



Chichester Yacht Club Sailing Instructions

The CYC Regatta 2010

26th June 2010

Organising Authority: Chichester Yacht Club.
National Authority: Royal Yachting Association.

1 Rules

The event will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2009 - 2012*.

The Swallows, Sunbeams and XODs will race under the Itchenor Sailing Club Sailing Instructions.

All others will race under these Sailing Instructions.

Competitors should note that Chichester Yacht Club implements the RYA Racing Charter and expects competitors to sail in compliance with the charter.

2 Notices to Competitors

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the Sloop at Chichester Yacht Club and on the fleet's committee boat.

3 Changes to Sailing Instructions

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted ashore at least one hour, or on the appropriate committee boat at least 20 minutes, before the warning signal of the race it affects. Changes posted on committee boats shall take precedence.

4 Signals Made Ashore

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the mast situated between the two slipways.

4.2 Postponement Signals Ashore: When the AP is displayed ashore the time "1 minute" shall be replaced with the time "not less than 20 minutes". This changes the RRS Race Signals.

5 Fleet Designation and Class Flags

Fleet:	Fleet Description:	Class Flag:
Fleet 1	Swallows	To be arranged by ISC.
Fleet 2	Sunbeams	To be arranged by ISC.
Fleet 3	XOD	To be arranged by ISC.
Fleet 4	Fast Handicap (PY of 1059 and below)	Naval Numeral "0"
Fleet 5	Laser Handicap (for Standard and Radial Lasers)	Laser Class Flag
Fleet 6	Medium Handicap (PY between 1060 and 1199 inclusive)	International code flag "4"
Fleet 7	Solo	International code flag "5"
Fleet 8	Slow Handicap (PY of 1160 and above)	International code flag "F"
Fleet 9	Optimist	International code flag "O"
Fleet X	Class racing for boats with at least 5 entries and a PY of 1160 or above	

Class flags for Fleet X will be designated on the day, and selected from International code flags "E", "T", "6" or "8".

6 Racing Schedule

6.1 Briefings: Competitors' briefings for the Swallows, Sunbeams and XODs will be arranged by Itchenor Sailing Club, while briefings for all others will be held at 10:00 in the Sloop at CYC.

6.2 Race Schedule:

For fleets 1 to 7 one race is planned, while for other fleets two races are planned.

Fleet:	Fleet Description:	Warning Signals:
Fleet 1	Swallows	Arranged by ISC at 10:25.
Fleet 2	Sunbeams	Arranged by ISC at 10:35.
Fleet 3	XOD	Arranged by ISC at 10:45.
Fleet 4	Fast Handicap (PY of 1059 and below)	10:55
Fleet 5	Laser Handicap (for Standard and Radial Lasers)	11:00
Fleet 6	Medium Handicap (PY between 1060 and 1199 inclusive)	11:05
Fleet 7	Solo	11:10
Fleet 8	Slow Handicap (PY of 1160 and above)	Race 1: 10:55 - Race 2 to be announced.
Fleet 9	Optimist	First race will be no earlier than 11:00.

Warning signals for extra fleets (Fleet X) will be designated on the day.

7 Racing Area

For fleets 1 to 7 inclusive courses will be set and races held in Chichester Harbour, while for other fleets courses will be set and races held on the waters known as Chichester Lake near CYC.

8 Courses

8.1 The courses for fleets 1, 2 and 3 will be arranged by ISC but should have CYC 3 as their last mark and finish at the finish line defined in section 11.1.1. CYC will inform ISC of the rough location of CYC 3 and the finish line and whether CYC 3 should be left to Port or Starboard.

8.2 The course for each of fleets 4, 5, 6 and 7 shall be displayed on the yacht Otter II at least 10 minutes before the fleet's warning signal and may be displayed on the notice board in the sloop at CYC. For each fleet the following shall be displayed: the fleet's number, the designation of the course to be sailed and on which side CYC 1 and CYC 3 are to be left. The possible courses, with their designations, are as follows:

Course A Start Line CYC 1 (*) Westlands (S) Wear (P) Dunes (S) SW Pilsey (S) Channel (S) Freddie Brooks (P) East Head (P) Park (S) CYC 3 (*) Finish Line	Course B Start Line CYC 1 (*) Westlands (S) Wear (P) John's Folly (P) East Head (P) Park (S) CYC 3 (*) Finish Line	Course C Start Line CYC 1 (*) Westlands (S) Wear (P) Ellanore (S) Lowles (S) Park (S) CYC 3 (*) Finish Line	Course D Start Line CYC 1 (*) Westlands (S) Wear (P) Ellanore (S) SW Pilsey (S) Astra (P) Park (S) CYC 3 (*) Finish Line
Course E Start Line CYC 1 (*) Westlands (S) Park (S) Deep End (P) Wear (P) Peacock (P) Itchenor (S) CYC 3 (*) Finish Line	Course F Start Line CYC 1 (*) Westlands (S) Longmore (S) Perch (P) Bowling (S) Copperas East (S) Westlands (S) CYC 3 (*) Finish Line	Course G Start Line CYC 1 (*) Westlands (S) Birdham Racing (S) Copperas East (P) Bowling (P) Lake (S) Heron (P) CYC 3 (*) Finish Line	Course H Start Line CYC 1 (*) Westlands (S) Longmore (S) Perch (P) Bowling (P) CYC 3 (*) Westlands (S) CYC 3 (*) Finish Line

8.3 The race courses for all other fleets, fleets 8, 9 and X, including details of the start and finish lines will be displayed on the official notice board in the Sloop at CYC at least 30 minutes before the warning signal of the race.

8.4 Legs of the course will not be changed after the preparatory signal. This changes RRS 33.

9 Marks

9.1 Racing marks shall be either large orange cylindrical buoys, bearing the initials CYC and an identification number, or small spherical buoys coloured green, orange, yellow, pink or red, or any of the fixed yellow Chichester Harbour racing marks. The approximate positions of the Chichester Harbour racing marks are shown on the charts in the Sloop at Chichester Yacht Club.

9.2 Starting and finishing marks are defined in instructions 10 and 11: The Start.

10 The Start

10.1 The starting lines are defined as follows:

10.1.1 The start line for the Swallows, Sunbeams and XODs will be defined by ISC.

10.1.2 For fleets 4, 5, 6 & 7 the start line shall be between the yacht Otter II and the large orange cylindrical buoy with the identification mark CYC 3. Otter II shall be the starboard end starting mark and CYC 3 shall be the port end starting mark. The starting line shall be between a staff on Otter II displaying an orange flag and CYC 3.

10.1.3 For all other fleets the start line shall be between the CYC committee boat Cyclone and the large orange cylindrical buoy with the identification mark CYC 0. Cyclone shall be the starboard end starting mark and CYC 0 shall be the port end starting mark. The starting line shall be between a staff on Cyclone displaying an orange flag and CYC 0.

10.2 Limit marks may be laid adjacent to any starting mark and they shall be small spherical buoys. If used, limit marks are marks of the course and no boat shall pass between a limit mark and the starting mark it guards after her warning signal.

10.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence of other races.

11 The Finish and Finishing

11.1 The finishing lines are defined as follows:

11.1.1 For the Swallows, Sunbeams and XODs, unless changed by ISC, and fleets 4, 5, 6 & 7 the finishing line shall be between the yacht Otter II and the large orange cylindrical buoy with the identification mark CYC 1. Otter II shall be the starboard end finishing mark and CYC 1 shall be the port end finishing mark. The finishing line shall be between a staff on Otter II displaying an orange flag and CYC 1.

11.1.2 For all other fleets their finishing line shall be as per their start line defined in section 10.1.3.

11.2 The race committee may shorten the course for a specific fleet, but not all fleets, by flying international code flag S with the appropriate class flag.

11.3 If flag S is flown over the relevant class flag then that fleet's race shall be shortened in accordance with RRS 32.

12 Time Limits

12.1 For fleets 1 to 7 inclusive the time limit for the leading boat shall be 3 hours. Boats failing to finish within 1 hour of the leading boat shall be scored as Did Not Finish with out a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

12.2 For all other fleets the time limit for the leading boat shall be 70 minutes. Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes of the leading boat may be scored as Did Not Finish; however the Race Officer may award finishing positions and times to boats still racing to help them get a finishing position. The Race Officer's finishing position and time decisions are final and will not be grounds for a competitor to seek redress. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

13 Scoring

13.1 For fleets 1 to 7 a boat's score will be equal to its race score.

13.2 For fleets 8 and 9, and any extra class fleets, a boat's score will be the sum of a boat's race scores in all races sailed.

14 Protests, Rule Disputes and Requests for Redress

14.1 The Exoneration Penalty, Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available during this event. See the official notice board for details.

14.2 A competitor intending to request an advisory hearing or lodge a protest must advise the race committee, but preferably the race officer, of their proposed action as soon as possible after finishing the race concerned and before leaving the race area and coming ashore.

14.3 Protest forms are available in the Sloop at Chichester Yacht Club. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

14.4 For each fleet, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.

14.5 Notices will be posted on the official notice board no later then 20 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

14.6 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted on the official notice board to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).

14.7 Breaches of instructions 4.3, 10.3, 15.1, 16.1, 17.1 and 17.2 and Notice of Race paragraphs 2 and 4.4 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides. The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under this instruction shall be DPI.

14.8 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered either within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day or no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes RRS 66.

14.9 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.

15 Radio Communication

15.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make nor receive radio transmissions while racing. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

16 Safety Regulations

16.1 Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices adequate for the conditions at all times while racing. International code flag Y will not be displayed. Wet suits and dry suits shall not be considered as adequate personal flotation devices. Also junior competitors shall wear adequate personal flotation devices when on the pontoons. This instructions changes RRS 40. Parents, guardians and those acting in loco parentis are solely responsible for ensuring that young competitors in their care comply with this instruction.

16.2 The helm of every boat will be deemed to have signed on by entering the event as described in section 4.4 of the NOR. The helm of every boat will be sign off by signing a declaration sheet at their entry desk or by notifying a race committee vessel that they are signing off. By signing off the helm is indicating that the correct courses have been sailed and the rules obeyed for all races sailed and that all of the boat's crew have returned safely. A helm shall indicate that he has retired from a race by signing off with the code RTD, DNF or RAF.

17 Local Variations

17.1 Competitors are warned that cruisers in the approach channels to the Chichester Marina and Birdham Pool cannot necessarily manoeuvre freely or navigate outside the confines of the channels and hence can not be expected to give right of way to boats racing. Competitors are requested to keep clear of all boats in these channels and are reminded that the International Rules for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea apply between vessels that are racing and those that are not racing.

17.2 Competitors are asked to keep well clear of fishermen's lines whether cast from the bank or from moored boats.

17.3 Competitors are warned that the mud bank known as Monkey Island, situated between the Club Line and the Monkey racing mark, has shallow patches and dries out well before low water.

18 Prizes

Prizes may be awarded at the event organiser's discretion and depending on the number of entries.

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