

ROYAL CHANNEL ISLANDS YACHT CLUB



26th CHANNEL ISLANDS HOBIE CAT CHAMPIONSHIPS

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Saturday 1st & Sunday 2nd July 2017

High Water:

Saturday 1st July – 1245hrs 8.7m

Sunday 2nd July – 1348hrs 8.4m

All times local times (UTC+1)

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

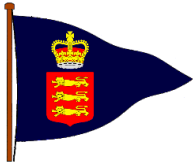
Organising Authority: Royal Channel Islands Yacht Club (RCIYC)

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*;
- 1.2 The Prescriptions of the Royal Yachting Association will apply;
- 1.3 The Class Rules of the International Hobie Class Association will apply;
- 1.4 Racing rules will be changed as follows

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| Rule A4 | A boat failing to start within five minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS). (Ref: SI 10.4); |
| Rule 28.1 | Boats shall pass between the race committee boat signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard. This changes rule 28.1. (SI 11.2) |
| Rule 44.1 | Rule 44.1 is changed in that only one turn is required. (Ref SI 13.1); |
| Rules 35 and A4 | A boat failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat in its class sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF). This changes rules 35 and A4. (SI14); |
| Rule 55 | The penalty for breaking rule 55, Trash Disposal, is at the discretion of the protest committee and may be less than disqualification; |
| Rule 61.1(a)(2) | A boat protesting another boat shall follow rule 61.1(a) with the following modification: the World Sailing requirement for under 6 metre boats will apply to all classes. (Ref SI 15.5). |
| Rule 60.1(a) | Breaches of instructions 10.5, 13.2, 17 and 18 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides. (SI 15.6) |

- 2 **NOTICES TO COMPETITORS** - notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board in the RCIYC.



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3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS - any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board 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.

5 SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Six races are scheduled over the two days; the number of races on either day shall not exceed four;
- 5.2 The scheduled time of the first warning signal on Saturday 1st July is 1025 hours;
- 5.3 The scheduled time of the first warning signal on Sunday 2nd July is 1125 hours;
- 5.4 No warning signal will be made after 1630 hours on Sunday 2nd July.

6 CLASS FLAGS

Class		Flag
Class 1	Boats with a rating equal to or less than 1.000	Light blue
Class 2	Boats with a rating in the band 1.001 to 1.200	Green
Class 3	Boats with a rating greater than 1.200	Orange

7 RACING AREA - the racing area will be in St Aubin's Bay

8 THE COURSES

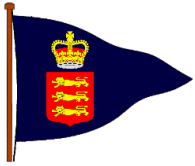
- 8.1 Courses will be used as indicated in Appendix A;
- 8.2 The course number will be displayed on the race committee boat;
- 8.3 Marks A1, A2, A3 and B shall be rounded to port. Marks G1 and G2 form a gate to be rounded in either direction.

9 MARKS

- 9.1 Marks A1, A3 and B and will be yellow pyramid buoys. Mark A2 will be an orange dumpy buoy. Marks G1 and G2 will be orange pyramid buoys. The starting line outer limit mark will be a yellow pyramid buoy. The finish line outer limit mark will be an orange dumpy buoy;
- 9.2 New marks, as provided in instruction 11.1, will be laid inflatable buoys;
- 9.3 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 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 of the line and the outer limit mark marking the port end;
- 10.3 Where an inner limit mark is laid, 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 after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS). This changes rule A4;
- 10.5 Boats whose warning signal has not been made must avoid boats that are starting.



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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) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark;
- 11.2 Boats shall pass between the race committee boat signalling the change of the next leg 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 finish line will be between a mast or staff displaying a blue flag on the race finish committee boat marking the starboard end of the line and the outer limit mark marking the port end.

13 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 13.1 Rule 44.1 is changed so that only one turn is required;
- 13.2 A boat that has taken a penalty or retired under rule 31.2 or rule 44.1 shall complete an acknowledgement form and deliver it to the beach officer within the protest time limit;
- 13.3 As provided in rule 67, the protest committee may penalise a boat that has broken rule 42, without a hearing.

14 TIME LIMIT

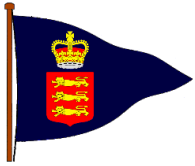
- 14.1 Time limits and target times, in minutes, are as follows:

Classes	Target race time limit	First mark time limit	1 st boat's target time to finish
1, 2 & 3	40	20	30

- 14.2 If no boat has passed the first mark within the first mark time limit the race will be abandoned;
- 14.3 A boat failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat in its class sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF). This changes rules 35 and A4.

15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1 Protest forms are available in 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 boat protesting another boat shall follow rule 61.1(a) with the following modification: The World Sailing requirement for under 6 metre boats will apply to all classes. This changes rule 61.1(a)(2);
- 15.6 Breaches of instructions 10.5, 13.2, 17 and 18.2 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification.



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16 SCORING

- 16.1 When fewer than six races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores;
- 16.2 When six races have been completed, a boat's series score shall 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. After racing, all boats shall check-out with the beach officer;
- 17.2 Boats shall close with the race committee boat for identification purposes before racing;
- 17.3 Any boat retiring from a race must notify the race committee boat, a patrol boat or the beach officer as soon as possible.

18 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT - substitution of crew will not be allowed except with the prior approval of the race committee.

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.

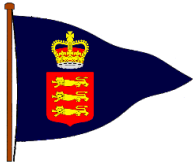
21 SUPPORT BOATS - patrol boats will be in attendance for mark-laying purposes and to render assistance if required.

22 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 22.1 The race committee boat will maintain a listening watch on VHF channel 6. The race committee may, at its own discretion, announce course numbers and/or provide a count down from the warning signal. Failure to receive any such message shall not provide grounds for redress against the race committee;
- 22.2 Except in an 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 and all forms of personal communication device.

23 PRIZES

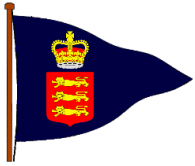
- 23.1 Place prizes will be awarded in each Class, as follows
 - 2 entries – first prize only
 - 3 entries – first and second prizes only
 - 4 or more entries – first, second and third prizes only;
- 23.2 Place prizes will also be awarded in the Hobie 16 B fleet (sailing in Class 2), as above;
- 23.3 Special prizes will be awarded for the following best performances:
 - Hobie 16 Master (helm 45 years or more on 31st December 2017, crew open)
 - Hobie 16 Grand Master (helm 55 years or more on 31st December 2017, crew open)
 - Hobie 16 Youth (helm & crew no older than 21 years on 31st December 2017))
 - Hobie 16 Ladies.



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- 24 RISK STATEMENT** – Rule 4 of the *Racing Rules of Sailing* states: ‘The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue is hers alone’. 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:
- 24.1 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;
 - 24.2 They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
 - 24.3 They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
 - 24.4 Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
 - 24.5 The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
 - 24.6 The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
 - 24.7 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;
 - 24.8 They shall not hold the Royal Channel Islands Yacht Club, any of the event organisers or event sponsors, the race management team, the patrol boat and/or any of the officials, staff or representatives of the aforesaid responsible for any loss, injury or damage suffered.
- Note For the purposes of this statement, “competitor” means any person taking part in the event and the person who signs the entry form does so on his/her behalf and on behalf of all competitors on his/her boat.
- 25 INSURANCE** - each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 (three million pounds sterling), to include racing, throughout the event.

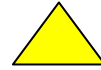
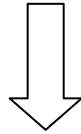


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Appendix A

Wind

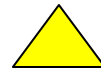


Mark A1
H18



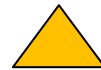
Mark A2
H16

Mark B



Mark A3
Dragoon

Mark G1



Mark G2

Course Nr	Sequence										Description
1.	(S)	A	G	(F)							WL
2.	(S)	A	G	A	G	(F)					2WL
3.	(S)	A	G	A	G	A	G	(F)			3WL
4.	(S)	A	B	G	(F)						TRI
5.	(S)	A	B	G	A	B	G	(F)			2TRI
6.	(S)	A	G	A	B	G	(F)				WL-TRI
7.	(S)	A	B	G	A	G	(F)				TRI-WL
8.	(S)	A	B	G	A	G	A	B	G	(F)	TR-WL-TRI
9.	(S)	A	G	A	B	G	A	G	(F)		WL-TRI-WL

Note: For Class 1 – A = A1; For Class 2 – A = A2; For Class 3 – A = A3

