

North East & Yorkshire Youth Travellers Series 2023

Otley Sailing Club - 3rd June 2023

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 This event is part of the North East and Yorkshire Youth Traveller Series (NEYTTS) and the NEYYTS Notice of Race applies.

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Any changes to the sailing Instructions will be posted at least 30 minutes before the warning signal of the race(s) to which the change applies. For back-to-back races any change will be posted before the first of these races.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board prior to the event, located www.yhysa.org, or, on the day of the event at the Official Notice Board, on the window by the main door of the clubhouse.
- 3.2 The race office is the Training Room, the portacabin beside the club house.
- 3.3 The competitors' briefing will take place at 10am, outside the club house.

4 CODE OF CONDUCT

- 4.1 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.
- 4.2 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall handle any equipment provided by the organizing authority with care, seamanship, in accordance with any instructions for its use and without interfering with its functionality.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the signal mast, next to the race office.
- 5.2 Boats may only launch when Flag D is displayed ashore.
- 5.3 Flag AP displayed ashore, without a numeral pennant means "Racing is postponed indefinitely. Flag D will be displayed to commence launching shortly after AP is removed". This changes race signal AP.
- 5.3 The warning signal will be at the later of the scheduled time or 15 minutes after flag D is displayed, unless at that time the race is postponed again or abandoned.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1

09:00	Club Open for arrivals and registration
10:00	Briefing for Sailors
10:15	Delta displayed
10:25	Warning signal for race 1
<i>The following are for guidance only and may vary considerably. Deviation will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1 (a)</i>	
Immediately following race 1	Warning signal for race 2
12:30	Lunch Ashore
13:30	2 races back-to-back
Post Racing	Prize Giving

6.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race is 10:25.

6.4 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.

6.5 No warning signal will be made after 16:00.

7 CLASS FLAGS AND IDENTIFICATION

7.1 The Handicap Class flag is the OSC pennant (red triangle with white letters).

7.2 Sailors entered in the regatta fleet will be provided with an identification ribbon to clearly identify them on the water. This must be securely tied to the end of the boom.

8 RACING AREA

8.1 The racing area is Weston Water. SI Addendum A shows the location of the racing area.

9 COURSES

9.1 The course to be sailed will be displayed at the course board on the race office.

9.2 Marks to be rounded to port will be displayed on a red background. Marks to be rounded to starboard will be displayed on a green background.

10 MARKS

- 10.1 The fixed club marks are orange spherical buoys numbered 1 to 9 anti-clockwise starting with 1 adjacent to the slipway. The marks to be used will be confirmed on the club noticeboard on the day of the event.

11 OBSTRUCTIONS

11.1 There are no obstructions

12 THE START

12.1 Races will be started using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.

12.2 The starting line will be indicated on the course board, displayed on the race office wall.

12.3 For a committee vessel start: The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel and the course side of the starting mark.

12.4 For a Fixed line start: The starting line is between the flagpole outside the club house and the tree on the island.

12.5 If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to hail her sail number. Failure to hail her number, failure of her to hear such a hail, or the order in which boats are hailed will not be grounds for a redress for request. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

13 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

13.1 The course will not change after the start.

14 THE FINISH

14.1 The finish line will be indicated on the course board.

14.2 For a committee vessel finish, the finishing line is the same as the starting line.

14.3 For a fixed line finish, the finishing line is the same as the start line.

15 NOT USED

16 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

16.1 The time limit for a race is 50 minutes. The target time in minutes for the lead boat on the water is 35 minutes.

16.2 Failure to meet the Target Time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

17 HEARING REQUESTS

17.1 For races held before the lunch break, the protest time limit is 15 minutes after the last boat finished the last race of the morning. For races held after the lunch break, the protest time limit is 15 minutes after the last boat finished the last race of the day.

17.2 Hearing request forms are available from the race office.

17.3 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 protest room, located in the club house.

18 SCORING

- 18.1 Each race at the will be scored based on average lap times. The elapsed time for each boat will be divided by the number of laps sailed by that boat to calculate an average lap time.
- 18.2 The race committee will shorten the course at the finishing line to achieve the target race duration. All boats crossing the finishing line from the direction of the last mark will be finished after the course has been shortened. Thus, the first boat to finish may not be the leading boat on the water.
- 18.4 In order to determine prizes for boats within the regatta fleet, their positions will be taken from their order within the larger fleet, they will not be re-scored excluding boats from other fleets.
- 18.5 (a) When fewer than 3 races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores.
- (b) When 3 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

19 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 19.1 [DP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 19.2 RRS 40.1 applies at all times whilst afloat.

20 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 20.1 [DP] Substitution of competitors is not allowed without prior written approval of the race organising authority.
- 20.2 [DP] Substitution of damaged or lost equipment is not allowed unless authorised in writing by the race organising authority. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity, which may be after the race.

21 NOT USED

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25 TRASH DISPOSAL

- 25.1 Trash may be placed aboard official vessels.

26 NOT USED

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29 PRIZES

29.1 Prizes will be given to the winner of the event and to the winner of the regatta fleet. Other prizes may be given at the discretion of the organisers.

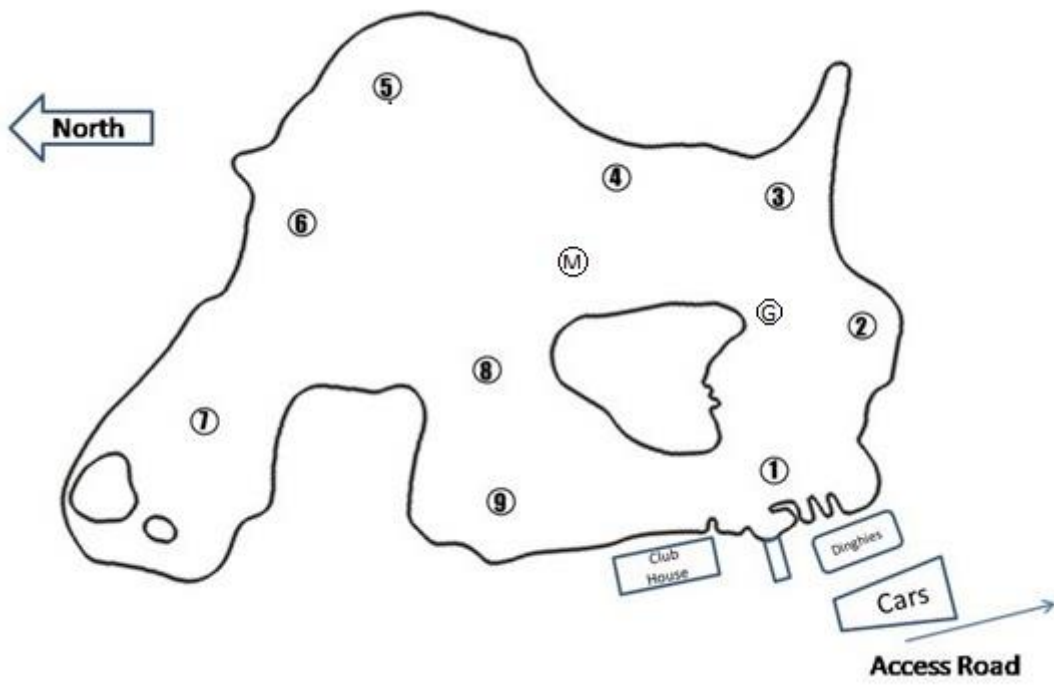
30 RISK STATEMENT

30.1 Rule 3 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 omissions;
- (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 organizer 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 any 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;

SI Addendum A
Map of Sailing Area



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CLUB SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION - Otley Sailing Club

- A. Dogs are not permitted on site.
- B. **How to find us.** Via Google Maps or SatNav: LS21 2SU.
Travelling from Leeds on A660, travel into Otley, proceed down the main street and continue straight on through traffic lights. Follow the road round and take an immediate left after the bridge over the River Wharfe and into what was the cattle market (now an area of concrete with metal fences).
- C. An OSC Marshal will be on duty at the outer gate to direct you down the drive. (If the gate is locked, there is a sign with the clubhouse telephone number to call for someone to let you in.) The drive is a long, single track private road with a speed limit of 10 mph, beware of the occasional sheep or other animal on the drive.
- D. Another OSC Marshal will advise where to drop trailers and park on arrival at the club car park. Unloaded boats on trolleys can be stored in the boat park.
- E. There is a telegraph wire over the drive where it turns right towards the slip. **Sailors must not rig their boats before passing under the wire, and must drop their mast before exiting the slip / rigging area for the car park.**
- F. Once launched, boats should be moved to the floating jetties and tied up and trollies should be moved to the dinghy park. The slipway is steep hence getting on or coming ashore on the slipway is not recommended. The concrete jetty is for safety boats only and should not be used unless instructed by Club Officials.
- G. Swimming is not permitted.
- H. Buoyancy aids must be worn on the shore (where notices indicate) and slipway and jetty.
- I. Support crews assisting with launch and recovery are reminded to wear a buoyancy aid and wet footwear. Be aware that the slipway is very slippery below the waterline.
- J. Adults are asked not to enter the changing rooms but to use the disabled access wet room/toilet. Only competitors may enter the changing rooms per OSC Safeguarding policy for youth events.
- K. Food will be available at breakfast and lunchtime and must be pre-ordered via the link on the club website <https://www.otley-sailingclub.co.uk/event-5274839>