


<p>Sailing Instructions</p> <p>Regatta Pursuit Race</p> <p>Saturday 3rd July 2010</p>	<p>Organising Authority</p>  <p>Datchet Water <i>Sailing Club</i></p> <p>Queen Mother Reservoir, Horton Road, Horton, Berkshire SL3 9NT</p> <p>+44 (0) 1753 683872 sailing@dwsc.co.uk</p>

1. RULES

1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing*.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the wet bar of Datchet Water Sailing Club.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted at least 30 minutes before the warning signal of the race, except any change to the schedule will be posted by 20:00 hrs on the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

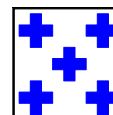
- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flag staff located at the South end of the clubhouse.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 20 minutes' in the race signal AP.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 All entrants will be required to sign on in the Wet Bar using the standard club signing on sheets at least half an hour before their provisional start times shown in Appendix 1.
- 5.2 There will be a single pursuit race on Saturday 3rd July 2010.
- 5.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the race is 14:25 hrs.
- 5.4 The race duration is scheduled to be 2.5 hours [150 minutes] for the slowest boat of the "Fast" group and 1.5 hours (90 minutes) for the slowest boat of the "Slow" group.
- 5.5 The schedule of start times for boats will be posted on the official notice board at least 15 minutes before the warning signal.

6. CLASS FLAGS

The class flag for the first boats to start shall be Naval Numeral 0 (zero). There will be no start flag for all subsequent starts.



7. RACING AREA

The Queen Mother Reservoir.

8. THE COURSES

The course to be sailed will be displayed on the official notice board at least 30 minutes before the Warning Signal.

9. MARKS

The marks will be large orange and blue inflatable marks bearing various logos.

10. AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

11. THE START

- 11.1 The start for each class, in minutes from official time of the race, will be when the start number is shown on the "digital clock".
- 11.2 The start number for each individual boat will be calculated from PY Number declared on her entry form. SCHRS Handicap Numbers will be multiplied by 686 to give an equivalent PY number. Times will be rounded to the nearest whole number with 0.5 and above being rounded up.
- 11.3 The starting procedure will be as follows:
 - 5 minutes to first start: single sound signal and flag Naval Numeral 0 [zero] flown
 - 4 minutes to first start: single sound signal and flag "P" flown
 - 1 minute to first start: single sound signal and flag "P" lowered
 - 0 minutes: single sound signal and start flag Naval Numeral 0 [zero] lowered
 - Each subsequent class shall start when the "digital timer" displays the class start number (in minutes from the first start) as posted on the official notice board. At every minute a sound signal may be made.

12. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

13. THE FINISH

- 13.1 The race will last for 2.5 hours (150 minutes), at the expiration of which a long sound signal will be made. Each boat will thereafter finish at the next finish line, which will be between a Finish Boat and a rounding mark.
- 13.2 Once having finished, no boat shall cross any other finish line.

14. PENALTY SYSTEM

Rules 44.1 and 44.2 will apply to all competitors

15. TIME LIMITS

Not Applicable

16. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 16.1 Protest forms are available at the Club office adjacent to the wet bar. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
- 16.2 The protest time limit is 45 minutes after the finishing time. The same protest time limit applies to all protests by the race committee and to requests for redress.
- 16.3 Notices will be posted within 15 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the Wet Training Room located on the first floor of the club house scheduled to begin 20 minutes after the notice of protests is posted.
- 16.4 Notices of protests by the race committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 16.5 A boat that has taken a penalty under rule 31.2 or 44.1 shall complete an acknowledgement form at the race office within the protest time limit.

17. SCORING

- 17.1 The overall finish position will be based on the furthest distance sailed, with the boat sailing the furthest distance being placed first overall and the boat sailing the next furthest distance second overall and so on.
- 17.2 Teams will be scored on the aggregate overall positions of the individual boats comprising the team, with the team scoring the lowest aggregate point points being placed first.

18. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 18.1 The priority of safety boats is the safety of competitors and neither the race committee nor the club accepts any responsibility for damage to boats or equipment
- 18.2 A boat shall not interfere with or try to pass between a safety boat and a boat that is capsized or otherwise needing assistance, or persons in the water.
- 18.3 Adequate personal buoyancy for all crewmembers shall be worn at all times whilst afloat and shall be centred above the waist. This changes the part 4 pre-amble and rule 40.
- 18.4 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 18.5 The following minimum clothing requirements are mandatory: -
 - Full Wetsuit (i.e. wrist to ankle) or
 - Dry Suit with appropriate thermal undergarments.

19. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 19.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without the prior written approval of the race committee.
- 19.2 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.

20. 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 the race committee measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

21. OFFICIAL BOATS

22. SUPPORT BOATS

Support boats for competitors competing in the event are not allowed.

23. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

24. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

25. RADIO COMMUNICATION

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.

26. PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows: -

- 1st boat overall
- other prizes to separate schedule posted on the day

27. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 27.1 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.
- 27.2 The safety of a boat and her entire management including insurance shall be the sole responsibility of the owner/person in charge who must ensure that the boat and crew are adequate to face the conditions that may arise in the course of the race. Neither the sailing instructions nor any inspection of the boat limits or reduces the absolute responsibility of the owner/person in charge for the crew, the boat and her management.
- 27.3 The organising authority shall not be responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury howsoever caused to the owner/person in charge or crew, as a result of their taking part in the race or races. Moreover, every owner/person in charge warrants the suitability of the boat for the race or races.

28.INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000 (pounds sterling) per event or the equivalent.