



ROYAL CHANNEL ISLANDS YACHT CLUB



30TH CHANNEL ISLANDS HOBIE CAT CHAMPIONSHIPS

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Saturday 31st July & Sunday 1st August 2021

Sailing Instructions (SIs)

Organising Authority (OA): Royal Channel Islands YC (RCIYC)

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by:
 - 1.1.1 The rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*;
 - 1.1.2 The International Hobie Cat Association Class Rules.

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0800 hours on the day it will take effect and, also, repeated in the pre-event briefing. Any change to the race schedule will be posted by 2000 hours on the day before it will take effect.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on www.rciyc.je/sailing;
- 3.2 The race office is located at the RCIYC, tel. 745783, e-mail: office@rciyc.je.

4 CODE OF CONDUCT

Competitors shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

5 SIGNALS

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the Gun Site Hobie Cat base;
- 5.2 Class flags as displayed (Class warning signals) by the race committee boat:
 - Class 1 – Light blue
 - Class 2 – Green
 - Class 3 – Orange

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1 Six races are scheduled over the two days; the number of races on either day shall not exceed four;
- 6.2 The scheduled time of the first warning signal on:
Saturday is 0955 hours
Sunday is 1025 hours
- 6.3 No warning signal will be made after 1630 hours on Sunday.

7 RACING AREA

The racing area will be within St Aubin's Bay.

8 COURSES

- 8.1 Courses will be as indicated in Appendix A;
- 8.2 The course number will be displayed on the race committee boat no later than the warning signal;
- 8.3 Marks A1, A2, A3 and B shall be rounded to port. Marks G1 and G2 form a gate to be rounded either to port or starboard.

9 MARKS

- 9.1 Marks A1, A3 and B and will be yellow pyramid buoys. Mark A2 will be an orange cylindrical 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 cylindrical buoy;
- 9.2 New marks, as provided in SI 11, will differ from the original mark.

10 THE START

- 10.1 Races will be started using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 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 at the port end;
- 10.3 When 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;
- 10.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races [DP];
- 10.4 A boat that does not start within five minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start, without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

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.

12 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a mast or staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee boat marking the starboard end of the line and the outer limit mark marking the port end.

13 PENALTIES

- 13.1 For all classes, RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 13.2 A boat that has taken a penalty or retired under RRS 31.2 or RRS 44.1 shall complete an acknowledgement statement and deliver it to the beach officer within the protest time limit;
- 13.3 As provided in RRS 67, the protest committee may penalise a boat that has broken RRS 42, without a hearing.

14 TIME LIMITS

- 14.1 In any race, if no boat has passed the first mark within 20 minutes from the start, the race will be abandoned;
- 14.2 Boats failing to finish within twenty minutes after the first boat in their class sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF).

15 HEARING REQUESTS

- 15.1 For each class, the protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat in the class finishes the last race of the day or the race committee signals 'no more racing today', whichever is later. The protest time limit will be posted on the official notice board;
- 15.2 Hearing request forms are available in hard copy from the RCIYC and www.rciyc.je/sailing;
- 15.3 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 RCIYC, as soon as possible;
- 15.4 A list of boats that have been penalised for breaking RRS 42 under Appendix P will be posted on the official notice board;
- 15.5 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).

16 SCORING

- 16.1 When fewer than six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores;
- 16.2 When six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

17 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 17.1 Prior to launching, boats shall tally in and, on completion of racing, tally out with the beach officer;
- 17.2 For identification purposes, boats should sail in the vicinity of the race committee boat before racing;
- 17.3 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

18 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, notice of race and sailing instructions.

19 OFFICIAL VESSELS -

- 19.1 The race committee boat will display a yellow flag (Q);
- 19.2 Guard boats will be in attendance for mark-laying purposes and to render assistance if required (RRS 41- Outside Help applies).

20 TRASH DISPOSAL

- 20.1 The penalty for depositing trash in the sea may be less than disqualification [DP];
- 20.2 Trash may be placed aboard official vessels.

21 PRIZES

- 21.1 Prize-giving – 1830 hours Sunday 4th August;
- 21.2 Place prizes will be awarded in each class, as follows:
 - Two entries – first prize only;
 - Three entries – first and second prizes only;
 - Four or more entries – first, second and third prizes only.

Special prizes will be awarded for the following best performances:

- Hobie 16 Master (helm 45 years or more on 4th July, crew open)
- Hobie 16 Grand Master (helm 55 years or more on 4th July, crew open)
- Hobie 16 Youth (helm no older than 21 years on 4th July, crew open)
- Hobie 16 Women (Woman helm, crew open)

22 RISK STATEMENT

RRS3 states that 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:

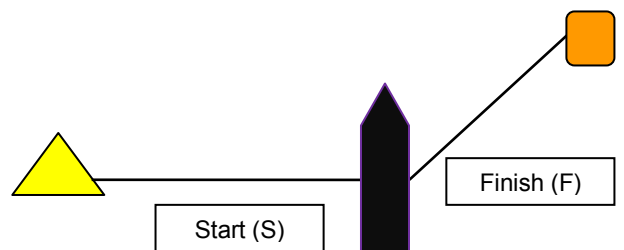
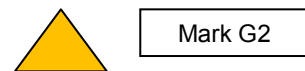
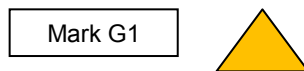
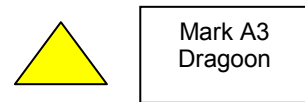
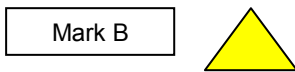
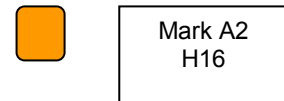
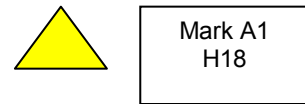
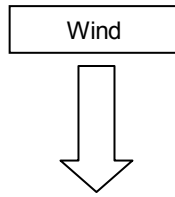
- 22.1 They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;

- 22.2 They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- 22.3 They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- 22.4 Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- 22.5 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;
- 22.6 The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
- 22.7 It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to the 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.

23 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with current third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 (three million pounds sterling) per incident, including racing.

Appendix A



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