



Stokes Bay Sailing Club

Moth & WASZP Open Meeting

20th & 21st July 2019

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the International Moth Class rules and these sailing instructions (SIs).
- 1.2 All competitors shall be members of IMCA UK or in the case of overseas competitors they shall be members of their local Moth Class Association or IMCA.

2. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located in the Club to the right of the front door.

3. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the SIs will be posted at least 90 minutes before the advertised starting time of the race, or races, concerned, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000hrs on the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be hoisted on the Clubhouse mast.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in race signal AP.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 The schedule of races and the times of warning signals are:

Saturday 20 th July	Race 1	1230 hrs	High Tide	1449hrs
	Race 2	ASAP after Race 1		
	Race 3	ASAP after Race 2		
	Race 4	ASAP after Race 3		
Sunday 21 st July	Race 5	1100 hrs	High Tide	1525hrs
	Race 6	ASAP after Race 5		
	Race 7	ASAP after Race 6		
	Race 8	ASAP after Race 7		

- 5.2 When Flag 'D' is displayed ashore no competitor may go afloat until the signal is removed. No starting signal will be given for at least 30 minutes after Flag 'D' is removed.
- 5.3 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 1530hrs.

6. CLASS FLAGS

- 6.1 The Class Flags will be the class insignia on either a blue or a yellow background, or IC Flag "R".

7. RACING AREA

- 7.1 The course area will be within a 3 mile radius of the Clubhouse.

8. THE COURSE

- 8.1 The diagrams in Attachment A shows the course including the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 8.2 The number of laps will be displayed on the Committee Boat.

9. MARKS

- 9.1 Marks will be orange or yellow inflatable buoys.

10. AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

See Attachment B.

11. STARTS

- 11.1 Races will be started by using rule 26.
- 11.2 The Starting Line will be between a mast displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Boat and mark 'S' or a mast displaying an orange flag on a boat at the port end.
- 11.3 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after the starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes rules A4 and A5.

12. THE FINISH

- 12.1 The finishing line will be between a mast displaying a blue flag on the Race Committee Boat and mark 4.
- 12.2 When the leading boat completes the course and finishes, all boats that cross the finish line within 15 minutes after the leading boat has finished shall be deemed to be finishing irrespective of the number of laps they have completed. Their position in the race will be noted from their finishing order and number of completed laps with those having the most laps being recorded ahead of those with less completed laps. Boats that have only completed 1 lap shall be ranked behind boats that have completed 2 laps. Boats that have completed 2 laps shall be ranked behind boats that have completed 3 laps, etc. This changes rules 28.1 and A4.
- 12.3 Boats failing to cross the finish line within 15 minutes after the first boat has sailed the course and finished will be scored after those finishing in accordance with 12.2 that completed more laps, according to their position at the previous passing through, if completed, the Gate, otherwise they will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

13. PENALTIES

- 13.1 Rules 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

14. TIME LIMITS

- 14.1 If no boat has completed the 1st lap within 30 minutes the race shall be abandoned and re-sailed where possible.

15. PROTESTS & REDRESS

- 15.1 Protest forms are available from the Race Office situated on the top floor of the Clubhouse.
- 15.2 Protests and Requests for Redress must be lodged in writing with the Race Office, within 60 minutes of the last boat finishing the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 15.3 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties to a hearing or named as witnesses. It shall be the responsibility of competitors to check the notice board for such notices.
- 15.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 15.5 Breaches of instructions 17, 19 and 22 will not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a).
- 15.6 Penalties for infringements other than those in RRS Part 2 are at the discretion of the protest

committee and may be less than disqualification.

- 15.7 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:
- (a) Within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day.
 - (b) No later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.

This changes rule 66.

- 15.8 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 rule 62.2.

16. SCORING & RESULTS

16.1 The low point scoring system of Appendix A will apply.

16.2 One race must be completed to constitute a Series.

16.3 When fewer than 4 races are sailed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. If four or more races are sailed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. If eight or more races are sailed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

17. SAFETY REGULATIONS

17.1 PERSONAL BUOYANCY

Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices at all times while afloat, except briefly while adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Flag Y will not be displayed. This changes rule 40.

17.2 TALLY SYSTEM

The requirements of this instruction are specified for the safety of competitors.

- a) A tally system will be in operation.
- b) The location of the tally board will be indicated on the Official Notice Board.
- c) Your tally (a yellow elastic wrist band), must be collected from the tally board and worn at all times whilst afloat. Numbers will be allocated at registration.
- d) On completion of (or retirement from) the race, or races where they are held back to back, you must return directly to Stokes Bay Sailing Club and replace your tally on the tally board in its correct position.
- e) In the event that you come ashore away from Stokes Bay Sailing Club, you must telephone the Club on 023 9258 1513 as soon as practicable, to report your position and safety.

17.3 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

17.4 The race committee may protest a boat for a breach of these safety regulations. However, a boat may be exonerated for a breach by payment of a £10 contribution to Gosport & Fareham Inshore Rescue Service.

17.5 DECLARATIONS

Declarations are not required except for boats retiring. This is to be declared on the sheets on the Official Notice Board and stating from which races the boat retired.

18. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT & MEASUREMENT CHECKS

18.1 HELM SUBSTITUTION - Any change to the nominated helm constitutes a new entry and must be requested in writing to the Race Officer and their written approval given before leaving the shore.

18.2 SAIL NUMBER CHANGE - Sail numbers displayed on the sail must be as per that boat's entry form. Any changes must be given to the Race Officer at least 2 hours before racing with that sail. Any other changes will be accepted at the discretion of the Race Office.

18.3 FOIL CHANGES - A boat shall not change its rudder or dagger board or the T-foils used on them whilst afloat. The change may only be made whilst ashore.

19. ADVERTISING

Boats shall display the advertising of the event sponsor supplied by the organising committee on

both sides of the forward 25% of the hull.

20. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded by SailTek Ltd and Stokes Bay SC.

21. SUPPORT BOATS

Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

22. TRASH DISPOSAL

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

23. RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make nor receive radio transmissions, text messages or cellular phone calls while racing.

24. MEDIA RIGHTS, CAMERAS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

24.1 By participating in the regatta, competitors grant to the IMCA-UK the right in perpetuity to make, use, and show at the IMCA-UK's discretion any motion or still pictures, audio recordings, or similar media. IMCA-UK grants the Organising Authority and the event sponsors the right in perpetuity to use and show this media at the IMCA-UK's discretion. This provision shall be interpreted as broadly as possible.

24.2 Competitors may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment, positioning equipment, or other electronic devices as provided by the organizing authority.

24.3 Competitors may be required to be interviewed during the regatta.

25. RISK STATEMENT

25.1 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."

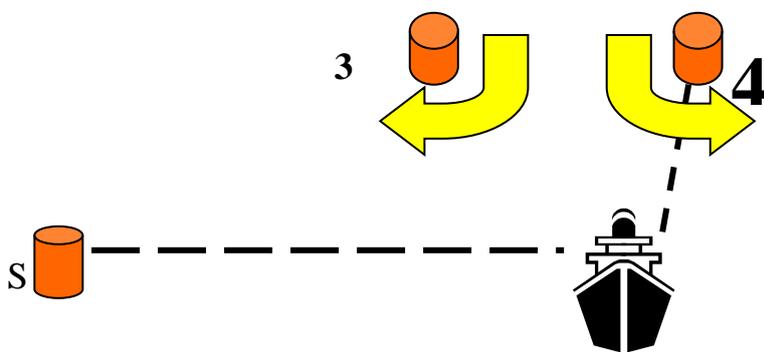
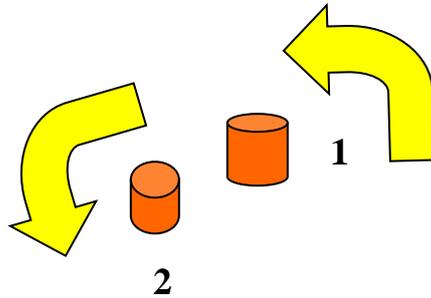
25.2 Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- 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 omission;
- 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 organiser 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.

26. INSURANCE

No boat shall race unless the boat is currently insured for third party risks to the minimum sum of £3,000,000 per incident (or its equivalent in any other currency) and such insurance shall be valid for the helmsperson who will be racing her.

ATTACHMENT A



1 Lap: Start, 1 (P), 2 (P), Gate

Where:

Gate is between the Mark 3 which will be left to starboard, and Mark 4, which will be left to port.

Finish is between the Committee Boat, which will be left to starboard, and Mark 4, which will be left to port.

The number of laps will be displayed on the committee boat and the Finish indicated as in Sailing Instruction 12.

ATTACHMENT B

SHORE LINE - PROHIBITED AREA

- 1 No boat shall sail within 50 metres of the Gosport shoreline or to the landward side of the line parallel to the shoreline which joins any yellow Prohibited Area buoys (including the yellow buoy off the local inshore rescue service slipway), or its extensions (whether more or less than 50 metres from the shoreline) except
 - a) If a boat is capsized or disabled or requires attention ashore or is helping those in danger
 - b) If a boat is sailing to or from the slipway area off the Club
- 2 The prohibited area is an obstruction for the purpose of RRS Rule 18 and 19.
- 3 The Race Committee will monitor the prohibited area and may disqualify any boat seen infringing this Instruction without a hearing (although any boat disqualified may seek redress under rule 60.1).
- 4 The Race Committee may direct a patrol boat to monitor the 50m rule if he deems it necessary
- 5 A boat infringing the prohibited area may also be liable to other penalties under RRS Rule 69 -Gross Misconduct).
- 6 This is a variation to the Racing Rules of Sailing as the Race Committee does not have to raise a protest against a boat seen infringing this rule, in order to disqualify them from the results of that race.

OTHER NON-COMPETING VESSELS

All non-competing vessels (small or large) are to be accorded their rights under the International Regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea (IRPCAS). In particular, IRPCAS 9(b) states:

A vessel of less than 20 metres in length or a sailing vessel shall not impede the passage of a vessel which can safely navigate only within a narrow channel or fairway.

The racing area may cross or go near a channel, and all commercial shipping is to be treated as being in a narrow channel or fairway.