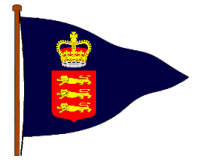


# ROYAL CHANNEL ISLANDS YACHT CLUB



## WINTER DINGHY SERIES 2011

### SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Organising Authority: The Royal Channel Islands Yacht Club (RCIYC)

#### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*;
- 1.2 The Racing Rules will be changed as follows:
  - Rule A4 A boat failing to start within five minutes after its starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) (SI 10.3)
  - Rule 62.1(a) If no boat has finished within one hour, timed from the starting signal, the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not provide grounds for redress (SI 14.1)
  - Rule 35, A4 & A5 Boats failing to finish within twenty minutes after the first boat in its class sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing (SI 14.2)

#### 2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the RCIYC.

#### 3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0800 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 at the RCIYC. When a visual signal is displayed over a class flag it applies to that class only.

#### 5 SCHEDULE

	Date	HW	Ht	1 <sup>st</sup> Warning Signal
Races 1, 2 and 3	Saturday 5 <sup>th</sup> November	1427	8.4	1255
Races 4, 5 and 6	Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup> November	1152	8.6	0955

The warning signal for a succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable after the completion of the preceding race on each day.

## 6 CLASS FLAGS

6.1 Class flags will be

Class		Flag
Class A	Boats with a PY number 1170 or less	A
Class B	Boats with a PY number greater than 1170	B

## 7 RACING AREA

The racing area will be within St Aubin's Bay.

## 8 THE COURSES

8.1 Appendix W shows a diagram of the general course configuration;

8.2 Courses will be indicated using a 'hymn board' attached to the race committee boat, as follows:

Hymn Board No	Trapezoidal courses									
1	(S)	A	B	C	(F)					
2	(S)	A	B	C	B	C	(F)			
3	(S)	A	D	A	B	C	(F)			
4	(S)	A	D	A	B	C	B	C	(F)	

## 9 MARKS

9.1 The port-end starting mark will be a yellow pyramid buoy;

9.2 The finishing mark will be an orange pyramid buoy;

9.3 Marks A, B, C and D of the course will be laid yellow pyramid buoys;

9.6 A race committee boat signalling a change of a leg of the course is a mark as provided in instruction 11.2.

## 10 THE START

10.1 Races will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal given five minutes before the starting signal;

10.2 The starting line will be between a mast or staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee boat, at the starboard end, and the port-end starting mark;

10.3 A boat failing to start within five minutes after its starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS).

## 11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

11.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) to a new position.

## **12 THE FINISH**

The finishing line will be between a mast or staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee boat and the finishing mark.

## **13 PENALTY SYSTEM**

13.1 Rule 44.2 will apply;

13.2 As provided in rule 67, the protest committee may, without a hearing, penalise a boat that has broken rule 42.

## **14 TIME LIMIT**

14.1 If no boat has finished within one hour, timed from the starting signal, the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not provide grounds for redress;

14.2 Boats failing to finish within twenty minutes after the first boat in its class sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing.

## **15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

15.1 Protest forms are available at the RCIYC. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit;

15.2 For each class, the protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat in its class has finished the last race of the day;

15.3 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held at the RCIYC;

15.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b);

15.5 A list of boats that, under instruction 13.2, have acknowledged breaking rule 42 or that have been disqualified by the protest committee will be posted before the protest time limit.

## **16 SCORING**

16.1 Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series;

16.2 A boat must start in at least two races to be counted in the series;

16.3 When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores;

16.4 When four or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## **17 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

17.1 Boats shall check-in with the beach officer prior to launching so that a list of sail numbers and competitors can be communicated to the race committee boat before racing commences. After racing, all boats shall check-out with the beach officer;

17.2 Boats shall close with the race committee boat before racing for identification purposes;

17.3 Any boat retiring from a race shall notify the race committee boat and/or a patrol boat and the beach officer as soon as possible.

## **18 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

## **19 EQUIPMENT AND 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 measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

## **20 OFFICIAL BOATS**

The race committee boat will fly an orange flag.

## **21 SUPPORT BOATS**

Patrol boats will be in attendance for mark-laying purposes and to render assistance if required.

## **22 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

- 22.1 The race committee boat and patrol boats will maintain a listening watch on VHF channel 8;
- 22.2 Except in emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

## **23 PRIZES**

- 23.1 Date of the prize-giving – Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> November, as soon as possible after 1300 hrs in the RCIYC;
- 23.2 Place prizes will be awarded in each class, as follows:
  - 2 entries – first prize only
  - 3 entries – first and second prizes only
  - 4 or more entries – first, second and third prizes only;

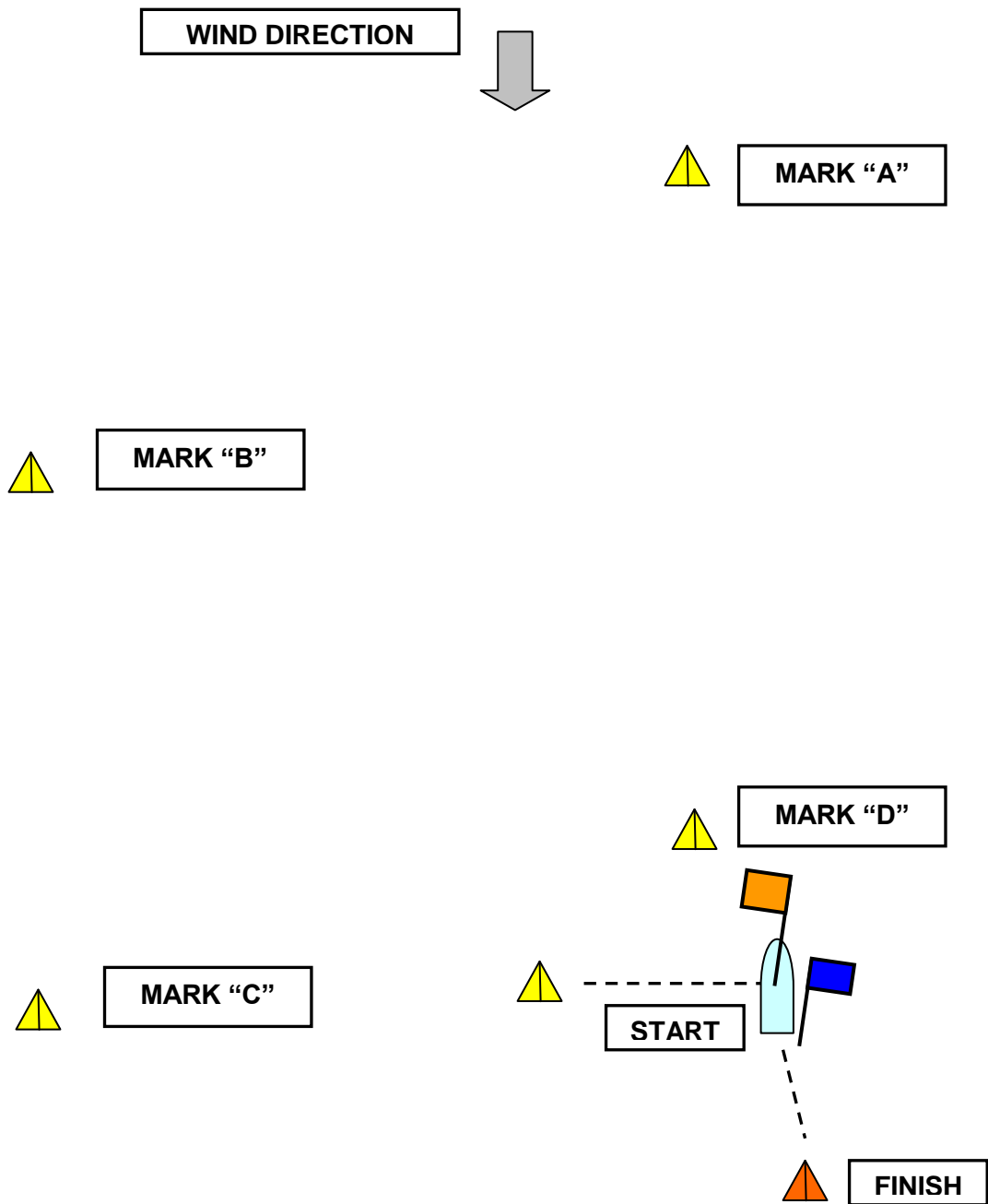
## **24 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 24.1 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;
- 24.2 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;
- 24.3 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, beachmasters and other authorised helpers;
- 24.4 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;
- 24.5 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.

## **25 INSURANCE**

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

APPENDIX W



Hymn Board No	Trapezoidal courses									
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