



Sailing Instructions

The Series Organiser asks each Host Club to use these Sailing Instructions which follow, incorporating any amendments require to meet local conditions. Any amendment should be notified to the Competitors before the start of the first race.

1 Rules

Each regatta will be governed by the current *Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*, the prescriptions of the RYA and the guidance of the RYA Racing Charter.

2 Entries

Eligible boats will be entered by completing registration with the organising club using a [YHYSA entry form](#). Eligibility requirements for boats and competitors are given in the relevant section of the [Yearbook](#).

3 Notices to Competitors

These will be posted on the Association's Notice Board located in the vicinity of the Host Club House.

4 Changes to Sailing Instructions

Any change to Sailing Instructions will be posted before the scheduled start of the first race of the event at which the change will take effect and must be included in a briefing.

5 Schedule of Races

Each regatta will comprise three races; the scheduled time of the Warning Signal for the first race is 11.00 am. Other races will follow as indicated at each regatta.

6 Class Flag

The Class Flag will be the YHYSA Pennant.

7 Racing Area

The racing area will be at the venue shown in the Series schedule.

8 The Course

The course will be determined by the Host Club and identified at the briefing for the regatta. (A port hand rounding at the first windward mark is preferred, to encourage approach and rounding on starboard.)

9 Starting

9.1 The start line will be determined by the Host Club and described at the regatta briefing.

9.2 Flag Z will not be used. This changes Rules 30.

9.3 A boat starting later than four minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS). This changes Rule A4.

10 Finishing



The finish line will be the same as the start line.

11 Time Limits

11.1 If no boat has passed the first mark of the course within 20 minutes of the start, the race will be abandoned.

11.2 If racing has not commenced by 14.00 hours the regatta will be Cancelled.

12 Protests and Requests for Redress

12.1 The intention to protest must be drawn to the attention of the Race Committee immediately the boat finishes the race in question. This changes Rule 61.

12.2 Protest Forms will be available from the Race Officer.

12.3 A completed protest forms shall be submitted to the Race Committee within 30 minutes of the last finisher coming ashore. Where Races are sailed back-to-back, protests must be submitted with the time limit after the last race.

12.4 Notices of protests by the race committee will be posted to inform boats under Rules 61.1(b).

12.5 Any anomaly between the Notice of Race, these sailing instructions, and local amendments at any regatta will be resolved in accordance with these sailing instructions.

13 Scoring

If three races are sailed the competitor will be allowed one discard. If two or less races are sailed, there will be no discard. The competitors will score the races which give them their best possible result in the regatta.

14 Ties

Ties shall be broken using Appendix A8

15 Safety

A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee in the manner required by the race committee and identified at the regatta briefing.

16 Declarations

Entry to each regatta will constitute a declaration of intention to race. The decision to race rests with the individuals concerned and their parent or guardian. A parent/guardian of competitors under 14 years must remain on site throughout each regatta.

17 Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the regattas entirely at their own risk. See Fundamental Rule 4, Decision to Race. The Yorkshire & Humberside Youth Sailing Association and the Host Clubs will not accept any liability for material damage, or person injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after any regatta.

18 Insurance

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