THE POOLE YACHT CLUB DINGHY REGATTA

Saturday 2nd July 2022

The Organizing Authority is The Poole Yacht Club (TPYC)

The Regatta will be held in Poole Harbour (The Top Triangle)

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS – Regatta Main Course

1. **RULES**
   1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
   1.2. The prescriptions of the RYA and the Sailing Instructions for the event shall apply.
   1.3. The prescriptions of the Poole Yacht Club Notice of Race (NoR) and Sailing Instructions 2022 shall apply to this event.
   1.4. Poole Harbour Byelaws shall be complied with at all times.
      https://www.phc.co.uk/notices_bylaws.html
   1.5. Poole Harbour Commissioners Yacht Racing Criteria shall be complied with at all times. https://www.phc.co.uk/leisure_yacht.html
   1.6. Where there is a conflict between these Sailing Instructions and the NoR, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail.

2. **NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**
   2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located near the entrance to the Sailing/Race Office.

3. **CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**
   3.1. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board at least 1 hour before the warning signal of the race or races affected, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 20:00hrs on the day before it will take effect.

4. **SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**
   4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the club flagstaff of Poole Yacht Club and any written notices will be displayed on the Official Notice Board near the Sailing Office.
   4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP.

5. **SCHEDULE OF RACES**
   5.1. **Competitor Briefing**
      There will be a briefing for competitors on the patio area on the south side of the clubhouse on Saturday 2 July at 09:15.

5.2. **Dates and Times of racing**

Number of races to be raced may vary, class by class. Details will be given at The Competitor Briefing, see below:

Day & Date	Races scheduled	1st Warning Signal (earliest)	Notes
Sat 2 July	1, 2, 3, 4	10.25	**Maximum 4 races. Races may be started back-to-back after race 1. If conditions and time allows, the intention is for the fleets to come in for lunch after 2 races.**

5.3. To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the Main Course starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.

5.4. On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 14.55 hrs.

6. **CLASS FLAGS & Starting Sequence**

Class flags will be as shown in the following table. In the event additional Classes are created (e.g. due to numbers), the Class Flag will be advised at the Competitors Briefing. In the event classes are combined (e.g. due to entry numbers) competitors will be advised at the Competitor Briefing.

Main Course / Start Sequence	
Class	Flag
1) Asymmetric Handicap	Pennant 6
2) Fast Handicap	Pennant 7
3) Osprey	Naval Numeral "zero"
4) GP 14	Flag 'G'

5) YW Dayboat	Flag 'D'
6) 420	Flag 'T'
7) Hobie 16	Flag 'J'
8) Medium Handicap	Pennant 8

7. RACING AREAS
7.1. Attachment B shows the location of racing areas in the Top Triangle.

8. THE COURSES
8.1. The diagram in Attachment A as described below shows the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be rounded. The Organising Authority may use other marks and buoys as Race Marks and the Poole YC Race Hut may be used for starts and finishes as conditions require. Details will be given at the Competitor Briefing and details will be displayed on the Event Notice Board.

8.2. No later than the warning signal, the Committee Boat may display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

8.3. No later than the warning signal, Committee Boat will display the letters and numbers signalling the course and number of laps to be sailed as shown in Addendum A.

8.4. **Main Course -** The Committee Boat will be identified by a Blue Flag displayed from a staff.

9. MARKS
9.1. Main Course Marks will be Blue Inflatable marks for the large course and Orange or Blue inflatable marks for the smaller course (Attachment A)

9.2. Starting and Finishing Marks are described in SI 11 and SI 12.

10. AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS
10.1.   The area to the East of a line extending North from Race Mark "Cakes" to the Ferry terminal and North of a line extending East from "Cakes" is a 'Prohibited Zone'.

11. THE START

11.1.   Races will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.

11.2.   The start will be between a staff on the Race Committee Boat displaying a blue flag and the ODM (dan buoy) displaying an orange flag.

11.3.   Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.

11.4.   A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4.

12. THE FINISH

12.1.   The finishing line will be between a staff on the Race Committee boat displaying a blue flag and a dan buoy displaying a blue flag.

13. SHORTEN COURSE

13.1.   The course may be shortened by the CB at the Finishing Line. In this event the CB will display flag S with two sound signals as the lead boat approaces mark 3. All boats shall then complete the lap they are sailing and after passing mark 3 to port proceed to the Finish defined in SI 12.1. This change is additional to RRS 32.2 and is an addition to Race signals.

14. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

14.1.   Time limits and target times are as follows:

Class	Time Limit	Mark 1 time limit	Target time
All Classes	70 minutes	20 minutes	40 minutes

If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

14.2.   Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

15. OUTSIDE HELP

15.1.   The act of recovering a crew member from the water by another boat (racing or not) is allowed under rule 41, Outside Help. The boat will not normally be protested or penalised under the last sentence of this rule unless she has made significant progress in the race before the crew member is returned on board. However, when a boat may have gained a significant advantage as a result of help received, the race or protest committee may protest her. Any penalty is at the discretion of the protest committee. The protest committee will not penalise actions based solely on safety considerations.

15.2.   If a boat capsizes and the mast gets stuck in the mud or because of the crews weight cannot right a capsized boat without help, the help should be

given as soon as possible. The boat will not be protested under rule 41 and no penalty will be imposed on her.

15.3.   See the special instruction on the Official Notice Board for further actions that are allowable under rule 41.

16. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

16.1.   Protest forms are available at the Sailing Office or on the Official Notice Board. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the Protest Time Limit. Please make sure they are handed to a race committee official.

16.2.   For each class, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.

16.3.   Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located in the Academy, beginning at the time posted.

17. SCORING

17.1.   The RRS Appendix A2 and A4 low points scoring system will apply. Four races are scheduled, with a minimum of 1 race to constitute a series.

17.2.   When fewer than 3 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

17.3.   When 3 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

18. SAFETY REGULATIONS

18.1.   **Dinghies**

All competitors shall wear a personal flotation device when afloat, except briefly when changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wet suits and dry suits are not considered personal flotation devices. This changes rule 40 and the preamble to Part 4.

18.2.   **Safety Tally System**

A Safety Tally Number will be allocated to each boat when Registering. The Tally Board will be situated near the Official Notice Board or at the top of the slipway / beach access. Each competitor intending to race shall contact the Tallymaster who will issue them with a rubber wrist band bearing their tally number which must be worn at all times whilst afloat. Immediately on reaching shore each competitor shall report to the Beachmaster and surrender their wrist band.

18.3.   A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

19. REPLACEMENT OF CREW

Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.
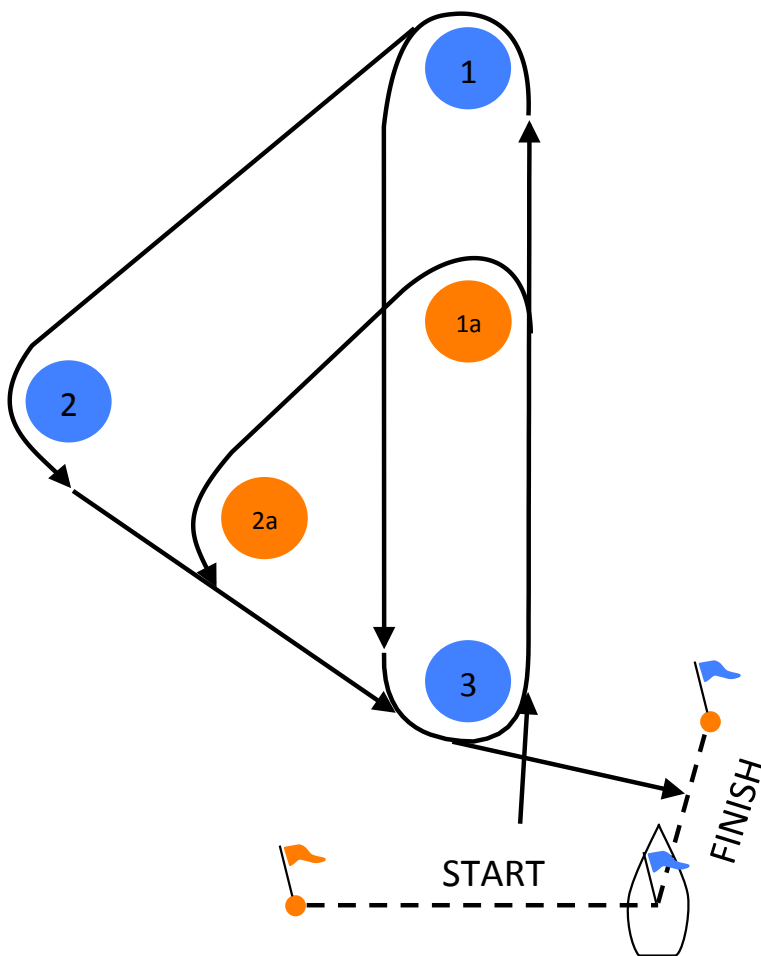
20. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded in the Club House as soon as possible after racing has finished on Sunday.

21. Tides (Poole Harbour)

Saturday 2 July: HW 12:06 (1.9m) LW 19:20 (1.1m)

ATTACHMENT A – Main Course

1) All marks of the course shall be left to **PORT**.

2) LAPS =   L2: START –1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 3 – FINISH

           S2: START – 1a – 2a – 3 – 1a – 3 – FINISH

3) LAPS =   L3: START –1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 3 – 1 – 2 – 3 – FINISH

           S3: START – 1a – 2a – 3 – 1a – 3 – 1a – 2a – 3 – FINISH

4) LAPS =   L4: START –1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 3 – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 3 – FINISH

           S4: START – 1a – 2a – 3 – 1a – 3 – 1a – 2a – 3 – 1a 3 – FINISH

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Attachment B - Race Area

POOLE Yacht Club Racing Marks

Putting sailing at the heart of what we do

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