

RSrnYC Academy Winter Series

Sailing Instructions

For 4th and 25th November and 9th December

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1.0 RULES

- 1.1 Racing will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 With regard to non-racing boats including shipping, all boats shall conform to the IRPCAS and the Southampton Harbour Byelaws 2003, particular attention should be paid to byelaws 7, 10 and 11. A Protest under this SI may be brought only by the Race Committee (RC) and not by a competitor. This changes RRS 60.1.
- 1.3 The Class Flag for all boats will be Numeral 1 however this does not need to be flown.

2.0 SAFETY

- 2.1 Competitors' attention is drawn to Paragraph 4 of the NOR regarding safety equipment.
- 2.2 Competitors' attention is drawn to RRS 1.2 & 40 regarding personal flotation devices. Adequate personal flotation shall be worn or carried on board for each crew member no RSrnYC owned J/80 comes equipped with its own PFDs.
- 2.3 When Flag Y is flown from the Committee boat, in addition to the requirements of RRS 40, personal flotation devices shall be worn so as to be clearly visible to other competitors.

3.0 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The class signal will be Numeral 1.
- 3.2 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the Committee Boat which will be the Sir Michael Rib displaying a club burgee.
- 3.3 When Flag AP is displayed ashore, "I minute" is replaced with "not less than 30 minutes" in the race signal AP.
- 3.4 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board (ONB) in the entrance hall of the clubhouse and on the club web site.
- 3.5 The RC will use VHF Ch. M1 (37a) for Race Management. Competitors are advised to monitor this channel before and between races. Boats retiring from a race shall report their retirement to the RC.

4.0 COURSES

- 4.1 The course area will be the Hill Head Plateau region of the central Solent. The RC boat will announce the location of the start line on VHF.
- 4.2 Courses will be advised by VHF Channel M1/37a before the warning signal, using the 2017 Royal Southern Mark Codes shown on the website.
- 4.3 All courses will be windward/leeward and the leeward gate will be formed by the start line outer distance mark and the committee boat.

5.0 RACE SCHEDULE AND STARTING

- 5.1 The intention of the RC is to run 3 races for each Saturday of the Series and no more than 4 races shall be sailed on any one day.
- 5.2 No Warning Signal for a start will be made after 14:30.
- 5.3 The warning signal for the first race of the day will be at **1055** and the starting schedule will be **5-4-1-GO**. Subsequent races on the same day will start as soon as possible after the finish of the previous race.
- 5.4 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, an orange flag will be displayed (with one sound) as an attention signal, at least one minute before the first warning signal of that sequence.

5.5 There will be one start with all classes being combined in the same starting sequence, unless there are more than three boats of a single class, in which case the starting order will be.

J/70

J/80

SB20

Any combined classes

- 5.6 The starting line will be between the mast or staff of the RC boat flying an orange flag and the outer distance mark described on VHF.
- 5.7 For the purposes of RRS 31 (Touching a Mark), the RC boats (including any attached boats or marks), and outer distance mark are all deemed to be starting marks.
- 5.8 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal may be scored "Did Not Start". This changes RRS A4.1.

6.0 FINISHING

6.1 The finishing line will be the same as the start line and be between the staff or mast displaying an orange flag on the RC boat and the ODM.

7.0 PENALTIES

7.1 The penalty imposed by the Protest Committee under RRS 64.1(a) may, in exceptional circumstances, be a lesser penalty than DSQ.

8.0 TIME LIMIT

8.1 The time limit will be 20 minutes after the second boat finishes. This changes RRS 35.

9.0 PROTESTS

9.1 Protests must be received at the Clubhouse race office no later than 2 hours after the finish of the last race on each day. Protests for each day's racing will be heard as soon as possible after coming ashore. For the first two Saturdays, if it is not possible to hear the protest on the day, it shall be heard after racing, on the following Saturday when racing is due.

10.0 SCORING

- 10.1 The scoring system is as defined in the Notice of Series (9.1).
- 10.2 In addition to NOS (9.1), points for DNC, DSQ, DNS and OCS will be equal to the total number of competitors in that boats class, or 12, whichever is greater.

11.0 RESULTS AND PRIZES

- 11.1 Results of each race will be posted on the official notice board and on the website.
- 11.2 Overall Prizes will be presented in the on the last day of racing on the 9th December 2017 at the Royal Southern Yacht Club.

12.0 FURTHER INFOMATION

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