



MIRROR INLAND CHAMPIONSHIP 2023

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

Chew Valley Lake Sailing Club

Saturday 21 and Sunday 22 October 2023

The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the sailing instructions (SIs) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

The notation '[DP]' 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 event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 (RRS), the Rules of CVLSC Ltd, the Rules of the Class Association and the Bristol Water byelaws. Competitors will also behave in accordance with the RYA Racing Charter.
- 1.2 In the case of a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the SI's will take precedence. This changes RRS 63.7.

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted not less than 30 mins before the start of the race(s) that will be affected, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 19.00 on the day before it will take effect.
- 2.2 Any changes to the SIs will be indicated by Code Flag L displayed ashore.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the east facing window to the ground floor training room.
- 3.2 The race office is located on the upper floor at the southern end of the clubhouse.

4 CODE OF CONDUCT

- 4.1 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagstaff adjacent to the race office.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in Race Signals AP. This changes race signals AP.

6 CLASS FLAGS

- 6.1 The Class Flags to be used will be described at the briefing.



7 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 7.1 A competitors briefing will be held at 1030 Saturday 21 October 2023.
- 7.2 The 1st warning signal will not be before:
- a) 11.55am on Saturday 21 October 2023.
 - b) 10.25am on Sunday 22 October 2023.
- 7.3 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed at least five minutes and may be accompanied by a sound signal, before a warning signal is made.

8 RACING AREA

- 8.1 The racing area will be confirmed at the briefing.
- 8.2 The sailing area is limited by lines of white buoys which are continuing obstructions for RRS 18 and RRS 19. A boat shall not sail outside this sailing area except in an emergency.
- 8.3 A boat shall launch and come ashore only at the slipways and the adjacent shore unless in an emergency.

9 COURSES

- 9.1 The diagram(s) in SI Addendum **A** shows the course(s), including the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 9.2 The number of laps to be sailed will be indicated by boards on the side of the committee boat.
- 9.3 Courses may be shortened in accordance with RRS 32.
- 9.4 Legs of the course may be changed up until when the leader reaches the preceeding mark. The start line cannot be altered after the preparatory signal.

10 MARKS

- 10.1 The course will be defined by inflatable orange marks. Start and finish marks are described in SI 12.2 and 14.1.
- 10.2 Note, the numbers on the marks will not correspond to their position on the course.

11 OBSTRUCTIONS

- 11.1 Competitors should leave a minimum distance of 25m from fishing boats and 50m from shore based fishing. A prohibited zone created by this sailing instruction is an obstruction.

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 is between a staff displaying orange flag on the committee boat and an orange flag on the starting mark.
- 12.3 A boat that does not start within **5** minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.
- 12.4 The committee boat will be described at the briefing.



13 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 13.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark or the finishing line to a new position. Where the course change is significant and where support boat availability allows, this will be indicated by flying Code Flag C with an intermittent sound signal, near the preceding mark of the course.

14 THE FINISH

- 14.1 The finishing line is between a staff displaying a blue flag on the committee boat and a blue flag on a buoy.

15 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 15.1 RRS 44.1 will apply requiring a two turn penalty.
- 15.2 The Post Race Penalty and the RYA Arbitration Procedures of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available. Decisions for Arbitration can be referred to the protest committee but cannot be reopened or appealed.

16 TIME LIMITS

- 16.1 The Mark 1 Time Limit will be 20 minutes.
- 16.2 If no boat has passed the first mark within the Mark 1 Time Limit, the race will be abandoned and that race may be resailed.
- 16.3 The target time for the lead boat will be 45 minutes.
- 16.4 Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 16.5 The time limit will be 70 minutes.
- 16.6 Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes may be scored according to their observed position on the course, which may be the position at the last mark rounded. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

17 HEARING REQUESTS

- 17.1 The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the last boat in that class finishes the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 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 at ground floor level at the southern end of the clubhouse.

18 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 18.1 [DP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

19 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

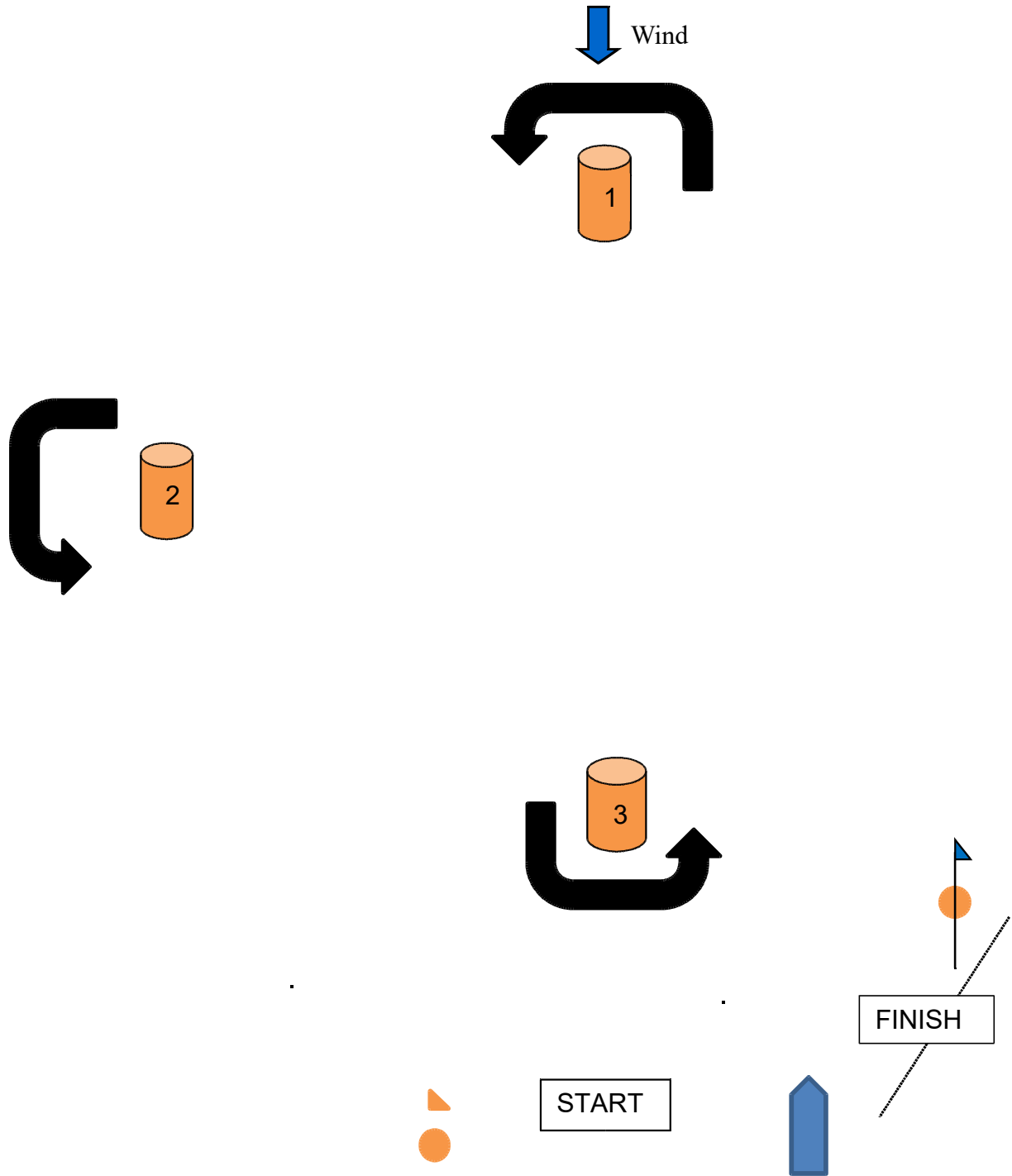
- 19.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, notice of race and sailing instructions.



20 PRIZES

- 20.1 Prizes will be awarded dependant on the number of entries and as a minimum 1st to 3rd for each fleet and may include other adhoc prizes and after the conclusion of the last race.
- 20.2 The following Mirror Class Association prizes will be awarded:
- 1) George Over Trophy - 1st Overall Helm & Crew
 - 2) Sailing the Mirror Trophy – Leading Helm over 39 Years
 - 3) Derwent Cup – Winner of Race 1
 - 4) Fox & Hounds Marine Trophy – Winner of Race 3
 - 5) Peter Drysdale Trophy – Winner of Race 4
 - 6) Mirror Class Association Shield – Singlehanded Inland Champion

ADDENDUM A



One Lap : 1p, 2p, 3p, Finish
Two Laps: 1p, 2p, 3p, 1p, 3p, Finish
Three Laps: 1p, 2p, 3p, 1p, 3p, 1p, 2p, 3p, Finish. Etc...
NOT TO SCALE