



# SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

## Channel Islands Open Dinghy Masters Championship

Friday 29th June - Sunday 1st July 2012

**Organising authority:  
St Catherine's Sailing Club**

All times Local Time (UTC +1)

| Date     | Low Water | Height (m) |
|----------|-----------|------------|
| Friday   | 08:43     | 3.3        |
| Saturday | 10:01     | 3.1        |
| Sunday   | 11:14     | 2.6        |

### **1 RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Royal Yachting Association prescriptions will apply and will be stated in full in the sailing instructions.
- 1.3 The Racing Rules will be changed as follows:  
Rule 35 Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course & finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5  
Rule 61.3 The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day. The same protest time limit applies to all protests by the race committee, protest committee and to requests for redress. The protest committee may extend the protest time limit. This changes rule 61.3 (Ref. SI14.2) will be changed by the sailing instructions in which the changes will appear in full.  
The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.

### **2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in St Catherine's Sailing Club, clubhouse.

### **3. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0800 hours on the day it will take effect except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 hours on the day before it will take effect.

### **4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

Signals made ashore will be displayed on the signal mast at St Catherine's Sailing Club.

### **5 SCHEDULE OF RACES**

- 5.1 There will be a practise race on Friday 29th June with the warning signal at 18:55hrs

- 5.2 The main championship will take place over Saturday 30th June & Sunday 1st July with six open handicap races over the two days, the number of races each day will not exceed 4.
- 5.3 The scheduled time for the first warning signal will be 10:25hrs on both days.

## 6. CLASS FLAGS

Racing will be controlled by a race committee boat, Class Flag O will be displayed

## 7. RACING AREA

The racing area will be held in St Catherine's Bay

## 8 THE COURSES

Courses will be indicated in **Schedule A**;

The course number as detailed in **Schedule A**, will be displayed on the race committee boat; Marks A, B, C and D shall be rounded to port. **Average lap will apply**. Mark L indicates the port end of the start & finish line & must be left to port at the completion of each lap.

## 9 MARKS

Courses set by **race committee boat** will use inflatable **yellow cylindrical** buoys

## 10 THE START

- 10.1 Races will be started as specified in rule 26 with the warning signal given 5 minutes before the starting signal;
- 10.2 The starting line will be between a mast or staff displaying a **yellow** flag on the race committee boat marking the starboard end of the line and a laid inflatable mark marking the port end.
- 10.3 Where an inner limit mark is laid it must be passed on the same side as the race committee boat that it guards. Boats shall not pass between that mark and the race committee boat at any time. An inner limit mark will not form part of the starting line transit;
- 10.4 A boat failing to start within five minutes of its starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS). This changes rule A 4.1.

## 11 CHANGE OF POSITION OF THE NEXT MARK

- 11.1 To change the position of the next mark the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position. Any mark to be rounded after rounding the moved mark may be relocated without further signalling to maintain the course configuration;
- 11.2 Boats shall pass between a race committee boat signalling the change of course and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard. This changes rule 28.1.

## 12 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a mast or staff displaying a blue flag on the relevant race committee boat marking the starboard end of the line and a laid inflatable outer limit mark marking the port end.

## 13 TIME LIMIT

- 13.1 Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

## 14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 14.1 Protest forms are available at St Catherine's Sailing Club's Race Office. Protests shall be delivered to the Race Office before the protest time limit;
- 14.2 The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat in the relevant class has finished the last race of the day. The same protest time limit applies to all protests by the race committee, protest committee and to requests for redress. The protest committee may extend the protest time limit. This changes rule 61.3;
- 14.3 Notices of competitors' protests will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings to which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the Race Office.

## **15 SCORING**

- 15.1 The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply;
- 15.2 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series
- 15.3 A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worse score when six races are completed. No score will be excluded when less than six races are completed.

## **16 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 16.1 Any boat that retires from a race shall notify a race committee boat or other competitor as soon as possible.

## **17 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

- 17.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee
- 17.2 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

## **18. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

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

## **19. RESULTS AND PRIZES**

- 19.1 Results will be posted on the official notice board at St Catherine's Sailing Club at the end of each day's racing. The confirmed and final results will be announced at St Catherine's Sailing Club on Sunday 1st July as soon as possible after completion of the final race. Prizes will be given as follows:
- 19.2 The Francis Le Brocq Masters Trophy will be awarded to the overall winner.
- 19.3 Prize awarded to the first Apprentice Master (helm aged between 35 - 44)
- 19.4 Prize awarded to the first Master (helm aged between 45 - 54 )
- 19.5 Prize awarded to the first Grand Master (helm aged between 55 - 64)
- 19.6 Prize awarded to the first Great Grand Master (helm aged 65+)
- 19.7 Prize awarded to the first lady (lady helm aged 35+)
- 19.8 Prize awarded to the first "Ton Up Team" (total age of boat crew 100+)
- 19.9 Note that competitors are only eligible to win the Francis Le Brocq Masters Trophy plus one age group category detailed above.

## **20. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 20.1 A boat is entirely responsible for its own safety whether afloat or ashore and nothing whether in the Notice of Race, Sailing Instructions or anywhere else, reduces this responsibility;
- 20.2 It is for the boat to decide whether it is fit to sail in the conditions in which it will find itself. By launching or going to sea, the boat confirms that it is fit for those conditions and that its crew is competent to sail and compete in them;
- 20.3 Nothing done by the Organising Authority will reduce the responsibility of the boat nor will it make the Organising Authority responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury, however it may have occurred, as a result of the boat taking part in the event. The Organising Authority encompasses everyone helping to run the racing and the event and includes the Organising Authority, the race committee, the race officers, patrol boats, beach-masters and other authorised helpers;
- 20.4 The provision of patrol boats does not relieve the boat of its responsibilities. Although reasonable efforts will be made to provide patrol boat cover, competitors are reminded that, particularly in extreme weather conditions, cover should not be relied upon, and in any event they can only be given such assistance as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
- 20.5 Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk, see rule 4 'Decision to Race'. The Organising Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the event.

## **21. INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000 (two million pounds), throughout the event, to include racing.

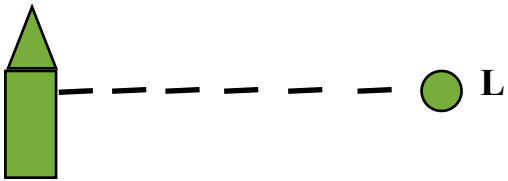
## Schedule A

Course 1 = A, B, C, D, L (Average Lap)

Course 2 = A, D, A, B, C, D, L (Average Lap)

Course 3 = A, B, C, B, C, D, L (Average Lap)

Course 4 = A, D, A, B, C, B, C, D, L (Average Lap)



**Wind direction**