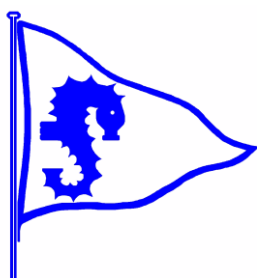


# **Severn Sailing Club**

## **RACE OFFICERS GUIDEBOOK**



### Appendix 7

## **Sailing Instructions In Brief**

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These extracts from the Sailing Instructions are designed to assist racers, but do not act as a substitute to the full sailing Instructions.

Should a dispute arise the full Instructions will be enforced.

Section numbers refer to the full Severn Sailing Club Sailing Instructions which are available for viewing upon request.

- 1.1 Racing will take place under the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020, the prescriptions of the RYA, these Sailing Instructions and the appropriate class rules.
- 2.1 The safety of a yacht and her entire management (including insurance) shall be the sole responsibility of the owner/competitor racing the yacht, who must ensure that the yacht and crew are adequate to face the conditions which may arise in the course of the race. Neither the establishment of the sailing instructions nor the inspection of the yacht under these conditions in any way limits or reduces the absolute responsibility of the owner/competitor for his crew, his yacht and the management thereof. The race organisers shall not be responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury however caused to the owner/competitor, his skipper or crew, as a result of their taking part in the race or races. Moreover, every owner/competitor warrants the suitability of his yacht for the race or races. Attention is drawn to Racing Rule 4.
- 2.2 A yacht shall not be eligible to race unless valid insurance cover to a minimum value of £2,000,000 has been obtained
- 2.5 Declarations must be signed within one hour of the last boat finishing. Competitors failing to meet this condition may be disqualified unless they can prove the conditions to be unreasonable in the circumstances.
- 7.1 The course will consist of one up stream and one downstream turning mark, both coloured yellow. Further marks coloured red or green may be inserted between these marks. The course configuration will be shown on the front of the starting box. It will show the start/finish line and the hands on which all marks are to be left (i.e. port (red) or starboard (green)).
- 7.3 All yachts must keep clear of fishermen. These are designated as obstructions and Racing Rules 19 & 20 will apply.
- 8.1 The starting line will be an extension of the two transit posts in front of the starting box. One post will be the flag mast, the other will be portable and topped by a red circle unless otherwise specified by the race officer.
- 8.2 The starting direction will be shown by an arrow on the front of the starting box.
- 8.5 If a race is postponed, the answering pennant shall be flown and two sound signals made. One minute before the new warning signal, the answering pennant will be lowered and one sound signal made.

- 10.1 The finishing line will be the same as the start line (see 8.1) unless otherwise specified by the race officer.
- 11.1 To shorten the course ICF 'S' will be flown and two sound signals made.
- 11.3 The race officer may change course by flying ICF 'C', making one sound signal and notifying all competitors by hail of the new course. This changes Racing Rule 33.
- 12.3 A yacht which fails to finish within 60 minutes of the leading yacht shall be scored DNF. This changes Racing Rule 35.
- 13.1 Protests must be lodged within 30 minutes of the last finisher, unless this can be shown to be unreasonable.
- 14.1 A yacht touching a mark shall exonerate herself in accordance with racing rules 44.1 & 44.2 (One Turn).
- 14.2 Racing Rules 44.1 & 44.2 (Two Turns) will apply for infringements of a rule of Part 2.
- 15.1 The points scoring system shall be as described in The Racing Rules of Sailing Appendix A. The Low Points System shall be used as stated in A4 unmodified.