

Llandudno Open Event 2018
Llandudno Sailing Club
28th & 29 April 2018

Organised By
Llandudno Sailing Club

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The notation [DP] in a rule in the si means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1 RULES

1.1 The Championships 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 in the training room ground floor of the Clubhouse.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions (S.I.'s) will be posted by 1 hours before the first warning signal on the day it will take effect, on the official Notice Board 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 at the head of the slipway.

4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP.

4.3 Flag D with one sound means "Boats shall not launch until this signal is made" [DP]

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 Dates of racing: Saturday 28th and Sunday 29th April

5.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first Points race of each day is

Race	Date	Warning Signal	Time of High Tide
Points Race 1,2,3	April 28th	11.25 hrs	10:40
Points Race 4,5,6	April 29th	10.25 hrs	11:20

The second and subsequent races on each day will be held back to back with the first and previous races.

5.3 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, an Orange flag will be displayed with one sound signal at least Five minutes before the warning signal is displayed.

5.4 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 14.00 hrs.

5.5 There will be a competitors briefing at 10.00 hrs on Saturday 28th in the Clubhouse.

6 CLASS FLAGS

5.1 Solution: The warning signal will be the Solution Class flag unless otherwise indicated at the briefing.

5.2 Scorpion: The warning signal will be the Scorpion Class flag if available or IC Flag S.

5.3 Hornet: The warning signal will be the Hornet Class flag if available or IC Flag H.

7 RACING AREAS

The racing area will be the waters of Llandudno Bay.

8 THE COURSES

- 8.1 The diagrams in Attachment A show the courses, the order in which the marks should be passed and the side each mark to be left.
- 8.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat may display the approximate course to be sailed and may display the compass bearing of the first leg.

9 MARKS

- 9.1 The course marks 1 & 2 will be – yellow inflatable pillar marks
- 9.2 The course marks 3 & 4 will be – dan bouys with red(3) and green(4) flags
- 9.3 The starting mark – white dan bouy
- 9.4 The finishing mark – dan bouy with blue flag

10 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

- 10.1 At mid/low tide it is advisable not to pass between the green Starboard Lateral, to the right of the slipway, and the shore.

11. THE START

- 11.1 **Line Start:-** The starting line will be between the mast of the committee boat displaying an orange flag at the starboard end and dan buoy with an orange flag at the port end.
- 11.2 The fleet start sequence will be Solutions, Scorpion & then Hornets for all races except where a fleet general recall Occurs where this fleet shall go to the back of the sequence. 1st Substitute will be removed before the next class goes into sequence this changes RRS 29.2 and race signals.
- 11.3 The raising of the Class Flag for the second and subsequent fleet shall be concurrent with the 'go' signal for the current fleet.

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark.

13 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between the Committee Boat flying a blue flag and a dan buoy flying a blue flag.

At the discretion of the Race Officer, boats that are expected to finish the full course outside the time limit may finish at another mark. In this case an official boat will display flag W with two sounds, boats which have not rounded the nearby mark shall finish between this mark and the mast on the committee boat displaying flag W.

When a boat finishes in accordance with this instruction at the Flag W mark, she shall be given a finishing place after all boats which complete more legs of the course and then finish.

Boats which are lapped can be finished with the lead boat and awarded position at the discretion of the race officer.

14 TIME LIMITS

- 14.1 Time limits are as follows: For each race 90 minutes.
- 14.2 Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.
- 14.3 If no boat has passed Mark 1 within 30 minutes the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes Rule 62.1(a)

15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1 Protest forms are available at the Race Office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the Race Office in the clubhouse within the appropriate time limit.
- 15.2 For each class, the protest time limit is 30 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 and where the hearings will be held.
- 16.4 Notices of protest by the race committee, technical committee, or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 16.5 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.

17 SCORING

- 17.1 The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply.
- 17.2 If 6 races are sailed, a boats series score will be her 4 best scores. If 5 races are sailed, a boats series score will be her 4 best scores. If 4 or less races are sailed, a boats series score will comprise of all the races sailed.

18 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 18.1 Tally System – The Personal Identification Tally Number will be written on a Tally wrist band. The helm/crew must tally out by taking his /her Tally wrist band with him / her afloat visibly displayed on his / her wrist. Tallies can only be taken when released by the Beach Master. Tallies must be returned to the tally board immediately when coming ashore and not later than 10 minutes of the last boat coming ashore. The crew of a boat that does not intend to finish shall make every effort to notify the Committee Boat, a Safety Boat or a Mark Boat of his / her intentions. The crew of any boat retiring from a race and coming ashore should report to the Beach Master as soon as possible. It is the sole responsibility of the helm/crew to ensure that they have tallied correctly. Failure to comply with this Sailing Instruction will result in disqualification without a hearing and or a fine of £20 payable to the local branch of the RNLI, at the sole discretion of the Race Committee. This alters RRS 63.
- 18.3 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.[DP]

19. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

A boat may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions.

20. ENVIRONMENTAL

Rubbish may be placed on support and official boats.

21 OFFICIAL BOATS

The official boats will be described on the Official Notice Board before the first race.

22 SUPPORT BOATS

Support boats are not allowed.

23 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.

24 PRIZES

- 24.1 Prizes will be awarded by the respective Class Associations.

25 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Risk Statement RRS Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing 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:

- a) 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;
- b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omission;
- d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- e) 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;
- f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
- g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with 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.

26 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3million per event or the equivalent.