



## **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

### **ROYAL TORBAY YACHT CLUB RS TERA COACHED OPEN MEETING SUNDAY 08<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2014**

#### **1 RULES**

1.1 The event shall be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.

1.2 Competitors shall wear lifejackets or other adequate personal buoyancy at all times when afloat. Wet suits and dry suits are not adequate personal buoyancy.

1.3 On water advice may be given by the on-water coach's, this amends Rule 41 (Outside Help).

#### **2 PRE EVENT BRIEFING**

2. A briefing for competitors will held at 0930 at the base of Haldon Pier.

#### **3 SCHEDULE**

3. The warning signal for the first race will be 1045. Three races will be sailed back to back before lunch. After lunch the first warning signal will be 1400, three further races will be sailed back to back.

#### **4 CLASS FLAG**

4 Class flag will be: T (red/white and blue vertical stripes).

#### **5 RACING AREA**

5 The racing area will be in the north- west waters of Tor Bay.

#### **6 COURSES**

6 Appendix A shows the course. The number of rounds to be sailed will be displayed on a black-board on the committee boat.

#### **7 MARKS**

7 Marks 1, 2 & 3 will be orange inflatable buoys, the start – finish mark will be a white buoy with an orange flag.

## **8 THE START**

8.1 The starting line will be between a mast displaying an orange flag on the Committee Boat and a white buoy with an orange flag.

8.2 Races will be started using the following signals.

Minutes before Starting signal	Visual Signal	Sound signal	Means
5	Class Flag (T)	One	Warning signal
4	P	One	Preparatory signal
1	P removed	One long	One minute
0	Class flag removed	One	Start signal

## **9 THE FINISH**

9. The finishing line will be between a mast displaying an orange flag on the Committee Boat and a white buoy with an orange flag.

## **10 TIME LIMITS**

10 Boats failing to finish 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

## **11 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

11.1 Protest Forms are available in the RTYC. The Protest Time is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.

11.2 Rule 44.1 is changed from a two turn penalty to a one turn penalty when she has broken one or more rules in part 2.

## **12 SCORING**

12.1 The Low Points Series of RRS Appendix A will be used.

12.2 Six races are scheduled of which three shall constitute a series.

12.3 If up to three races are completed all races will count.

12.4 In the event four or more races are sailed, one discard will be allowed, (Amends RRS Appendix A2).

## **13 RISK AND RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT**

13.1 Rule 4 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”.

13.2 Torbay Week accepts no responsibility or liability for loss of life or injury to skipper or crew or others, or for the loss of, or damage to, any vessel or property.

13.3 The skipper and crew shall be held jointly responsible for the conduct of the boat’s crew before, during and after a race. Misconduct may result in both the person in charge and crew being excluded from future races and renders a boat liable to disqualification.

13.4 The race committee shall make starting signals unless in their opinion it is manifestly unsafe for any of the boats entered to remain in the vicinity of the

starting line. Each boat shall exercise her responsibility under Fundamental Rule 4 Decision to Race and decide whether or not to start or to continue to race.

- 13.5 No boat shall be accepted as an entry unless the skipper of the boat has, before the start of the race, signed a declaration in the terms set out on the entry form. 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;
- 13.5.1 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;
- 13.5.2 They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their property whether afloat or ashore;
- 13.5.3 They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- 13.5.4 Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in this event and they are fit to participate.
- 13.5.5 The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.
- 13.5.6 The provision of a patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
- 13.6 The fact that the race committee conducts inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in the Notice of Race.

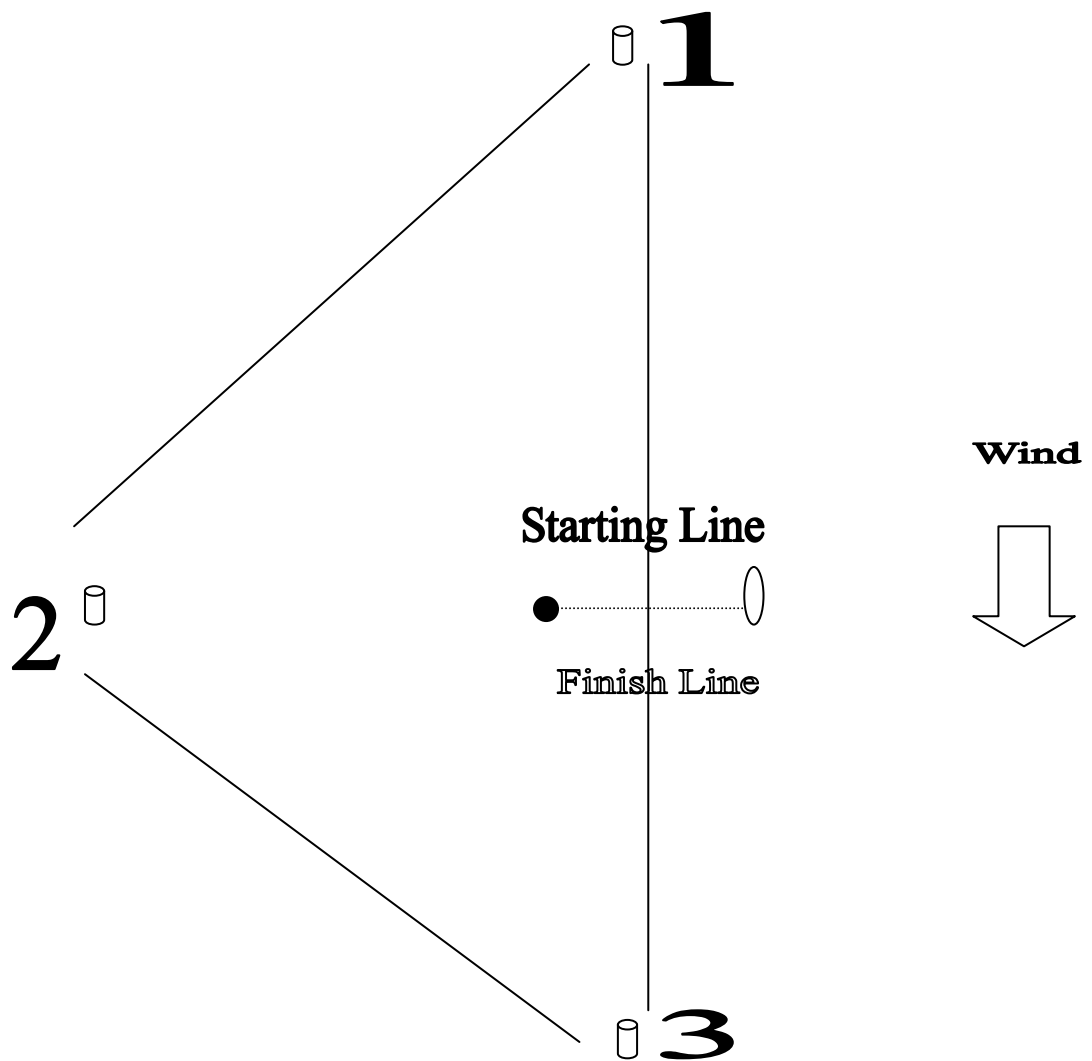
#### **14. INSURANCE**

- 14 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000, or the equivalent, for the total period of the regatta.

#### **15. Prizegiving**

- 15 Prizegiving will take place in the Club as soon as possible after the boats have come ashore after the last race.

## Appendix A Course Diagram



Course Start, 1, 2, 3 Finish. One Round

All Buoys to be left to PORT

When sailing from Mark 3 to Mark 1 you must pass through the Start/Finish Line.

Marks 1, 2 and 3 are Orange Inflatable Buoy.

The Start Finish Mark will be a white dan buoy with an orange flag.