

Highcliffe Sailing Club Ladies Open Meeting 15th June 2019

Sailing Instructions

The event will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017-2020 and the prescriptions of the RYA, except as any of these are changed by these sailing instructions, and by these sailing instructions

1. Entries

- 1.1. Before commencing to race, all competitors shall have paid the required entry fee and signed on for the event either using Webcollect <https://webcollect.org.uk/hsc/event/ladies-open-meeting> or entry form in the Club on the day.
- 1.2. The safety of a boat and her entire management including insurance shall be the sole responsibility of the owner/person in charge who must ensure that the boat and crew are adequate to face the conditions that may arise in the course of the race/races. Neither these sailing instructions nor any inspection of the boats limits or reduces the absolute responsibility of the owner/person in charge for the crew, the boat and her management. The race organisers shall not be responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury howsoever caused to the owner/person in charge or the crew, as a result of their taking part in the race/races. Moreover every owner/person in charge warrants the suitability of the boat for the race/races.
- 1.3. All competitors shall wear personal buoyancy at all times whilst on the water. This amends RRS 40 and the preamble to Part 4

2. Launching

- 2.1. Visiting competitors must launch through HSC Dinghy Park with the exception of any sailors from CSC or MSC who wish to sail directly from their club to the start line. Anyone starting directly from the start line MUST have entered prior to racing.

3. Trash Disposal

- 3.1. As sailors we seek to protect and restore our oceans and coastal waters. Boats shall not intentionally put trash in the water. Trash may be placed aboard support and official's boats. The penalty for breaking RRS 55 is at the discretion of the Race Management Team and may be less than disqualification.

4. Notices to Competitors

- 4.1. Notices to competitors will be displayed on the official notice board located in the entrance hall of H.S.C.

5. Changes to Sailing Instructions

- 5.1. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted at least 60 minutes before the scheduled warning signal of the first race on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 20:00hrs on the day before it will take effect.

6. Signals Made Ashore

- 6.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flag pole at the western end of the H.S.C. Clubhouse 1st floor balcony.
- 6.2. When flag AP is flown ashore the warning signal will not be made not less than 15 minutes after AP is lowered.

7. Schedule of Races

- 7.1. Races are scheduled as follows:

Date	Race	Time of warning signal
Saturday 15th June	1	18:30
	2	ASAP after race 1

8. Racing Area

- 8.1. The racing area shall be in Christchurch Harbour.

9. The Course

- 9.1. Boats will race over a course to be briefed on the day, or by default on a square course. The course will be displayed on a black board in HSC entrance hall and on a black board on the Committee Boat.
- 9.2. The number of laps to be sailed shall be displayed on the black board in HSC entrance hall and on the Committee Boat.

10. Marks

- 10.1. The course will be marked by yellow inflatable cylinder buoys.
- 10.2. The starting mark shall be a red/orange pin. The start shall be between the pin and the staff on the Committee Boat displaying an orange flag.
- 10.3. The finish line shall be between a yellow pin and the staff on the Committee Boat flying a blue flag.

11. Change of Next Leg of the Course

- 11.1. To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark 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. Starting

- 12.1. Races will be started by using Rule 26 with the warning signal given 5 minutes before the starting signal.
- 12.2. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee boat at the starboard end and the red/orange pin at the port end of the starting line.

13. Recalls

- 13.1. Individual recalls will be signalled in accordance with RRS 29.1
- 13.2. General recalls will be signalled in accordance with RRS 29.2.

14. Shortened Course

- 14.1. The course may be shortened at any rounding mark by any committee boat displaying code flag 'S'. The Committee Boat will display the S flag signal for the leading boats on approach to finish mark

15. Finish

- 15.1. The finishing line will be between a staff on the committee boat displaying a blue flag and the finish mark.

16. Time Limit

- 16.1. RRS 35 will not apply. The time limit for the leading boat will be 75 minutes. Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes of the first boat finishing will be scored Did Not Finish.

17. Protests

- 17.1. Mediation will take place to find a happy conclusion to any disputes.

18. Scoring

- 18.1. The low points scoring system, Rule A2, will apply.
- 18.2. A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

19. Photography

- 19.1. By competing in this event, competitors grant to the organisers without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television of or relating to the event and consent to these being published in Class, club, sponsor and other publications and / or the Class, club, sponsor or other websites.