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4000 and Cherub National Championships

22 – 25 August 2015

4000

Mumbles Yacht Club, Swansea



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016*, these sailing instructions and appropriate class rules.
- 1.2. Any competitor found to have stolen, defaced, damaged, or in any way tampered with banners, flags or other promotional material of the organizing club or sponsors will be deemed to have committed a gross breach of good manners and will be subject to a hearing under rule 69
- 1.3. If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located in the foyer of Mumbles Yacht Club.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole on the roof of Mumbles Yacht Club.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP.
- 4.3. Hoisting a flag "G" over the class flag(s) and a flag indicating a course area with two sound signals means "The designated class is allowed to leave the shore and proceed to the race area where one or more races will be held. The warning signal for the first race will not be made less than 30 minutes after flag "G" is hoisted."

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1. Schedule

DATE	EVENT
Saturday 22 August	Registration 9.00 – 10.30 Competitors Briefing – Time 10:00 3 Races – First Warning Signal not before 12.25 Subsequent starts to commence as soon as possible following previous race
Sunday 23 August	3 Races – First Warning Signal not before 10.55 Subsequent starts to commence as soon as possible following previous race
Monday 24 August	3 Races – First Warning Signal not before 10.55 Subsequent starts to commence as soon as possible following previous race
Tuesday 25 August	3 Races (Cherubs), 2 Races (4000s) – First Warning Signal not before 10.55 Subsequent starts to commence as soon as possible following previous race

- 5.2. One extra race per day may be sailed, provided that no class becomes more than one race ahead of schedule and the change is made according to instruction 3.
- 5.3. 4000 start sequence will commence close to immediately after the successful Cherub start and the start line is deemed clear by the Race Committee.
- 5.4. The Race Committee may reverse the starting order of the classes for any reason including conditions provided that the change is made according to instruction 3.
- 5.5. On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 1500hrs.

6. CLASS FLAGS

- 6.1. Class flags will be:

Class	Flag
4000	4000 logo on a green background
Cherub	Red heart on a white background

7. RACING AREAS

- 7.1. Racing shall take place within the confines of Swansea Bay.

8. THE COURSES

- 8.1. Appendix A shows the course, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

9. MARKS

- 9.1. Marks 1, 1a, 4P and 4P will be orange pillar marks
- 9.2. The starting and finishing marks will be yellow pillar marks.
- 9.3. A race committee boat signalling a change of a leg of the course is a mark as provided in instruction 11.2.

10. THE START

- 10.1. Races will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.
- 10.2. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 10.3. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 10.4. A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4.
- 10.5. If flag U has been displayed as the preparatory signal, no part of a boat's hull, crew, or equipment shall be in the triangle formed by the ends of the starting line and the first mark during the last minute before her starting signal. If a boat breaks this rule and is identified, she shall be disqualified without a hearing but not if the race is restarted or resailed or postponed or abandoned before the starting signal. This changes rule 26.

11. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 11.1. To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) 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.
- 11.2. Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee boat signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard. This changes rule 28.

12. THE FINISH

- 12.1. The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the Race Committee Boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end finishing mark
- 12.2. If the race committee is absent when a boat finishes, she should report her finishing time, and her position in relation to nearby boats, to the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

12.3. Boats failing to cross the finish line within 20 minutes after the first boat has sailed the course and finished will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

12.4. Cherub class: When the leading boat completes the course and finishes, all boats should sail to the finish and finish at the end of their current lap 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 fewer completed laps i.e boats that have only completed 1 lap shall be ranked behind boats which have completed 2 laps. Boats that have completed 2 laps shall be ranked behind boats that have completed 3 laps, etc.

13. PENALTY SYSTEM

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

13.2. 4000 class only: A boat touching a mark, other than the committee boat on station, and passing it on the correct side does not infringe rule 31. However a boat which, in the opinion of the race officer, causes a racing mark to be significantly relocated may be disqualified from that race including any restart. This changes rule 31

14. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

14.1. Time limits and target times are as follows:

Class	Time Limit	Mark 1 time limit	Target time
4000	90 minutes	20 minutes	45 minutes
Cherub	90 minutes	20 minutes	45 minutes

14.2. If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

14.3. Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

15. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

15.1. Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

15.2. For each class, 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.

15.3. 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. The location and schedule will be posted on the official notice board.

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 10.3, 17, 20, 21, and 22 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.

15.6. 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.

15.7. 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.

15.8. Decisions of the protest committee will be final as provided in rule 70.5.

16. SCORING

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

16.2. Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

16.3. Score will be as follows:

- a) When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- b) When from 4 to 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- c) When 7 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

17. SAFETY REGULATIONS

17.1. Check-Out and Check-In: A tally board system will be in force during the event. Helm or crew must tally onto the water by wearing a band located in the charge of the beach master. Immediately after returning from the water, this band must be returned to the tally board. Boats failing to comply with these procedures will be subject to disqualification without a hearing from all races that day. This adds to exceptions within rule 63.1. The Race Committee may commute this DSQ to a contribution of £10 to the local RNLI for the first failure increasing by £20 for the second and £30 for the third or more.

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

17.3. Personal Buoyancy shall be worn at all times whilst on the water. This changes rule 40.

18. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

18.1. Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.

19. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

19.1. 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. EVENT ADVERTISING

20.1. Boats shall display event advertising supplied by the organizing authority as follows: on both sides of the forward 25% of the hull. Additional sponsorship material may also be supplied and will be displayed in the lower 25% of the mainsail.

21. TRASH DISPOSAL

21.1. Trash may be placed aboard support or official boats.

22. RADIO COMMUNICATION

22.1. Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

23. PRIZES

23.1. Prizes will be awarded as per the Notice of Race.

24. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

24.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

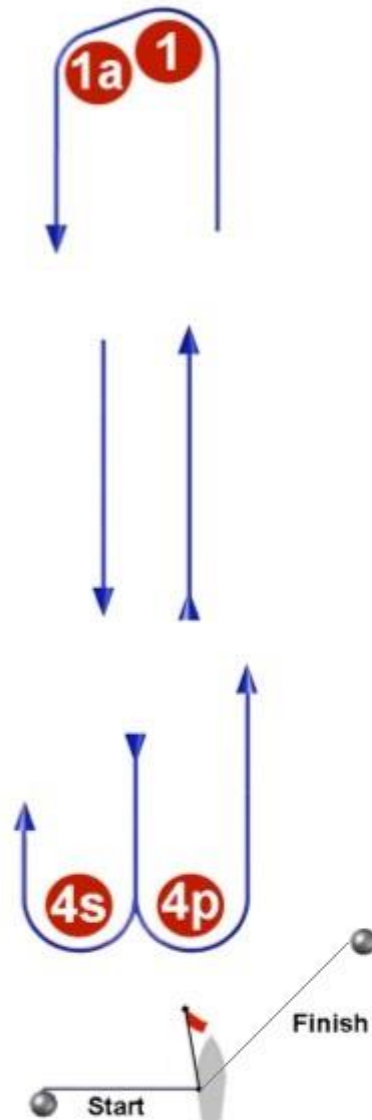
25. INSURANCE

25.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

Appendix A

Windward-Leeward Course with spreader and gate

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Marking Rounding Order

Start - 1 - 1a - 4s/4p - 1 - 1a - 4s/4p

- 1 - 1a - Finish
