



# 2018 International Moth Open Meeting

13 May 2018

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 13 May at 09:00 in the clubhouse.
- 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 will be Flag O.

### 3 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 3.1 The race schedule is as follows:

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Time of 1<sup>st</sup> warning signal &amp; scheduled races per day:</b>	
	<b>Time:</b>	<b># Races:</b>
13 May	10:30	3

- 3.2 The warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable.
- 3.3 To alert boats that a race will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least two minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 3.4 No warning signal will be made after 15:30.

### 4 RACING AREAS

- 4.1 Attachment A shows the location of racing areas 'Alpha', 'Bravo' and 'Charlie'. Racing may also take place in Chichester Harbour.
- 4.2 The area to be used will be posted on the official notice board.
- 4.3 **Danger Area:** The entrance to Chichester Harbour is low lying and indistinct and is flanked on either side by West Pole and East Pole Sands that extend for more than a mile offshore. The West Pole and East Pole Sands merge to form Chichester Bar a little over half a mile offshore. Ebb tides in the entrance to the harbour can run at up to six knots on springs and, with a falling tide and strong winds from a southerly sector, a dangerous sea may be encountered. At certain states of the tide, it is difficult for patrol boats to operate in the area of West Pole Sands. Boats are therefore advised to follow the marked navigation channel.

## 5 THE COURSES

- 5.1 The diagram in Attachment B shows the courses, the course designations, 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 (number of laps) and the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

## 6 MARKS

- 6.1 Marks 1, 1a and 2 will be inflated black cylinders.
- 6.2 Starting marks will be a race committee signal boat at the starboard end, and a boat or dan-buoy displaying an orange flag at the port end.
- 6.3 Finishing marks will be a race committee signal boat at the starboard end, and Mark 2 at the port end.

## 7 THE START

The starting line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on the starting marks.

## 8 THE FINISH

- 8.1 The finishing line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee boat and mark 2.
- 8.2 When the leading boat completes the course and finishes, the Race Committee signal boat at the finish will immediately display flag V with a sound signal. Flag V will be removed at the end of the finishing window time (SI 9.1). When the leading boat completes the course and finishes, all boats that cross the finishing line within the finishing window time after the leading boat has finished shall be deemed to have finished, irrespective of the number of laps they have completed. Their position in the race will be taken from their finishing order and the number of laps completed with those having the most laps finishing ahead of those with fewer laps. This changes RRS 28.1 and A4.
- 8.3 Boats failing to cross the finishing line within the finishing window time will be scored after those finishing as described in SI 8.2 that completed more laps, and ahead of those finishing in accordance with SI 8.2 that completed the same number of laps, according to their position at the previous passing of mark 2. If they have failed to complete one lap, they will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5

## 9 TIME LIMITS & TARGET TIMES

- 9.1 The finish window and target times in minutes are as follows:

<b><i>Finish window</i></b>	<b><i>Target time</i></b>
15	30

- 9.2 If no boat has completed the first lap within 30 minutes the race will be abandoned.
- 9.3 Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

## 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 The protest time limit is 90 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 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 11.2 (a) When fewer than three races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When three races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 11.3 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes RRS A4 and A5.
- 11.4 To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a boat may complete a scoring enquiry form available at the race office.

## **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] The Race Committee may permit a boat to use sails carrying a distinguishing number other than her own sail number. Application to do so shall be approved by the race committee before the start of the days racing.
- 13.3 [DP] Foil changes: A boat shall not change its rudder or dagger board or the T-foils used on them whilst afloat. The change may only be made whilst ashore.

## **14 EQUIPMENT & MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

## **15 SUPPORT BOATS**

[DP] Support persons shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

## **16 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

[DP] Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

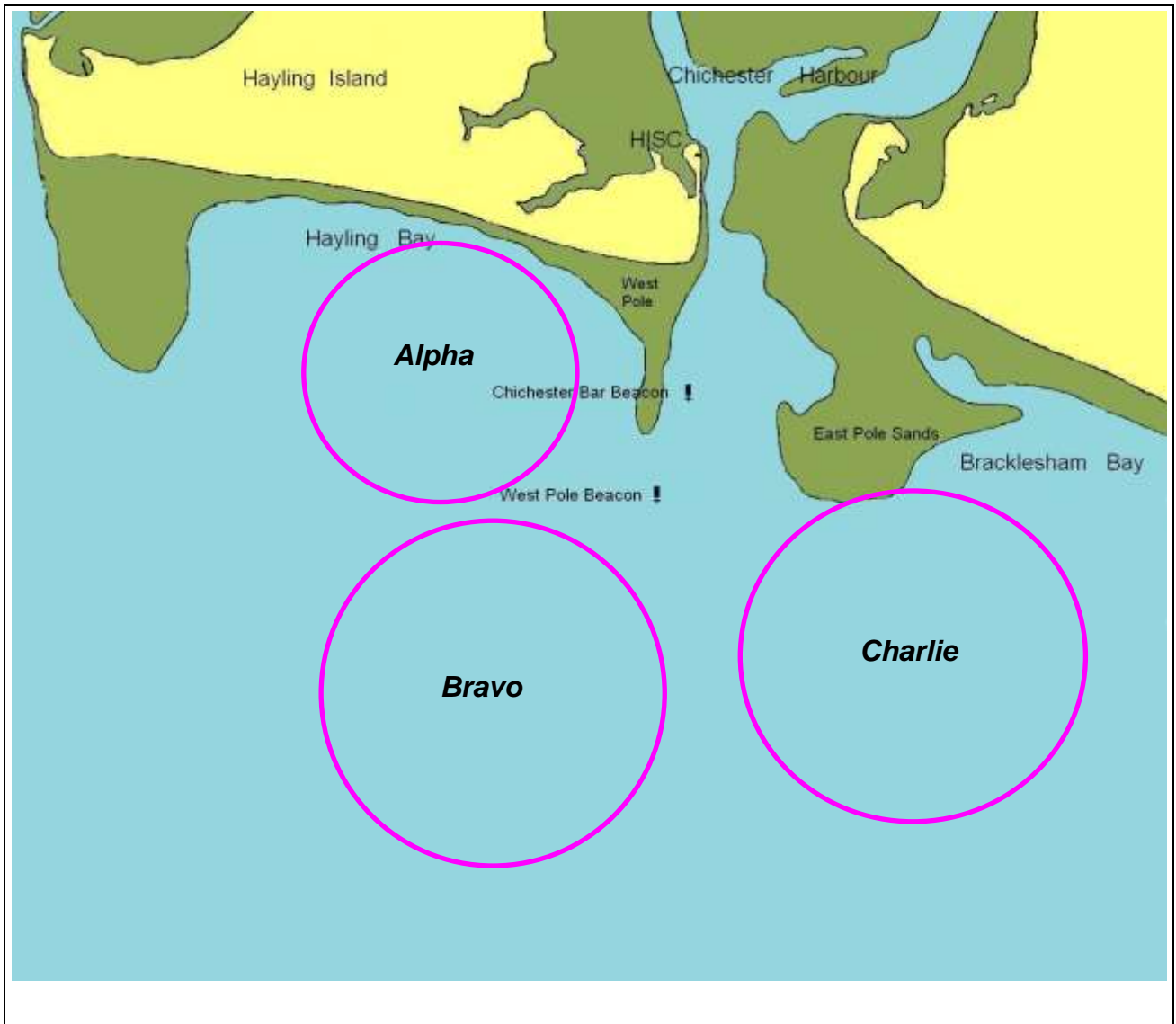
## **17 RISK STATEMENT**

17.1 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."

17.2 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 familiarise 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; and,
- (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  
RACING AREAS**



**Attachment B**  
**COURSE DIAGRAM**



**Signal: Mark rounding order:**

**L2 Start - 1 - 1a - 2 - 1 - 1a - Finish**

**L3 Start - 1 - 1a - 2 - 1 - 1a - 2 - 1 - 1a - Finish**

**L4 Start - 1 - 1a - 2 - 1 - 1a - 2 - 1 - 1a - 2 - 1 - 1a - Finish**