



2018 RS Reunion Regatta

Sun 29 April: RS Classes Sprint Race Series

Hayling Island Sailing Club, Hampshire, UK

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta 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 Sun 29 April at 09:00.
- 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 schedule of races will be posted by 20:00 on the day before it will take effect and any change to the sailing instructions will be posted at least 30 minutes before flag D is displayed (SI 2.4) on the day it will take effect.
- 2.6 The allocation of boats to the handicap fleets will be posted on the official notice board.
- 2.7 The class flags will be as follows:
 - RS200: Class insignia on yellow background
 - RS400: Class insignia on violet background
 - Fast Handicap: Pennant 5
 - Slow Handicap: Pennant 6

3 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 3.1 Number of races: 4.
- 3.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race is 10:30
- 3.3 The warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable.
- 3.4 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 one minute before a warning signal is made.

4 RACING AREA

The racing will take place in Chichester Harbour; the precise location will be posted on the official notice board.

5 THE COURSES

- 5.1 The diagrams in Attachment A show the courses, the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 5.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the course designation (A, B or C) and the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.
- 5.3 The race committee may move marks of the course without signaling. RRS 33 is deleted.

6 MARKS

- 6.1 Marks 1 and 3 will be yellow inflated cylinders; marks 2 and 4 will be black inflated cylinders.
- 6.2 Starting marks will be the race committee signal boat at the starboard end and a boat or buoy with an orange flag at the port end.
- 6.3 Finishing marks will be the race committee signal boat and a boat or buoy with a blue flag.

7 THE START

- 7.1 The starting line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on the starting marks.
- 7.2 [DP] Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.

8 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between staffs displaying blue flags on the finishing marks.

9 TIME LIMITS & TARGET TIMES

- 9.1 The target time is 20 minutes. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 9.2 Boats failing to finish within 5 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

10 PROTESTS, PENALTIES & REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 10.1 Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 10.2 For each class, the protest time limit is 45 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 10.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
- 10.4 Notices of protests by the race committee, technical committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 10.5 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.
- 10.6 Breaches of SI 12, Safety Regulations, will not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 10.7 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.

11 SCORING

- 11.1 Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 11.2 Handicap fleets will be scored using corrected times calculated using the 2018 RYA Portsmouth Yardstick numbers.
- 11.3 A boat starting later than two minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

12 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 12.1 [DP] Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices at all times while afloat, except briefly while adjusting clothing or personal equipment.
- 12.2 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.
 - (e) The race committee may apply a standard penalty without a hearing for a breach of (c) or (d) of this SI. The penalty will be 3 points added to the boat's series score. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.
- 12.3 [DP] A boat that retires from a race, or does not intend to start a race, shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

13 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 13.1 [DP] Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.
- 13.2 [DP] Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

14 EQUIPMENT & MEASUREMENT CHECKS

On the water, a boat can be instructed by a member of the race committee or technical committee to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

15 RISK STATEMENT

- 15.1 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."
- 15.2 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
COURSE DIAGRAM

