

**Supplementary SAILING INSTRUCTIONS FOR CLUB RACING
Sunday Autumn series from 2nd August to 25th October 2020.**

1. Rules

- 1.1** Before competing, each helm must enter by using the Grafham Water Sailing Club WebCollect facility.
- 1.2** The fundamental rule on safety includes the UK government guidance on social distancing. A two metre separation is required between all boats at all times. Failure to comply is subject to protest.
- 1.3** Qualification: Competitors are required to volunteer and complete at least of a Race Officer and / or support team of ARO and / or a RIB duty. Please register via DutyMan

5. Schedule of Races:

Starts will be at **two**-minute intervals (see S.S.I.11 and Appendix 2a). This changes RRS Rule 26 - Starting Races. The order, composition and start times are:

	Start numeral	Class	Warning Signal, Race 1	Warning Signal, Race 2	Warning Signal Race 3
Start 1	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • multihull boats • All-comers handicap fast (1000 or lower) • Asymmetric mono hull boats (handicap 1110 or lower) 	10:57	Back-to-back with Race 1	Back-to-back with Race 2
Start 2	5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FF15 • Slow two-handed club handicap 1001 and above together with asymmetric mono hull boats with a Club handicap of 1100 and above 	10:59		
Start 3	7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • D-Zero • All-comers slow single-handed handicap (1001 or above) 	11:01		
Start 4	9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Laser 	11:03		

8. Course and Course Instructions

- 8.1** The Race Committee boat will be stationed upwind of the leeward mark. It will remain in this position for the duration of the race.
- 8.2** Indicator boards will show the initial letters of course marks. 'Special' or temporary course marks are shown as a white disc. The background colour of the boards indicates whether marks are to be left to port (red) or starboard (green).
- 8.3** On all courses, the Windward Mark shall be left to port.
- 8.4** Boats which fail to start or finish correctly or to sail the course as set and thus fail to comply with RRS28 may be disqualified without protest or a hearing.
- 8.5** Boats shall sail the course displayed on the committee boat - see appendix 1 and 3.
- 8.6 D Zero, FF15 (including slow double handed handicap boats) and Laser** Classes shall sail the course on the Port side of the committee boat.
 - 8.6.1** The symbol 'TS', displayed with 3 course boards on the Port side of the Committee boat, indicates that a Triangle/sausage shaped course is to be sailed. An alternative 'ST' displayed will signify a sausage/triangle course. See Appendix 1 for order of rounding marks.
 - 8.6.2** Boats must pass through the upwind gate formed by the committee boat and the finishing mark on each lap. Boats that fail to pass through the upwind gate will not be disqualified but will be credited only with the number of laps they have sailed correctly. The Race Committee shall record the finishing time or place as appropriate as well as noting the disqualification. Boats may apply for redress if they believe an error has been made. This changes RRS63.1

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- 8.6.3 The upwind gate and the finish line will be between the mast of the Committee boat displaying an orange flag and a Dan buoy carrying an orange flag.
- 8.6.4 Boats shall not sail through the Start/Finish line on the way to a leeward course mark. The Start / Finish line and the upwind gate shall be treated as an obstruction to boats sailing to the leeward course mark.
- 8.7 Fast handicap** boats sail the course on the Starboard side of the committee boat
- 8.7.1 Boats must pass through the upwind gate formed by the committee boat and the finishing mark on each lap. Boats that fail to pass through the upwind gate will not be disqualified but will be credited only with the number of laps they have sailed correctly. The Race Committee shall record the finishing time or place as appropriate as well as noting the disqualification. Boats may apply for redress if they believe an error has been made. This changes RRS63.1
- 8.8 Asymmetric mono hull** boats (handicap 1110 or lower) sail an upwind / downwind course S.S.I. 8.12, Figure 1
- 8.9 Catamarans:** for the upwind / downwind course option see S.S.I. 8.12, Fig.1
- 8.10 Catamarans with asymmetric spinnaker or without a spinnaker** sail the course on the Starboard side of the committee boat.
- 8.10.1 Boats must pass through the upwind gate formed by the committee boat and the finishing mark on every lap. Boats that fail to pass through the upwind gate will not be disqualified but will be credited only with the number of laps they have sailed correctly. The Race Committee shall record the finishing time or place as appropriate as well as noting the disqualification. Boats may apply for redress if they believe an error has been made. This changes RRS63.1
- 8.10.2 Boats shall not sail through the Start/Finish line on the way to a leeward course mark. The Start / Finish line and the upwind gate shall be treated as an obstruction to boats sailing to the leeward course mark.
- 8.11 Slow handicap single handed boats** sail the course on the Starboard side of the committee boat.
- 8.12 Upwind / Downwind courses:**

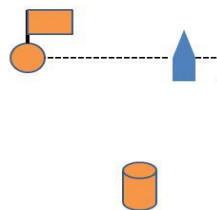


Figure 1

- 8.12.1 Mark 1 will normally be an additional **outer windward mark**. The Race Committee may specify Mark 1 to be the Windward mark displayed on the starboard side of the committee boat.
- 8.12.2 When an outer windward mark is in use, this will be indicated by the Committee Boat displaying Flag 'W' throughout the start sequences and for the duration of the race.
- 8.12.3** Asymmetric boats shall sail upwind/downwind courses noting the downwind gate is substituted by the leeward course mark.

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- 8.12.4 The Start / Finish line and the upwind gate shall be treated as an obstruction to boats sailing to the leeward course mark.
- 8.12.5 Boats that fail to pass through the upwind gate will not be disqualified but will be credited only with the number of laps they have sailed correctly. The Race Committee shall record the finishing time or place as appropriate as well as noting the disqualification. Boats may apply for redress if they believe an error has been made. This changes RRS 63.1.
- 8.12.6 The windward-leeward course to be sailed will NOT be listed on the Committee Boat.

9. Marks

- 9.1 The approximate position of Club marks is shown on the Club course card.
- 9.2 'Special' marks as mentioned in **Course and Course Instructions**, S.S.I. 8, will be either Dan buoys (displaying flags) or plain yellow or orange inflatable marks, EXCEPT for marks to be rounded exclusively by boats sailing windward-leeward courses, which will be distinguished by a chequered band or flag.

10. Areas that are obstructions

- 10.1 The Start / Finish line and the upwind gate on the port side of the committee boat shall be treated as an obstruction to boats sailing to the leeward course mark.
- 10.2 The prohibited area at the west end of the water, whose boundary is a line of buoys forming its eastern boundary.
- 10.3 Any boat actively fishing and an area extending 20 metres in any direction from it.
- 10.4 A safety boat in close attendance to a small craft or competitor in difficulty.

11. The start

For all starts

- a. The starting line will be between the mast on the Committee boat flying an orange flag and a Dan buoy carrying an orange flag.
- b. To alert boats that a race will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with multiple sound signals at least one minute before a warning signal is made.
- c. Races will be started by displaying numeral boards with classes starting at **2** minute intervals. This modifies RRS 26. Details of the start sequence and signals are shown in Appendix 2a.
- d. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- e. A boat starting later than **2** minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS A4.
- f. Individual recalls will be signalled by displaying Flag X in accordance with RRS 29.1, except that the flag shall be removed no later than one minute after the starting signal.
- g. A General Recall will be signalled by displaying the "First substitute" for a period of one minute.
- h. A recalled start shall start 2 minutes after the last scheduled start of that race – this modifies RRS 29.2.
- i. RRS 30.4 will apply to all recalled starts except that the Black flag shall not be displayed.
- j. In the event of a General Recall on a previously recalled start the restart will be 2 minutes after the last (or recalled) start. This modifies RRS 29.2.
- k. In the event of a postponement after the Preparatory Signal by displaying pennant AP, the numeral board is removed for re-use. The sequence will be restarted one minute after the removal of AP by re-displaying the numeral board and resuming the one minute sequence. This modifies the interpretation of Race Signal AP in the Racing Rules of Sailing.

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13 The Finish

- 13.1** Boats with a Club handicap >1199, will sail one lap only. They will finish at the end of their first lap without the flag 'S' being displayed and their time recorded.
- 13.2** The remaining boats will finish after approximately 45 minutes (or at the Race Officer's discretion) Flag 'S' plus two sound signals will signify that the race is to be finished.
- 13.3** Each boat will be finished as it passes through the 'gate' to complete the lap that it is sailing when the race is shortened.
- 13.4** In handicap fleets, the number of completed laps and the total elapsed time will be recorded. The time, averaged by lap for each boat and corrected using the agreed Club handicap number, determines the overall result.
- 13.5** Race results for the D Zero Class and Laser Classes will be determined by finishing positions when the leading boat in each start crosses the finish line after the race has been shortened, recognising the number of laps completed.
- 13.6** The finish line will be between the mast of the Committee boat flying an orange flag and the 'gate' as described in S.S.I. 8.6.3.
- 13.7** After finishing, boats shall keep clear of both finishing gates and of all boats that are continuing to race.



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APPENDIX 1

Triangle/sausage (TS)

A triangular course with one side in a windward direction.

Marks may be pillar buoys or Dan buoys

Marks shall be rounded as follows -

- 0 Start Gate
- 1 Windward
- 2 Reaching
- 3 Leeward
- 4 Start Gate
- 5 Windward
- 6 Leeward
- 7 Start gate

Marks 0-7 constitute 1 lap. Repeat marks 1 - 7 until finishing signal is made from Committee boat. Boats may be finished when passing through the start gate after rounding either Mark 3 or Mark 6.

CLUB marks may also be used to signify a " Triangle/sausage " course, e.g. R,W,C, - TS. R = **windward**, W = **reaching**, C = **leeward**.

Alternatively the course could be indicated by displaying R,W,C,R,C.

Sausage / Triangle ST

A triangular course with one side in a windward direction.

Marks may be pillar buoys or Dan buoys

Marks shall be rounded as follows -

- 0 Start Gate
- 1 Windward
- 2 Leeward
- 3 Start Gate
- 4 Windward
- 5 Reaching
- 6 Leeward
- 7 Start gate

Marks 0-7 constitute 1 lap. Repeat marks 1 - 7 until finishing signal is made from Committee boat. Boats may be finished when passing through the start gate after rounding either Mark 2 or Mark 6.

CLUB marks may also be used to signify a " sausage/triangle " course, e.g. R,C,W - ST. R = **windward**, C = **leeward**, W = **reaching**.

Alternatively the course could be indicated by displaying R,C,R,W,C



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APPENDIX 2a - STARTING SIGNALS USING Numeral Boards (Manual or Electronic)

This system describes the starting procedure mentioned in SI 11.

Numbers displayed on boards on the committee boat shall be changed with a sound signal every minute beginning with the numeral **0**.

Times shall be taken from the visual signals; the absence of a sound signal shall be disregarded.

Display	Start Sequences									
	1		2		3		4		First recall	
	Means	Time to Start (min)	Means	Time to Start (min)	Mean Use course on PORT side of Committee boats	Time to Start (min)	Means	Time to Start (min)	Means	Time to Start (min)
0	Warning Signal	3								
1	Prep Signal	2								
2	Minute signal	1	Warning Signal	3						
3	Start	0	Prep Signal	2						
4			Minute signal	1	Warning Signal	3				
5			Start	0	Prep Signal	2				
6					Minute signal	1	Warning Signal	3		
7					Start	0	Prep Signal	2		
8							Minute signal	1		
9							Start	0	Prep Signal	2
10									Minute signal	1
11									Start	0



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Appendix 3

SUMMARY OF COURSES TO BE SAILED

START	COURSE
Start 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• multihull boats• All-comers handicap fast (1000 or lower)• Asymmetric mono hull boats (handicap 1110 or lower)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use course on STARBOARD side of Committee Boat• Asymmetric spinnaker Catamarans will sail Windward / Leeward course• Asymmetric mono hull boats Windward / leeward
Start 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• FF15 and Slow two-handed club handicap 1001 and above together with asymmetric mono hull boats with a Club handicap of 1100 and above	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use course on PORT side of Committee boat
Start 3 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• D-Zero	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use course on PORT side of Committee boat
Start 3 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Slow single-handed club handicap 1001 and above	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use course on STARBOARD side of Committee boat
Start 4 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Laser	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use course on PORT side of Committee boat