



Team Race

Royal Burnham Yacht Club vs Royal Thames Yacht Club

Sunday 20th May 2018

Sailing Instructions

1 Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in:-

The Racing Rules of Sailing including the Team racing Appendix D

The rules of the RBOD & RCOD classes

The Crouch Harbour Authority bye-laws

The Notice of Race and

These Sailing Instructions

- 1.2 The use of spinnakers is prohibited.

- 1.3 The race committee may require all boats to carry an owners representative who shall play no part in the racing.

2 Notices to Competitors

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the RBYC

3 Changes to Sailing Instructions

- 3.1 Changes to these SIs will be posted on the official notice board, not less than 1 hour before the first warning signal.

4 Signals Made Ashore

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the RBYC notice board.

5 Communication While Afloat

- 5.1 The Race Committee will make announcements on VHF Channel 37 / M1 throughout the event. Competitors are requested to monitor VHF, especially between racing to receive instructions on subsequent races.

6 Event Format and Schedule of Races

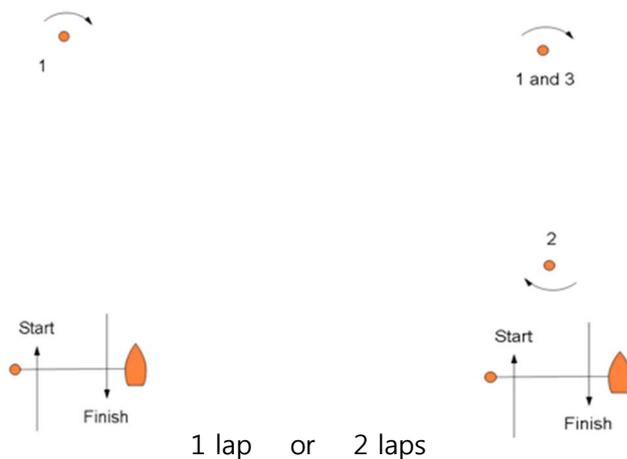
- 6.1 The format of the event is a series of windward/leeward races with teams of 3 boats from each club.
- 6.2 The intention is to run 3 races.
- 6.3 The first warning signal shall be at 1000 on Sunday or as soon as possible afterwards.
- 6.4 Subsequent races will follow as soon as the previous race has finished. The race committee will fly an AP flag which will be lowered 1 minute before the start of the next sequence.
- 6.5 The format may be modified during the event in a fair and practical way as solely determined by the race committee, taking into account the entries, weather conditions, time constraints and any other relevant factors.
- 6.6 The race committee may at any time remove a particular race from the published sequence of races and run it at a later time.

7 The Course and Time Limit

7.1.1 the starting line will be between a mast or pole flying a blue flag on the committee boat and a starting mark;

7.1.2 the finishing line will be the same as the start line.

- 7.2 The course to be sailed will be as shown, unless otherwise advised during the briefing:-



- 7.3 The race committee may lay an inner distance mark close to the committee boat. If such a mark is deployed it will not form part of the starting line. No boat is to enter the area between the inner distance mark and the committee boat.

- 7.4 The race committee may move marks of the course at any time. Rule 33 will not apply.
- 7.5 The time limit for each race will be 30 minutes. Boats failing to finish within ten minutes after the first boat finishes will be scored DNF. This amends rule 35.

8 The Start

- 8.1 Races will be started as per RRS rule 26.
- The Class flags / Team colours will be as drawn on the morning of the competition.
- 8.2 When a boat is subject to rule 29.1 flag X need not be displayed for more than 1 minute after the starting signal; this amends rule 29.1. The race committee may hail the sail numbers or the total number of premature starters.
- 8.3 A boat that fails to start within two minutes of her starting signal will be scored DNS without a hearing. However, if the boat was OCS at her starting signal, she shall be scored in accordance with rule D3.1. This amends rules A4 and A5.
- 8.4 After a general recall succeeding races may be delayed for the recalled race.
- 8.5 In exceptional circumstances, typically light airs and strong tides, the race committee may suspend rules 7.5 and/or 8.3 – the time limit rules.

9 Conduct of the Race

- 9.1 Spinnakers and the gear specifically provided for the utilisation of these shall not be used.
- 9.2 The race committee may require all boats to reef prior to a race by hoisting an "R" signal flag accompanied by two sound signals, before the warning signal for that race.
- 9.3 Standing rigging shall not be altered nor any gear removed without the permission of the race committee.
- 9.4 CONTINUITY
- 9.4.1 Before starting and after finishing or retiring, boats shall sail to minimise any delay to the race schedule and without interfering with any race in progress.
- 9.5 LIMITATION TO REDRESS FOR BREAKDOWNS
- 9.5.1 Before the warning signal for a race a boat may display a red flag to indicate a breakdown or damage to the boat and to request a delay to the next start.
- 9.5.2 The time allowed for repairs will be at the discretion of the race committee.

- 9.5.3 After the warning signal for a race, the race will not be postponed or abandoned or resailed because of any breakdown.
- 9.5.4 No redress will be given in respect of any breakdown unless rule 62.1(b) applies. This changes rule 64.2.

10 Scoring

- 10.1 Scoring shall be as per RRS D3 and D4.

11 Disclaimer of Liability, Insurance

- 11.1 A boat is entirely responsible for her own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing, whether in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions or anywhere else, reduces this responsibility.
- 11.2 It is for the boat to decide whether she is fit to sail in the conditions in which she will find herself. By going to sea, the boat confirms that she is fit for those conditions and that her crew is competent to sail and compete in them.
- 11.3 Competitors are required to ensure the boat holds adequate insurance and in particular to hold insurance against third party claims as required by the notice of race.
- 11.4 Nothing done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of the boat nor will it make the organisers responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury, however it may have occurred, as a result of the boat taking part in the racing. The organisers encompass everyone helping to run the race and the event, and include the organising authority, the race committee, the race officer, umpires, patrol boats and beachmasters.
- 11.5 The provision of support boats does not relieve the boat of her responsibilities.