

INTERNATIONAL FLYING DUTCHMAN CLASS

OPEN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Version 1.2

**FRIDAY 12TH JUNE – SUNDAY 14TH JUNE
2009**

Organising Authority
ROYAL TORBAY YACHT CLUB
TORQUAY, DEVON, ENGLAND

ALL TIMES ARE BRITISH SUMMER TIME (BST)

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The championship will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Racing Rules will be changed as follows:
 - 1.2.1 RR 40 (Personal Buoyancy) shall apply at all times while afloat without the need for Flag Y to be displayed.
 - 1.2.2 FD Class Rule 121 propulsion will apply in alteration of RRS 42.3(c)

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the foyer of the Royal Torbay Yacht Club Clubhouse.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 09:00 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 19:00 hours on the day before it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole located at the inshore end of Haldon Pier.

Flag D with a sound means: 'The warning signal will be made not less than 55 minutes after flag D is displayed'. Boats are requested not to leave the harbour until this signal is made. When Flag AP is displayed ashore "1 minute" is replaced with "not more than 60 minutes" in the Race Signals.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 Dates of racing, number of races, and scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is:

<i>Date</i>	<i>Races</i>	<i>Time of 1st Warning Signal</i>
Friday 12th June	1 & 2	1155 hours
Saturday 13th June	3, 4 & 5	1025 hours
Sunday 14th June	6 & 7	1055 hours

- 5.2 When more than one race will be held on the same day, the warning signal for the first race and each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable. After a long postponement, to alert boats that a race will

begin soon, international code flag 'AP' will be displayed for at least four minutes before a warning signal is displayed.

5.3 On the last day of the championship no warning signal will be made after 1355 hours.

6 CLASS FLAGS

Class flag will be International Code Flag K.

7 RACING AREA

The racing area will be within Torbay and not more than approximately 2 miles from Torquay Harbour.

8 THE COURSES

8.1 The diagrams in Attachment A show the courses, including the course signals, 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 will display on a blackboard:

8.2.1 The course to be sailed.

8.2.2 The approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

9 MARKS

9.1 Marks 1, 1a, 2, 3, will be yellow cylindrical inflated buoys.

9.2 New marks, as provided in instruction 11, will be of the same shape and colour as the original marks.

9.3 The starting marks will be a race committee boat displaying an orange flag and a dan buoy with an orange flag.

9.4 Finishing marks will be a race committee boat displaying a blue flag, and a dan buoy with a blue flag.

10 THE START

10.1 Races will be started by using Rule 26 with the warning signal given 5 minutes before the starting signal.

10.2 The starting line will be between the mast on the committee boat displaying an orange flag and the dan buoy displaying an orange flag at the Port end of the line.

10.3 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes rules A4 and A5.

10.4 When there is a later race the same day, the sail numbers of boats scored OCS, ZFP, or BFD in the previous race will be displayed from the race committee signal boat before the next warning signal.

10.5 When a General Recall is signaled in accordance with Rule 29.3, a new warning signal will not be made until after the successful start of the subsequent class (International 505)

11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position, or lay a new mark and remove the original mark as soon as practicable.

12 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between the mast on the committee boat displaying an blue flag and the finishing mark which will be a dan buoy displaying an blue flag.

13 TIME LIMITS & TARGET TIMES

13.1 Time limits and target times are as follows:

<i>Races</i>	<i>Target time</i>	<i>Time limit</i>	<i>Extension</i>
1,2,3,5,6 & 7	60 minutes	120 minutes	30 minutes

13.2 Boats failing to finish within the extension time (see 13.1) after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes rules 35, A4, and A5.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 14.1 Any boat that takes a one turn penalty under RR 31.2 (touching a mark) shall record the penalty when signing off and in so doing confirm that no significant advantage was gained in the race or series by so touching the mark.
- 14.2 Any boat that takes a two turn penalty under RR 44.1 (taking a penalty) shall record the penalty when signing off and in so doing confirm that no injury nor serious damage was caused and no significant advantage was gained in the race or series by the rule infringement.
- 14.3 The exoneration penalty for a boat realizing that a rule has been broken after finishing. But prior to the commencement of a protest hearing is 20% of the number of boats ranking as starters, to a minimum of 2 and a maximum 5 points. If on consulting a rules advisor it is realized that a rule has been broken, but no party takes any further action, the penalty is zero. However, if a boat caused injury or serious damage, or gained a significant advantage in the race or series by her breach, her exoneration penalty is to retire.
- 14.4 A fine penalty will be a contribution to the RNLI, made before the protest time limit, of £10.00 for the first offence, £20.00 for the second, £40.00 for the third and so on, provided for in RRS 64.1 (a).

15 PROTESTS & REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1 Protest forms are available at the race office located at RTYC Clubhouse. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 15.2 The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.
- 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.
- 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, 2, 17, 20, 21 and 22 will not be grounds for 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 scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered.
- (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day.
- (b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes rule 66.
- 15.7 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress from a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

16 SCORING

- 16.1 When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 16.2 When 4 to 7 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 16.3 To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a boat may complete a scoring enquiry form available at the race office.
- 16.4 The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under instruction 15.5 will be DPI.

17 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 17.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 17.2 Personal buoyancy must be worn at all times while afloat.
- 17.3 Competitors are responsible for ensuring that their boat and crew are prepared for the conditions that they may face whilst afloat and that they comply with the class rules.
- 17.4 A Tally on/off system will be in operation – competitors shall take their tally before going afloat and return it to the tally board at the earlier of 15 minutes of coming ashore and the protest time limit. Failure to comply with this requirement will result in a penalty.

18 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 18.1 An entry for the Championship shall comprise a team of an identified boat, helm and crew for the duration of the event. If during the event the helm becomes incapacitated then the crew may substitute the helm and a substituted crew permitted. If the crew is incapacitated a substitute crew may be permitted. Any substitution

may only be made with the prior (written) permission of the Race Committee confirmed in writing and once a substitution has been made it may not be reversed. Any other changes shall be treated as a separate entry for the purposes of the results and prizes.

- 18.2 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.

19 EQUIPMENT & MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

20 SUPPORT BOATS

Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay more than 100metres outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment, unless attending a boat in distress requiring assistance, or as directed by the race committee.

21 TRASH DISPOSAL

Boats shall not put trash into the water. Trash may be placed aboard support and race committee boats.

22 BERTHING

Boats shall be kept in their assigned spaces.

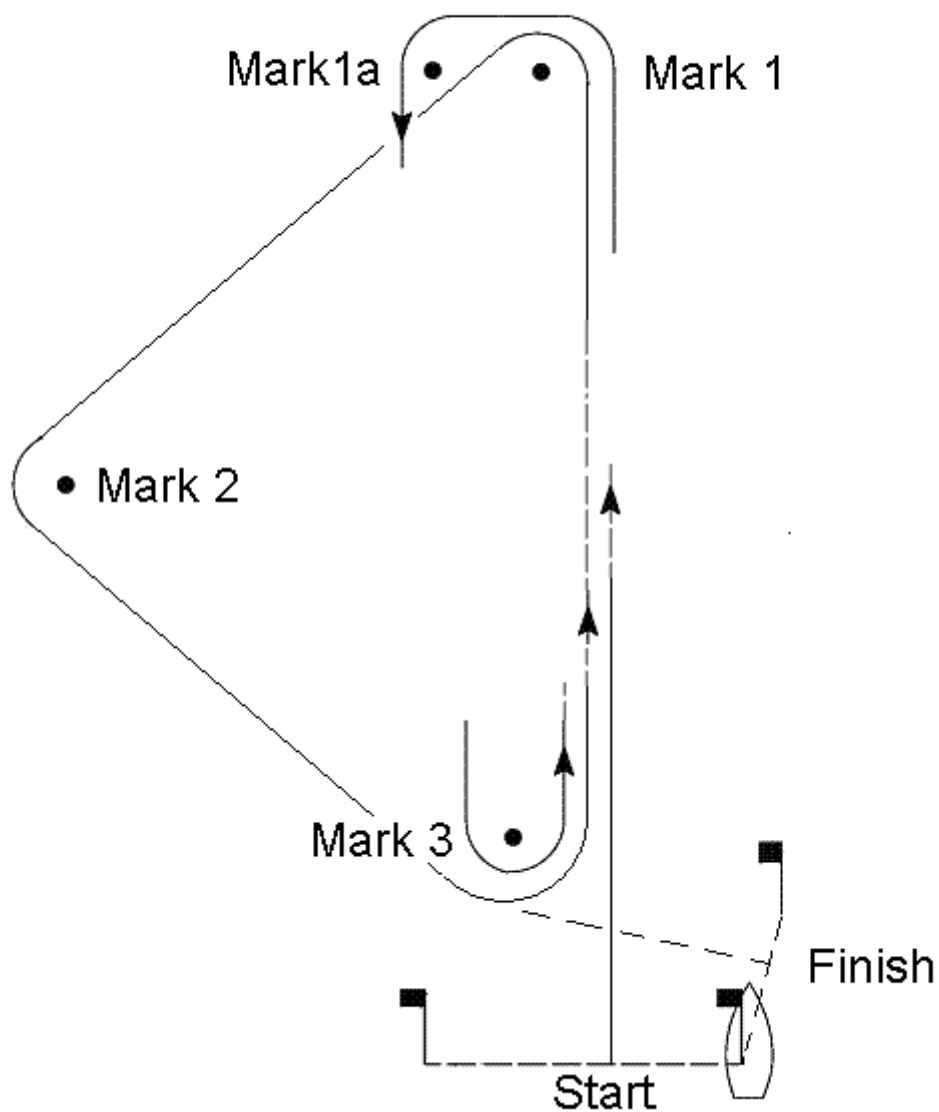
23 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

24 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2million per event or the equivalent.

Attachment A
Triangle Course Diagram



Signal Mark rounding order

C 1 Start, 1, 1a, 3, 1, 2, 3, 1, Finish

C 2 Start, 1, 1a, 3, 1, 3, 1, 3, Finish

C 3 Start, 1, 1a, 3, 1, 2, 3, 1, 3, 1, 2,, 3, 1, 3, Finish