

Safety Beach Sailing Club

OTB SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Winter 2021

As at Change to Sailing Instructions 1 – effective 17 June 2021

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the SI means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification. This changes RRS 64.1.

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).

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Appendix T, Arbitration, will apply.

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 hrs on the day it will take effect, except any change to the schedule of races.
- 2.2 A change to the schedule of weekly races will be posted on the club website or e-news by 1800 hrs on the Wednesday before it will take effect and be placed on the noticeboard as soon as possible thereafter.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the downstairs passageway outside the changing rooms at Safety Beach SC.
- 3.2 While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. **[DP]**

4 CODE OF CONDUCT

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

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flag mast in the yard.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1 Schedule of Races

Date	Event	First Warning
Sunday 6 th June 2021	Racing Session	10:57
Sunday 20 th June 2021	Racing Session	10:57
Sunday 4 th July 2021	Racing Session	10:57
Sunday 18 th July 2021	Racing Session	10:57
Sunday 1 st August 2021	Racing Session	10:57
Sunday 15 th August 2021	Racing Session	10:57
Sunday 29 th August 2021	Racing Session	10:57






6.2 There 14 races scheduled for the series over 7 days.

6.3 A maximum of 3 races may be sailed in a racing session. The race committee may only go 1 race ahead of the schedule.

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 **two** minutes before a warning signal is made.

7 DIVISION FLAGS

Division flags will be naval numerals:

Division 1 - Naval Numeral 1		Novice
Division 2 - Naval Numeral 2		Yardstick above 113
Division 3 - Naval Numeral 3		Yardstick 103 to 113
Division 4 - Naval Numeral 4		(not applicable)
Division 5 - Naval Numeral 5		Yardstick 78 - 102 inclusive
Division 6 - Naval Numeral 6		Yardstick Up to 77 inclusive

8 RACING AREA

In the vicinity of Safety Beach Sailing Club.

9 COURSES

9.1 The diagram in Attachment A shows the course, including the approximate angles between legs and the mark rounding's for each division.

9.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat may display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

9.3 Legs of the course will not be changed after the preparatory signal. This changes RRS 33.

- 9.4 Courses shall be identified on the course board by coinciding numbers.
- 9.5 In Course 4, mark 1a may be laid and if, so laid shall be passed on the same hand as mark 1.
- 9.6 In the absence of one of the Gate marks in Course 4 the remaining mark shall be taken on the same hand as marks 1 and (1a).

10 MARKS

- 10.1 Marks 1 and 2 will be yellow conical inflatable buoys.
- 10.2 The mark at the port end of the start line (starboard end of the finish line) will be a Black and Yellow Chequered cylindrical inflatable buoy.
- 10.3 Mark (1a), if laid, will be an orange cylindrical inflatable buoy.

11 OBSTRUCTIONS

- 11.1 The mussel farm to the west of the club as marked by four yellow buoys is designated an obstruction.

12 THE START

- 12.1 Races will be started as follows:

<i>Signal</i>	<i>Flag and sound</i>	<i>Minutes</i>
Warning	Division Flag; 1 sound	3
Preparatory	P or Starting Penalties as per RRS 30; 1 sound	2
One-minute	Preparatory Flag removed; 1 long sound	1
Starting	Division Flag removed; 1 sound	0

This changes RRS 26.

- 12.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 12.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races. **[DP] [NP]**
- 12.4 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 request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 12.5 A boat that does not start within **10** minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

13 THE FINISH

- 13.1 The finishing line is between a staff displaying a Blue flag on the finishing vessel at the port end and the course side of the finishing mark at the starboard end.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 14.1 RRS 44 is unchanged, however, the Scoring Penalty, RRS 44.3, shall not apply.

15 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 15.1 The target time for each division is 40 to 45 minutes. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 15.2 The time limit for the first boat in each division is 70 minutes.
- 15.3 Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes may be allocated an estimated finish time without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A5.1 and A5.2.

16 HEARING REQUESTS

- 16.2 For each division, the protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 16.1 Hearing request forms are available from the Tower.
- 16.3 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 training room downstairs, beginning at the time posted.
- 16.4 Notices of protests by the race committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 16.5 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.

17 SCORING

- 17.1 Low point scoring system; SBSC penalty schedule will apply.
- 17.2 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 17.3 (a) When fewer than **4** races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores.
- (b) When from **4** to **8** races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- (c) When **9** or more races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.
- 17.4 Rule A5.3 applies.

18 SAFETY REGULATIONS [NP]

- 18.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible. **[DP]**
- 18.2 Personal floatation devices shall be worn by all competitors at all times when afloat. **[DP]**

18.3 Sign-On/Off

- 18.3.1 All competitors **shall** sign-on before leaving the beach for a racing session. Failure to sign-on will result in the boat receiving a 5 point scoring penalty without a hearing for the first race in the session. No boat shall be scored worse than DSQ. This changes RRS 63.1, A5.1 and A5.2.
- 18.3.2 All competitors **shall** sign-off when they come ashore within 60 minutes of the last boat finishing the last race of the day. Failure to sign-off will result in the boat receiving a 5 point scoring penalty without a hearing for the last race in the session. No boat shall be scored worse than DSQ. This changes RRS 63.1, A5.1 and A5.2.
- 18.3.3 To sign-on and sign-off each skipper shall use the SBSC Sailor App on a mobile phone or via the tablet located at the desk in the passage outside the change rooms downstairs. In the event the Sailor App has not been activated the existing QR codes shall continue to be used until notification is posted that the Sailor App is operational in the weekly newsletter and/or via notices on the noticeboard and the sign on/off area to that effect.

19 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 19.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee. **[DP]**
- 19.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity. **[DP]**

20 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 20.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.
- 20.2 A multi-hulled yacht may have - in addition to all other safety requirements - in an easily accessible place and securely attached to a strong point at or about the front beam, a 'righting rope' or ropes, i.e. a length of rope(s) of sufficient length and strength to support all crew members simultaneously above water level with the rope extended from the anchorage point and over the gunwale of the uppermost hull when the yacht is capsized. Such rope(s) may be in addition, and may be separate to all other rigging and equipment, and may be used for the purpose of assisting to right the yacht after capsizes.

21 OFFICIAL VESSELS

- 21.1 Official vessels will fly the Safety Beach Sailing Club burgee.

22 TRASH DISPOSAL **[NP]**

- 22.2 Boats shall not put trash in the water. Trash may be placed aboard support and race committee vessels.

23 PRIZES

- 23.1 Prizes will be awarded for 1st place in each division where there have been 3 or more competitors in the series.
- 23.2 Other prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the Sailing Committee.

24 RISK STATEMENT

- 24.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury.

Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

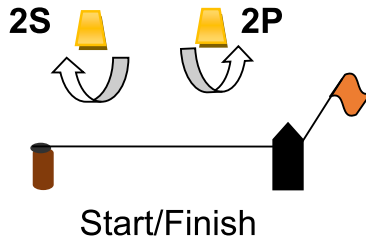
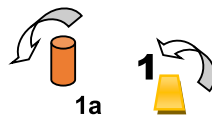
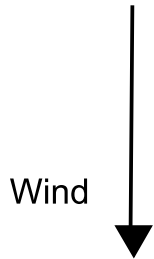
25 INSURANCE

- 25.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$5,000,000 per event or the equivalent.

Attachment A

Course 4

Port course shown (internal angles)
 Start/Finish below the Leeward mark.



Course 4

Division 1 course: Start -1 - 1a - 2P/2s - 1 - 1a - Finish

2 x

Division 2 course: Start -1 - 1a - 2P/2s - 1 - 1a - Finish

2 x

Division 3 course: Start -1 - 1a - 2P/2s - 1 - 1a - 1a - 2P/2s - 1 - 1a - Finish

3 x

Division 5 course: Start -1 - 1a - 2P/2s - 1 - 1a - 1a - 2P/2s - 1 - 1a - Finish

3 x

Division 6 course: Start -1 - 1a - 2P/2s - 1 - 1a - 1a - 2P/2s - 1 - 1a - 1a - 2P/2s - 1 - 1a - Finish

4 x