signal). This changes Race Signals.

**5 SCHEDULE OF RACES**

**5.1** Up to 4 races are scheduled. The warning signal for the first race will be at 1500 on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> August 2021.

**5.2** When more than one race is held on the same day, the warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable. To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the Race Committee may make repeated sound signals.

**6 CLASS FLAGS**

Class flags will be defined in a Notice to Competitors.

**7 RACING AREAS**

The racing area will be to the east of Bray Harbour.

**8 THE COURSES**

**8.1** The diagrams in Addendum A show the courses and course flags, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

**8.2** No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat may display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

**8.3** **Except when finishing, a boat shall not sail through the finishing line when the blue flag is displayed.**

**9 MARKS**

**9.1** The colour and size or shape of all race marks including finishing buoys will be defined in a Notice to Competitors.

**9.2** A race committee boat signalling a change of a leg of the course is a mark as provided in instruction 11.2.

## **10 THE START**

- 10.1** Races will be started by using rule 26. The starting signal for each class will be the warning signal for the next class.
- 10.2** The starting line will be between the main mast of the committee boat and the starting mark as defined in a Notice to Competitors.
- 10.3** Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.
- 10.4** A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes rule A4.

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

- 11.1** To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- 11.2** Boats shall pass between the race committee boat signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard. This changes rule 28.1.

## **12 THE FINISH**

The finishing line will be between the main mast of a committee boat displaying a blue flag and the finishing mark as defined in a Notice to Competitors.

## **13 SHORTENING COURSE**

- 13.1** The course may be shortened at any rounding mark. Rule 32 will apply.
- 13.2** An alternative procedure may be used. When Code Flags 'S' and 'C' are displayed at a mark competitors shall round the mark leaving it on its required side then sail directly to the finishing line. SI 11.2 will apply

## **14 TIME LIMITS**

- 14.1** Time limits for all classes will be 45 minutes after the starting signal
- 14.2** Boats failing to finish within 10 minutes after the second boat in their class sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes rules 35 and A4.

## **15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 15.1** Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
- 15.2** The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day. The same time limit applies to protests by the race committee and protest committee about incidents they observe in the racing area and to requests for redress. This changes rules 61.3 and 62.2.
- 15.3** 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 as soon as possible in the jury room, located in or outside the BSC Clubhouse.
- 15.4** Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 15.5** Breaches of instructions 4.3, 8.3, 10.3, 17, 18, 19.2, 22, and 23 will not be grounds for a 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.
- 15.6** On the last day of the regatta a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered
  - (a) within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day;
  - (b) no later than 30 minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day.This changes rule 66.
- 15.7** Protests and requests for redress may be heard by arbitration. Appendix T of the Racing Rules of Sailing will apply (see Addendum B of these Sailing Instructions).

## **16 SCORING**

- 16.1** 2 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 16.2** When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

## **17 SAIL NUMBERS**

- 17.1** All boats shall compete using the sail numbers declared at registration for the series. Changes of sail numbers

will not be allowed unless approved by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

- 17.2** Should two or more boats use the same sail number they will each (or all) receive the score of the last boat using this sail number to finish.

## **18 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 18.1** Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices at all times on the water, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wet suits and dry suits are not personal flotation devices. This changes rule 40.
- 18.2** Not used for this event.
- 18.3** A boat shall not be eligible to race unless she is in compliance with the safety regulations laid down by her class.
- 18.4** All dinghies must carry a suitable towing line at least 5 metres long. The towing line shall not be any part of the normal standing or running rigging.
- 18.5** Boats shall keep clear of safety boats.
- 18.6** The priority of safety boats is the safety of competitors and Bray Sailing Club cannot accept any responsibility for damage to boats or equipment. In order to fulfil their duties, Safety crew or the Race Committee may instruct a boat to be taken in tow or abandoned.
- 18.7** A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Officer as soon as possible.

## **19 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

- 19.1** Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.
- 19.2** Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

## **20 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions.

## **21 SUPPORT BOATS**

Team leaders, coaches, other support personnel and spectators 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 the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

## **22 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

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.

## **23 PRIZES**

Prizes will be given as follows: 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> in a class of fewer than 6 boats and 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, & 3<sup>rd</sup> for a class of 6 boats or more.

## **24 RISK STATEMENT**

30.1 Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or continue racing is hers alone."

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 omission;
- (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 organisers 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 be practically provided in the circumstances;
- (g) The fact that race officials may conduct inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor.


**25 INSURANCE**


Each participating boat shall be insured with adequate valid third-party liability insurance.

**26 BRAY SC MEMBERSHIP**

All competitors, members of the Race Committee and safety boat crew are deemed to be members of Bray Sailing Club for the duration of the Championship. As such they are expected to observe the rules of the Club.

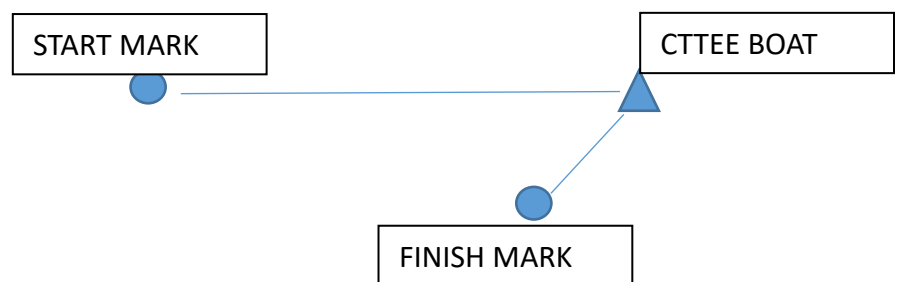
## ADDENDUM A - COURSES

 Mark 1 (long course)

 Mark 1 (short course)

 Mark 2

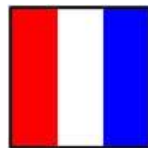
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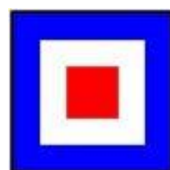
### Courses:

**All marks to be left to port**

**Triangle - Windward/Leeward – Course Flag T**  
Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 3 - Finish



**Windward/Leeward x 2 – Course Flag W**  
Start – 1 - 3 – 1 – 3 - Finish



## **ADDENDUM B**

### **T1. POST-RACE PENALTIES**

1. Provided that rule 44.1(b) does not apply, a boat that may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident may take a Post-Race Penalty at any time after the race until the beginning of a protest hearing involving the incident.
2. A Post-Race Penalty is a 30% Scoring Penalty calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c). However, rule 44.1(a) applies.
3. A boat takes a Post-Race Penalty by delivering to the arbitrator or a member of the protest committee a written statement that she accepts the penalty and that identifies the race number and where and when the incident occurred.

### **T2. ARBITRATION MEETING**

An arbitration meeting will be held prior to a protest hearing for each incident resulting in a *protest* by a boat involving one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31, but only if each party is represented by a person who was on board at the time of the incident. No witnesses will be permitted. However, if the arbitrator decides that rule 44.1(b) may apply or that arbitration is not appropriate, the meeting will not be held, and if a meeting is in progress, it will be closed.

### **T3. ARBITRATOR'S OPINION**

Based on the evidence given by the representatives, the arbitrator will offer an opinion as to what the protest committee is likely to decide:

1. the *protest* is invalid,
2. no boat will be penalized for breaking a rule, or
3. one or more boats will be penalized for breaking a rule, identifying the boats and the penalties.

### **T4. ARBITRATION MEETING OUTCOMES**

After the arbitrator offers an opinion,

1. a boat may take a Post-Race Penalty, and
2. a boat may ask to withdraw her *protest*. The arbitrator may then act on behalf of the protest committee in accordance with rule 63.1 to allow the withdrawal.

Unless all *protests* involving the incident are withdrawn, a protest hearing will be held.

# BRAY SAILING CLUB

## Junior Regatta

### Briefing notes

**These briefing notes are advisory only and do not constitute a notice to competitors.**

#### **Sailing Instructions**

Please read the Sailing Instructions carefully. In particular, please ensure that you have understood the courses, the start and finishing lines and the procedures for shortening course. Please do not hesitate to ask questions at the briefing. The Race Committee will apply the Sailing Instructions and the Rules as written. Please keep an attentive lookout for the signal flags that may be flown by the Committee Boat and other race committee boats at the start and at mark roundings. A new start will be signalled as soon as possible after a class has finished. The order of starts may vary between races, so please observe the class flags attentively.

**Do not sail through the finishing line except when finishing.** The Race Committee has a difficult enough job noting finishing times without additional complications.

Please remember that when a signal flag is flown over one or more class flags then the signal only applies to that, or those, classes. In particular the Race Officer may decide to shorten the course for only one or two classes.

The rules that govern this event are:

- the Racing Rules of Sailing, including the Definitions, Race Signals, Introduction, preambles and relevant appendices, as well as ISAF Regulations concerning eligibility, advertising and anti-doping;
- the class rules;
- the prescriptions of the ISA;
- the notice of race;
- the sailing instructions.

To keep the Sailing Instructions short every attempt has been made to avoid reproducing other rules. For instance, the SIs do not state that there will be one discard if 4 or more races are completed, because the default setting in the rules is one discard (rule A2).

**As competitors you are expected to follow and enforce the rules. A fundamental principle of sportsmanship is that when competitors break a rule they will promptly take a penalty, which may be to retire. Protests are part of the game and will be dealt with as rapidly and as amicably as possible. Arbitration will be available in appropriate cases.**

#### **Notice Board**

The Official Notice Board is a window of the Clubhouse on the balcony. Please watch the Notice Board attentively as important information regarding your regatta will be posted there. Protest hearings will be announced by Notice within 30 minutes of Protest Time Limit. The Protest Committee will not come looking for parties to any hearing.

#### **Valuables**

Competitors are asked not to leave valuables in the changing rooms. Valuables can be left in the Race Office for safekeeping.

#### **Safety**

Wetsuits and drysuits are not adequate buoyancy, a buoyancy aid or lifejacket must be worn. Safety crew always appreciate a helping hand when launching or recovering boats.

#### **Meals**

A burger BBQ will be served after sailing.

#### **Prize giving**

Prize-giving will take place outside the Clubhouse as soon as possible after sailing concludes.