



Inter-club Harbour Race

April 27th 2024 - Warning signal 12.55

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

The Organising Authority for the event is
Dell Quay Sailing Club, Apuldram, Chichester, PO20 7EE

1 RULES

The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021 - 2024*.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Official communications will be posted the Official Notice Boards at Dell Quay and CYC Sailing Clubs, a minimum of one hour before the published start time of the event.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change in the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Boards at Dell Quay and CYC Sailing Clubs, a minimum of one hour before the published start time of the of the event.
- 3.2 Changes to a sailing instruction may be made on the water by the patrol boat informing all competitors by displaying Flag L and a display board.

4 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be will be posted on the Official Notice Boards at Dell Quay and CYC Sailing Clubs

5 CODE OF CONDUCT

Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

6 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 6.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the DQSC Race Box and at CYC.
- 6.2 Flag D with one sound means 'Boats shall not leave the shore until this signal is removed. The warning signal will not be made before the scheduled time or less than 10 minutes after flag D is displayed.

7 SCHEDULE OF RACE

- 7.1 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the race is shown in the [Notice of Race](#) 12.55
- 7.2 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.

8 COURSES

The course for the race will be displayed on the course board in the Dell Quay and CYC club houses.

9 MARKS

Marks are either fixed racing marks as shown in Addendum 1 and/or orange cylindrical inflatables.

10 OBSTRUCTIONS

Fishing lines from the Quay are considered obstructions.

11 START

11.1 Races will be started using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.

11.2 The starting line will be closed 10 minutes after the start of the event; any boat not then started will be scored as DNS. (*This changes RRS A4.1*).

11.3 **Committee boat starts:** The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the committee boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark. There may be an Inner Distance Mark in the proximity of the committee boat. The inner distance mark may not be on the line. Competitors shall not pass between this mark and the committee boat.

12 FINISH

12.1 **Shore-based finishes:** Competitors will finish at their respective home club lines. i.e. Boats from DQSC will finish on the DQSC club finish line and CYC boats will finish on the CYC club finish line. The DQSC Club Finish Line is the extension of a line between the striped, orange fixed post on the Race Box and racing mark Quay. An outer distance mark may be laid but will not necessarily lie on the line. Note - The mark 'Quay' denotes the finish line, not the moveable transit.

12.2 **Shortened course** - RRS 32.2 is changed as follows:

There are two ways in which the course may be shortened:

a) Races may be shortened by displaying a flag S with a red or green pennant on a patrol boat; boats will then return to finish on their club lines, **after rounding the next mark to port or starboard** in accordance with the displayed pennant.

b) Races may be shortened at any mark of the course by displaying a flag S on a patrol boat adjacent to the mark. The finish line will be between the patrol boat and the mark of the course.

13 PENALTY SYSTEM

13.1 The RYA Alternative Disputes Resolution (DQSC modified) will be implemented. Details are available [on the DQSC website](#) and also on the club official notice board.

- 13.2 A boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 of the Racing Rules of Sailing or rule 31 may, after finishing the race concerned and before the start of any related protest hearing, notify the race committee that she accepts an Exoneration Penalty – a 30% scoring penalty (SCP) calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c), except that the minimum penalty is three places and she shall not be scored worse than the number of boats that came to the starting area. However, if the boat caused injury or serious damage or, despite taking a penalty, gained a significant advantage in the race or series by her breach her penalty shall be to retire.
- 13.3 When an Exoneration Penalty is accepted: (a) Neither the boat nor a protest committee may then revoke or remove the penalty. (b) The boat shall not be penalised further in a protest hearing when the protest committee decides that it was appropriate to the facts found and the applicable rules.

14 TIME LIMIT

- 14.1 The Mark 1 Time Limit, Race Time Limit , and the Finishing Window are shown in the table below. This changes RRS 35.

Mark 1 Time Limit	Race Time Limit	Finishing Window
100 mins	180 mins	+30 mins

- 14.2 These time limits may be extended at the race officer's discretion.
- 14.3 If no boat has passed the first mark within the Mark 1 Time Limit, the race will be abandoned.
- 14.4 The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalised or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. A boat scored TLE shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the points scored by the last boat that finished within the Finishing Window. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.
- 14.5 Failure to meet the Target Time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

15 HEARING REQUESTS

- 15.1 The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the last boat finishes the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today,

whichever is later. This time may be changed at the Race Officer's discretion. The time will be posted on the official notice board.

15.2 Hearing request forms are available from the race officer.

15.3 Notices will be posted on the official Notice Boards no later than 60 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the Dell Quay Race Box, beginning at the time posted.

16 SCORING

16.1 Boats will score according to their handicap finishing positions within their respective club fleets.

16.3 In the event of a mistake in the results, please notify the Race Officer on the day.

17 SAFETY REGULATIONS

17.1 Declarations are not required. All competitors shall sign-on a minimum of 30 minutes before published start time and sign-off within 60 minutes of finishing the last race. This time limit may be extended at the Race Officer's discretion.

17.2 Failure to comply with 18.1 will result in a scoring penalty of 15% to be applied to the race nearest in time to the infringement, calculated as specified in RRS 44.3 (c).

17.3 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

18 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

Substitution of damaged or lost equipment is allowed.

19 BOATS AND COMPETITORS IN DIFFICULTY

When the race committee considers that a boat or competitor is in difficulty it may instruct the boat or competitor to accept outside help, retire or sail ashore. Competitors shall obey such instructions.

20 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact Dell Quay Sailing Club Sailing Secretary via e mail : sailingsecretary@dellquaysc.co.uk