

Silver Wing Sailing Club - OPEN MEETING SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Rules

All Races will be governed by the ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024, by the interpretations of the RYA and by the rules of the relevant Class Association; except as amended by these Sailing Instructions

2. Insurance

All boats sailed at Silver Wing Sailing Club shall be insured, with a minimum third party of £3 Million

3. Signals

Signals made ashore will be made from the flagpole.

Signals made afloat will be made from the committee boat.

4. Notices

Will be posted in the clubhouse or on the blackboard adjacent to the sail shed.

5. Changes to SIs

Any changes will be communicated in the competitor's briefing.

6. Portsmouth Yardstick

Any handicap racing will be carried out using the RYA Portsmouth Yardstick system.

Local adjustments will be made where the sailing committee see fit.

A list of numbers used for boats commonly sailed at Silverwing SC is displayed on the results noticeboard. A boat not on the list will use the published RYA handicap.

7. Course

a) Will be displayed on the course board (blackboard) adjacent to the sail shed.

b) The marks to be rounded will be repeated using colored numbers hung on the back of the committee boat.

The color of the number reflects the rounding direction of the mark.

c) The racing marks are detailed in their approximate positions on the blackboard.

d) Even numbered marks are colored WHITE. Odd numbered marks are colored RED. Lettered marks are colored YELLOW.

e) The above marks may be moved by the committee as wind conditions dictate.

f) The committee may also lay temporary marks as they see fit. These are small round marks with a flagstaff on them.

g) The committee may also use the committee boat mooring buoy "CB" as a mark of the course. This cannot be moved.

8. Change of Course Before the start

If the committee is on the water and needs to change the course before the start signal of the race they may do the following:

a) Signal a postponement IAW Rule 27.3

b) Hoist code flag L (come within hailing distance) with one sound signal.

c) Display the marks of the new course on the rack of numbers attached to the back of the committee boat. This then takes precedence over that displayed on the course board.

d) When satisfied all boats have been informed they will re-commence the start sequence.

9. Start Line

The start line will be as displayed on the course board.

The start line will be an imaginary line between the orange and white striped pole on the committee boat and any of the above marks. The committee boat may be anchored or tied to the island or any jetty.

An orange 'on station' flag will not be displayed.

10. Starting Sequence:

The starting sequence will be in accordance with rule 26.

The Warning Flag(s) for the class (or classes) will be detailed on the day.

For an event with multiple classes the scheduled start sequence will be detailed on the day.

11. Recalls

Recalls shall be in accordance with Rule 29.

In the event of a General Recall the committee may impose starting penalties IAW Rule 30.1 – I Flag Rule

Rule 30.2 – Z Flag Rule

or Rule 30.4 – Black Flag Rule.

Rule 30.3 – U Flag Rule - TBD

In the event of a General Recall in a sequence of starts the new start shall be as soon as possible after any subsequent starts in that sequence. This changes Rule 29.2. If more than one class has a general recall, new starts will be in race schedule sequence.

12. Finish line.

Will be an imaginary line between the orange and white striped pole on the committee boat and any of the above marks. The committee boat may be anchored or tied to the island or any jetty.

The finish line will be displayed on the course board.

A blue flag will not be displayed.

13. Shorten Course

The race committee may shorten course IAW Rule 32.

14. Time Limit

A time limit may be imposed.

15. Signing off

Competitors are not required to sign off.

16. Protests

Protest forms are available from the race committee. The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the last boat has returned ashore after the last race of the day.

17. Scoring

Scoring is detailed in the event Notice of Race..

18. Personal Buoyancy

Personal buoyancy aids must be worn at all times whilst on the jetty and during all racing. (Rule 40.1 shall apply at all times when afloat).

19. Responsibility

The attention of all competitors is drawn to Rule 3 (Decision to Race).

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