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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

LASER/ILCA OPEN MEETING

Saturday 18th September 2021

(Chichester Harbour high water 10.54, 4.4m)

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 (RRS), the prescriptions of the Royal Yachting Association (RYA), class association rules, Sailing Instructions (SIs) including Course Chart, this Notice of Race (NoR) and any Amendment or Notice to Competitors. If there is any conflict with a sailing instruction, the sailing instruction shall prevail. This changes RRS 63.7.
- 1.2. The following RRS are amended in these Sailing Instructions (SIs): 63.7 (SI1.1), 27.3 (SI 5.2), Race Signals (SI 5.3), A5.1 (SIs 11.6, 17.2, 17.5 & 17.8), 33 (SI 9.3, SI 9.4), Definition of a Mark (SI 10.2), 62.1(a) (SI 11.5), 32.1 (SI 13.1), A4 (SI 13.4), 35 (SI 14.2 and SI 14.3), 41 (SI 20.2).

2. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the SIs will be posted on the BSC website at [this link](#) before 10.00 on the day it will take effect.

3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the BSC website at [this link](#) and via the BSC Laser Open Meeting WhatsApp group. Join via [this link](#).
- 3.2. The race office is located at the BSC Clubhouse.

4. CODE OF CONDUCT

- 4.1. Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.
- 4.2. Competitors and support persons must have read and understood, and then comply with, all government and RYA coronavirus guidance and additional BSC covid-19 instructions before visiting BSC or conducting any activities at the club.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1. Signals made ashore will be flown from the flagstaff on the Raptackle on Bosham Quay.
- 5.2. If the start is to be from a committee boat and the signal AP over H is flown ashore and/or the committee boat, any boats, which have not commenced their race, shall remain ashore or wait off the committee boat until the signal is lowered. This amends RRS 27.3.
- 5.3. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in RRS Race Signals AP.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race is 10.55
- 6.2. Three races are planned. This number can be changed at the discretion of the race committee.



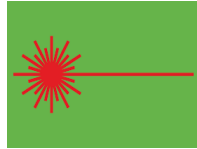
6.3. To alert boats that a race will begin soon, an orange flag will be displayed on the committee boat with one sound at least two minutes before a warning signal is displayed.

7. CLASS FLAGS

Laser Standard/ILCA 7:



Laser Radial & 4.7/ILCA 6 & 4:



8. RACING AREA

Racing will be held in Chichester Harbour. Competitors should allow time to sail to the racing area.

9. COURSES

9.1. The committee boat will be 'Glad Emma'.

9.2. The course to be sailed will be selected from 'BSC Laser Open Meeting Course Sheet', which form part of these SIs. Courses will be displayed as letters and numbers indicating the course and number of laps, no later than the preparatory signal for that fleet.

9.3. The course will not be changed after the preparatory signal unless the race is shortened. This changes RRS 33.

9.4. Marks may be moved at any time without any notice to competitors. This changes RRS 33.

10. MARKS

10.1. Marks shall be BSC orange triangular inflatable 'teabag' buoys.

10.2. Starting marks shall be a committee boat, including any anchor, buoy, object or boat attached to it, this changes the RRS definition of a mark, and an outer distance mark (ODM).

10.3. All marks are rounding marks except gate marks.

11. THE START

11.1. Races will be started by using the RRS procedures with the warning signal given 5 minutes before the starting signal.

11.2. If the race committee chooses to make a separate start for the Radial/4.7 fleet, the warning signal for the Radial/4.7 fleet, shall be made at the start of the Standard fleet.

11.3. The committee boat shall display an orange flag when on station for the starts.

11.4. The committee boat starting line shall be between an orange vertical pole on the committee boat and a yellow 'pencil' Outer Distance Mark (ODM).

11.5. If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to hail her sail number. Failure to hail a boat that is subsequently identified, failure to hear the hail, or the order in which boats are hailed shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a)

11.6. A boat that does not start within 5 minutes of her start may be scored 'did not start' without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1.

11.7. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.

12. THE FINISH

12.1. The finish line shall be from the committee boat displaying a blue flag when on station for a finishing line. The finish line will be between the orange vertical pole and the finish ODM.



12.2. The finish line may not be the same length as the start line and may be moved from the start position without any signal to competitors.

13. SHORTENING COURSE

13.1. Races may be shortened or abandoned at the race committee's discretion. This changes RRS32.1.

13.2. Courses may be shortened and finished by the committee boat displaying a blue flag raising flag S with 2 sound signals.

13.3. The race committee may finish at any rounding mark. Boats shall finish between the mark and a pole on a patrol boat displaying flag S with 2 sound signals.

13.4. The race committee may award a finishing position to a boat that is still racing by displaying flag W with one sound signal to her from a patrol boat or race committee vessel (which may be in motion). A boat so notified is no longer required to sail the course, shall stop racing and shall return to the starting area, or return ashore if there is no more racing. The boat's finishing position will be the position she would have received had she sailed the course and finished within any time limit, without gaining or losing. This changes RRS A4.

14. TIME LIMITS

14.1. The time limit for the first boat of each fleet to sail the course and finish shall be 75 minutes.

14.2. Boats which fail to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat in their class has finished will be scored 'did not finish'. This changes RRS35.

14.3. When lead boats have finished the race committee may finish the balance of the boats at a rounding mark, or on the course as per 13.3 or 13.4. This changes RRS35.

15. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

15.1. A boat intending to protest shall inform the other boat at the earliest possible opportunity by hailing 'Protest', or, if the other boat is beyond hailing distance, she shall inform the other boat at the first reasonable opportunity either on the water or as soon as she comes ashore. She shall also inform the race committee on the committee boat after crossing the finish line.

15.2. For the protest to be valid, the protesting boat must complete and submit a protest form to the race committee at BSC no later than 30 minutes after the last finisher in the last race of the day. The same time limit applies to protests by the race committee, and protest committee and to requests for redress.

15.3. The Post-Race Penalty and the Advisory Meeting and RYA Arbitration procedures of the RYA Rules Disputes procedures will be available.

16. SCORING

16.1. The low point scoring system as prescribed by the RRS Appendix A shall be used.

16.2. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

16.3. Series scoring:	<u>Races Completed</u>	<u>Series Score</u>
	2 or fewer	Total of race scores
	3 or more	Total, excluding worst excludable score

17. SAFETY REGULATIONS / RETIREMENT

17.1. RRS 40.1 applies. Adequate personal flotation devices shall be worn afloat by all competitors at all times.

17.2. The penalty for any verified breach of SI 17.1 shall be disqualification from the race without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1.



Signing On

- 17.3.**All competitors shall sign on using the appropriate form at the BSC clubhouse before launching. Competitors not launching from BSC may sign on on-the-water only by prior arrangement with the race committee.
- 17.4.**A competitor who fails to sign on may be scored 'did not compete' without a hearing for each race sailed without signing on. This changes RRS A5.1.

Signing Off

- 17.5.**All competitors coming ashore must sign off for each race sailed within 30 minutes of the finish of the last boat in the last race of the day.
- 17.6.**Competitors not recovering to BSC may sign off on-the-water only by prior arrangement with the race committee.
- 17.7.**A competitor who fails sign off within the time limit may be scored 'did not finish' for each race of the day without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1.

Retirement

- 17.8.**A boat that retires from a race shall:
- 17.8.1. Notify either the committee boat, or a BSC patrol boat, and
 - 17.8.2. Sign off as such within 30 minutes of the finish of the last boat in the last race of the day.

18. REPLACEMENT CREW/EQUIPMENT

- 18.1.**Substitution of competitors is not allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.
- 18.2.**Damaged/lost equipment may be replaced. The race committee must be notified of any replacements at the first reasonable opportunity, which might be after the race.
- 18.3.**Competitors that sail different rig sizes of their class within the series will be scored separately for each rig size sailed.

19. OFFICIAL VESSELS

- 19.1.**The committee boat 'Glad Emma' will fly the BSC pennant.
- 19.2.**BSC patrol boats and other official boats nominated by the race committee may display a yellow flag. Press/photo boat(s) may fly a flag of a different colour designated by the race committee.

20. SUPPORT BOATS

- 20.1.**Only BSC patrol boats and official boats nominated by the race committee are permitted in the areas where boats are racing. All support boats shall stay outside areas where boats are racing, unless requested to provide emergency assistance, from the time of the warning signal for the first start until all boats have finished the race or a postponement or abandonment is signalled.
- 20.2.**Infringement of SI 20.1 by a support boat associated with a competitor (or competitors) may result in the competitor being protested by the race committee for outside assistance under RRS rule 41.

21. RADIO COMMUNICATION

A competing boat shall neither make voice or data transmissions while racing nor receive voice or data not available to all competing boats. This restriction applies to mobile telephones.

22. JETSAM & RUBBISH

- 22.1.**Boats shall not discharge any kind of jetsam or rubbish into the water. All items in a boat should be secured to prevent discharge in the event of a capsized. Boats who fail to comply may be the subject of a protest by the race committee.
- 22.2.**Competitors and support persons shall at all times maintain the cleanliness and tidiness of Bosham Quay and its surrounding areas. No rubbish shall be deposited other than in the bins provided. Boats associated with persons who fail to comply may be the subject of a protest by the race committee.



23. PRIZES

23.1. Prizes will be awarded for all fleets with the number of prizes awarded determined by the number of competitors. Further prizes may be given at the discretion of the race committee.

23.2. All trophies awarded remain the property of Bosham Sailing Club and shall be returned immediately to BSC on request. The holder (or their parent/guardian) is responsible for the safekeeping and adequate insurance of the trophy and for returning the trophy, with the holder's name engraved, to the club office on request at a date designated by the club. No trophy may be taken outside of the UK.

24. RISK STATEMENT

Rule 3 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.' 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 organizer 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) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.

25. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured, with valid third-party liability cover of at least £3,000,000 per incident or claim.

26. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Without prejudice to paragraphs 24 and 25 above, BSC shall not be liable (whether in contract, tort or howsoever otherwise) for any loss, damage, death or personal injury (other than death or personal injury arising from the negligence of BSC) to the owner/competitor, his or her crew nor any damage caused to other yachts whether participating or not, as a result of their taking part in the event.

Every owner and competitor participating in the event undertakes to indemnify BSC against any claim that may be brought against it arising out of his or her negligence or default whilst participating in the event.

27. CONTACT DETAILS

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BSC Laser Open Meeting Course Sheet

1. The Committee Boat may be positioned at either end of the Start / Gate / Finish Line.
2. The Finish Line may not be the same length as the Start Line and may be moved from the Start position without the need for any signal being given to competitors.
3. The rounding Marks shall be orange 'teabag' inflatable marks
4. The Outer Distance Mark shall be a yellow 'pencil' inflatable or a white and blue 'large fender'
5. All boats shall pass through the Start / Gate / Finish Line on each windward leg.

<p>Course T</p>	<p>Course O</p>
<p>Course T Trapezoid Course</p> <p>Signal Mark Rounding Order</p> <p>T2 Start - 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - Gate - 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - Finish</p> <p>T3 Start - 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - Gate - 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - Gate - 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - Finish</p> <p>T4 Start - 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - Gate - 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - Gate - 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - Gate - 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - Finish</p>	<p>Course O Windward / Leeward with Offset Course</p> <p>Signal Mark Rounding Order</p> <p>O2 Start - 1 - 1a - 2 - Gate - 1 - 1a - 2 - Finish</p> <p>O3 Start - 1 - 1a - 2 - Gate - 1 - 1a - 2 - Gate - 1 - 1a - 2 - Finish</p> <p>O4 Start - 1 - 1a - 2 - Gate - 1 - 1a - 2 - Gate - 1 - 1a - 2 - Gate - 1 - 1a - 2 - Gate - 1 - 1a - 2 - Finish</p>
<p>Course S</p>	<p>Course W</p>
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