



2018 RS Reunion Regatta

Sat 28 April: RS Pursuit Race

Hayling Island Sailing Club, Hampshire, UK

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The races will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 1.3 The notation [DP] in a rule of the NoR or SI means that the penalty for breaching the rule is at the discretion of the protest committee, and may be less than disqualification.

2 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 2.1 There will be a briefing for competitors on Sat 28 April at 12:00.
- 2.2 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board, located in the race office, near the clubhouse entrance.
- 2.3 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flag masts on the club race control box.
- 2.4 [DP] Boats shall not leave the shore until flag D is displayed ashore. The warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after flag D is displayed.
- 2.5 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted at least 30 minutes before flag D is displayed (SI 2.4).
- 2.6 The class flag for the first class to start will be Flag F.

3 RACE SCHEDULE

The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first class to start (RS Feva) is 13:30.

4 THE COURSE

The course to be sailed will be posted on the official notice board at least 30 minutes before the warning signal.

5 MARKS

- 5.1 Marks will be inflated cylindrical buoys, fixed racing marks, or navigation marks. The colour of inflated buoys will be posted.
- 5.2 Starting marks will be the committee boat and a boat or buoy with an orange flag.
- 5.3 Finishing marks will be a committee boat displaying Flag S and a blue flag, and one of:
 - (a) a boat with a blue flag, or
 - (b) a course mark as described in instruction 7.2.

6 THE START

- 6.1 (a) The start times for each class are shown in Attachment A; these are in minutes after the first scheduled class to start.
- (b) The first scheduled class will be started using RRS 26.
- (c) For other classes RRS 26 and Preparatory Signals in Race Signals are deleted. Each start will be preceded by displaying from the committee boat the time delay in minutes for the class. The number will be removed with a sound at the class's start time.
- 6.2 The starting line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on the starting marks.
- 6.3 [DP] Boats other than the next class to start shall keep clear of the starting area.

- 6.4 Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.1, except that flag X will be displayed for no longer than 30 seconds. This changes RRS 29.1.
- 6.5 General recalls will be signalled in accordance with RRS 29.2, except that flag First Substitute will only be displayed for 30 seconds, and will be removed without a sound signal. Classes subject to a general recall shall restart three minutes after their original start time (six minutes after a second general recall, and so on). If the recalled start time coincides with another class's start time, the recalled start will be one minute later. This changes RRS 29.2.

7 THE FINISH

- 7.1 The race will finish approximately 150 minutes after the first start. All boats finishing within 30 minutes of the first boat home will be timed in.
- 7.2 The finishing line will be one of the following:
 - (a) Between the blue flags on the finishing marks, set as near as is practical on, and at right angles to, the line between the marks bounding the leg on which the leading boat is sailing. The finishing line may move back round the course whilst finishing boats. At a mark of the course this finish line may change by substituting the course mark as a finishing mark.
 - (b) Between the blue flag on the committee boat and the mark that ends the leg on which the leading boat is sailing.
 - (c) After the first boat has finished, additional finishing lines may be set up at any mark the lead boat has previously rounded; such finishing lines will be between a committee boat displaying a blue flag and a mark of the course. Boats that have not yet rounded the mark shall finish here.

8 PROTESTS & REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 8.1 Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within 30 minutes of finishing the race.
- 8.2 Breaches of SI 10 will not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 8.3 Penalties for breaches of class rules, RRS 55 or rules in the NoR and SIs marked [DP], are at the discretion of the protest committee.

9 SCORING

Boats shall be placed in the order in which they cross the finishing lines with boats that are further round the course taking higher places. If a boat crosses more than one finishing line the first result recorded shall count.

10 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 10.1 [DP] Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices at all times while afloat, except briefly while adjusting clothing or personal equipment.
- 10.2 Check-out and check-in of competitors will apply as follows:
 - (a) The tally control point to check-out and check-in competitors will be located at the race office.
 - (b) Tallies comprise numbered rubber wristbands. Numbers will be allocated at registration, and posted on the official notice board. Tallies shall be worn visibly by all competitors, over clothing, on the right wrist, at all times while afloat.
 - (c) [DP] Competitors shall check-out before racing by collecting their tallies.
 - (d) [DP] Competitors shall check-in immediately on returning to shore after racing, by returning the tallies to tally control.
- 10.3 [DP] A boat that retires from the race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

11 RISK STATEMENT

- 11.1 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."

- 11.2 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:
- (a) 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;
 - (b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
 - (c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omission;
 - (d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
 - (e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
 - (f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
 - (g) It is their responsibility to familiarize themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.
 - (h) Their boat is adequately insured, with cover of at least £2 million against third-party claims, or the equivalent in other currencies.

Attachment A
START TIMES

Delay in minutes	Classes
0	RS FEVA XL
13	RS AERO 5
14	RS VISION
16	RS VENTURE
18	RS VAREO
19	RS QUEST
21	RS AERO 7
23	RS 200
27	RS AERO 9
28	RS 100 8.4
31	RS 100 10.2
32	RS 300, RS ELITE
34	RS 500
36	RS 400
39	RS 600
48	RS 700
53	RS 800