



Dinghy Race Series 2017

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

These sailing instructions (SI) apply to all events (races, series) identified as a Club, Open or Restricted event in the appropriate NOR.

1. RULES

1.1 The events will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RR).

1.2 Racing rules will be changed as follows:

RR 29.1	(Individual Recall) is changed	by SI 9.
RR 32	(Shortening or Abandoning after the Start) is changed	by SI 10.3.
RR 35	(Time Limits) is varied as	in SI 11.
RR 40	(Personal Flotation Device) shall be worn at all times while afloat.	

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS/CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Notices to competitors and any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board located in the Clubhouse - Wet Area.

3. SCHEDULE OF RACES

Races will be scheduled as shown in attachment "A" for the following trophies:-.

<i>A series of Dinghy races for</i>	<i>"The Easter Egg Trophy"</i>
<i>A combined Dinghy & Cruiser race for</i>	<i>"The D-Day Cup"</i>
<i>A series of 6 Spring Dinghy races for the</i>	<i>"Cock 'o' the Creek"</i>
<i>A series of 6 Summer Evening Dinghy races for the</i>	<i>"Summer Evening Plaque"</i>
<i>A series of 6 Summer Dinghy races for the</i>	<i>"Shore Road Salver"</i>
<i>A series of 6 Autumn Dinghy races for the</i>	<i>"Peter Cauldwell Trophy"</i>
<i>A series of 6 Winter Dinghy races for the</i>	<i>"The Caroline Ann Cup".</i>
<i>A series of Regatta Dinghy races for the</i>	<i>"The Dibden Urn Open Challenge Trophy"</i>

4. CLASS FLAG

The class flag will be: 'F' for all Dinghy races.

5. RACING AREA

Dinghy racing courses shall be set entirely within the dinghy racing area. This area is bounded to the seaward edge by a line through Deans Elbow and Laines Lake buoys. It is bounded upstream by a line extended from the Hythe Marine Park pier and bounded down-stream by a line through Deans Lake buoy at right angle to the shore line.

6. THE COURSES

The course to be sailed will be indicated on the "course board" located at or near the slipway a minimum of 15 minutes before the start.

7. MARKS

7.1 Marks that may be used during races will be indicated on the Course Board.

7.2 The starting and finishing marks will be as indicated on the Course Board.

8. THE START

8.1 Races will be started in accordance with RR 26.

8.2 The starting line will normally be between the Flag Pole on the shore at the South East corner of the Club compound and an orange buoy (with a flag on it) to seaward. Unless shown otherwise on the Course Board.



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8.2 A boat which has submitted a valid entry form, informed the Race Officer of their intention and manoeuvres in the vicinity of the start shall be deemed to have entered the race.

9. INDIVIDUAL RECALLS

Racing rule 29.1 is changed as follows: Individual recalls will be signalled by displaying flag 'F' lowered to half-mast with one sound signal, lowered when all offending boats have re-crossed the starting line. Flag "X" **will not** be used.

10 THE FINISH

10.1 The finishing line will be the same as the Starting Line, unless as shown on the Course Board.

10.2 Finishing will be by crossing the line from the "***direction of the last mark***".

10.3 Racing rule 32 is changed as follows: If "**Flag S**" is flown at the finish, then all boats will be finished when they complete the lap they are on irrespective of how many laps they have completed and average lap times will be applied.

11. TIME LIMIT

11.1 The time limit is **90 minuets** for the first boat to finish.

11.2 Boats failing to finish within 45 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored "***Did not Finish***" without a hearing. This changes rules 35.

12. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

12.1 Protests shall be written on the official form available from the Race Officer or members of the Sailing Sub-Committee and must be lodged within 90 minutes of last boat finishing last race of day.

12.2 Protests will be heard as soon as is practical.

13. HANDICAP RACING

13.1 Boats will be ranked according to their corrected time as calculated using the Portsmouth Yardstick System as set out in the current edition of RYA YR2. Average lap corrected times may also be used.

13.2 Portsmouth Yardstick Numbers will be those published in the current edition of RYA YR2 for each class, adjusted as necessary for variations from base trim for each class or as directed by the Sailing Sub-Committee. The Sailing Sub-Committee may allocate provisional PYN to boats that do not appear in YR2 or vary the YR2 values for local purposes.

14. SCORING

14.1 The low points scoring system of RR Appendix A.4 will apply except that in a series, RR A4.2 is amended to read as in RR A9.

14.2 Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

14.3 The number of excluded race scores (discards) is as follows:-

- 6 races completed - 2 discards;
- 3, 4 or 5 races completed - 1 discard;
- 1 or 2 races completed - no discards.

14.4 Points for non-finishers will be awarded as follows:

- Retired after finishing (RAF) scores - ***race entry number plus one***;
- Did not finish (DNF) scores - ***race entry number plus one***;
- On course side (OCS) or disqualified (DSQ) scores - ***race entry number plus one***;
- Did not start (DNS) scores - ***race entry number plus one***;
- Did not complete (DNC) scores - ***series entry number plus one***.

14.5 Points will be awarded to a helmsman in a class of boat.

14.6 Helms ***shall not*** change during a race.



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14.7 Boats unable to race due to a member of the crew being on duty helping to run the race will be awarded average points for the series. These points will not be awarded for more than 50% of the races that the boat will count in the series.

15. SAFETY REGULATIONS

15.1 **Personal Flotation Device** *shall be* worn by competitors at all times while afloat.

15.2 During the period 1 October to 30 April, all competitors shall wear “wetsuits” or “dry suits” whilst afloat.

15.3 Any boat that starts but does not finish a race should notify the Race Officer. This is mandatory if the boat is not returning direct to the HSC slipway.

15.4 Racing will be abandoned if the Race Officer considers conditions are unsuitable or if safety boat coverage is considered inadequate.

15.5 NO dinghies shall race in the “**main shipping channel**” of Southampton Water.

15.6 Particular attention is drawn to **IRPCAS 9(b)** “**A vessel of less than 20 metres length or a Sailing Vessel shall not impede the passage of a vessel, which can safely navigate only within a narrow channel or fairway**”.

16. PRIZES

16.1 Trophies to be awarded to race series winners are as indicated below.

16.2 Non-members of HSC will be eligible for trophies and prizes at the discretion of the Sailing Sub-Committee.

17. RISK STATEMENT

Rule 4 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. Competitors must be aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for their own exposure/fitness and their crew’s and that their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the races;
- 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, safety boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities; and
- f. The provision of safety boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;

18. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 per event or the equivalent.



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DINGHY RACE EVENTS FOR 2017

Appendix A

<u>Date</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>1st HW</u>	<u>Event Info</u>	<u>Start</u>	<u>OOD</u>	<u>Safety Boat</u>
1st Apr	Sat	14.52	DR Spring Series - 2	14.00	Uwe Nitsche	Edwin Phillips
14th Apr	Fri	13.47	Easter Egg - DR Spring Series - 3	14.00	Rod Morris	Eian Massey /Bill Scholfield
29th Apr	Sat	13.46	DR Spring Series - 4	14.00	Eian Massey	Pete Browning
13th May	Sat	13.32	DR Spring Series - 5 & Wayfarer Fleet - 1	13.30	Robin Trim	Darren Green
28th May	Sun	13.32	Bank Holiday - DR Spring Series - 6	14.00	Dave Witcher	Steve Jordan/Tom Byrne
3rd Jun	Sat	18.50	Dinghy Evening Series - 1	18:45	TBA	Derek Howlett
10th Jun	Sat	12.02	NORMANDY RACE - DR Summer Series - 1	12.15	Trevor Tennison	Dave Baigent
18th Jun	Sun	18.26	DR Summer Series - 2 & Wayfarer Fleet - 2	18.00	TBA	Marcin Wojcik
20th Jun	Tues	20.03	Dingy Evening Series - 2	19.30	Mike Cashen	Jake Ball
24th Jun	Sat	11.42	Cruiser Pursuit Race	12.00	Sailing Committee	
25th Jun	Sun	12.29	Possible - Dinghy/Pico Racing & Fun	12.30	Sailing Committee	
1st Jul	Sat	17.19	DR Summer Series - 3	17.00	Guy Hardacre	Stuart Gange
3rd Jul	Mon	19.07	Dinghy Evening Series - 3	19.00	Andy Kirby	Edwin Phillips
8th Jul	Sat	11.07	DR Summer Series - 4	12.00	Tom Watt	Charlie Davidson
15th Jul	Sat	15.59	HSC 60 Years Evening Social Event	18.00	Sub Committees	
16th Jul	Sun	16.52	HSC 60 Years Sail Day Event	16.00	Sub Committees	
19th Jul	Wed	19.37	Dinghy Evening Series - 4	19.00	Rod Morris	Stephen Burnip
23rd Jul	Sun	11.34	DR Summer Series - 5	11.00	Pete Sheppard	Doug Wright
5th Aug	Sat	10.00	DR Summer Series - 6 & Wayfarer Fleet - 3	11.00	Uwe Nitsche	Paul Kuyser
13th Aug	Sun	15.33	DR Autumn Series - 1	15.00	Glyn Jones	Edwin Phillips
16th Aug	Wed	18.00	Dinghy Evening Series - 5	18.00	Robin Trim	Pete Browning
27th Aug	Sun	16.06	Bank Holiday - DR Autumn Series - 2	15.00	TBA	Darren Green
2nd Sept	Sat	20.36	Dinghy Evening Series - 6	19.00	John Coombes	Steve Jordan/Tom Byrne
3rd Sept	Sun	9.37	DR Autumn Series - 3	10.00	Mike Cashen	Dave/Chris Witcher
9th Sept	Sat	13.44	DR Autumn Series - 4	14.00	Guy Hardacre	Derek Howlett
17th Sept	Sun	9.01	DR Autumn Series - 5	10.00	Andy Kirby	Julie & Ieuan Stanley
24th Sept	Sun	14.22	DR Autumn Series Spare	14.00	TBA	TBA
30th Sept	Sat	18.14	DR Autumn Series - 6	17.00	Tom Watt	Eian Massey/Bill Scholfield
7th Oct	Sat	12.42	DR Winter Series - 1	12.00	Jake Ball	Dave Baigent
22nd Oct	Sun	13.18	DR Winter Series - 2	13.00	Glyn Jones	Edwin Phillips
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4th Nov	Sat	10.19	DR Winter Series - 3	11.00	Paul Kuyser	Marcin Wojcik
5th Nov	Sun	11.17	Dinghy Winter Series Spare	11.00	TBA	TBA
18th Nov	Sat	10.51	Dinghy Winter Series Spare	11.00	TBA	TBA
19th Nov	Sun	10.45	DR Winter Series - 4	11.00	Chris Witcher	Stuart Gange
2nd Dec	Sat	9.06	DR Winter Series - 5	10.00	TBA	Charlie Davidson
3rd Dec	Sun	9.54	Dinghy Winter Series Spare	11.00	TBA	TBA
17th Dec	Sun	9.43	DR Winter Series - 6	10.00	John Coombes	Stephen Burnip