

FLEET 2 – SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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Class 1 – Toppers
Class 2 – Optimists

The Committee reserve the right to combine or alter Classes depending on the number of entries. Any change will be displayed on the Clubhouse Notice Board.

1. RULES

Races will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012 (RRS), any supplements issued thereto, the Prescriptions of the R.Y.A. and their relevant Appendices, Class Rules, and these Sailing Instructions.

2. RACES

The Regatta will be decided over a series of up to six races. One race must be completed for the series to be valid. One discard is permitted should four or five races be completed, and two discards are permitted if all six races are completed.

3. POINTS SYSTEM

RRS Appendix A4.1, Low Points Scoring System will apply.

4. TIME LIMIT

In addition to RRS 35, there will be a fixed time limit of 1 hour from a valid First Class start in each race. If one or more yachts have finished before the Time Limit expires, then other yachts IN THAT CLASS which finish within 15 minutes of the above time limit shall qualify for places and points. If no yacht completes the course within the time limit, the result of the race will be taken at the last completed round without regard to subsequent event.

5. INDIVIDUAL RECALLS

In alteration to RRS 29.1, the Class Flag will be flown at the "dip", instead of displaying Flag "X".

6. GENERAL RECALL

In alteration to RRS 29.2 the normal starting sequence will not be interrupted by a General Recall. The warning signal for the class which has had a General Recall will be five minutes before its starting signal and will normally be displayed at the starting signal for the last class to start correctly. If more than one class is subject to a General Recall, the second of these classes will start five minutes after the first and so on. If the recalled Class is the last Class starting then the Warning Signal for that Class will be one minute after the General Recall Signal is lowered.

7. PROTESTS

Protests must be notified to the Race Officer and Protest Forms must be lodged at the Information Desk within one hour of completion of the day's racing, or such later time as the Race Committee, at their sole discretion, may permit. Protest hearings will be held in the HLSC Clubhouse as soon as possible after racing finishes, on the day the protest is lodged.

8. STARTING

Races will be started using RRS 26.

9. STARTING TIMES

Saturday 11th September

Sunday 12th September

CLASS	SIGNAL	START	CLASS	SIGNAL	START
Class 1	Pennant 1	1200	Class 1	Pennant 1	1100
Class 2	Pennant 2	1205	Class 2	Pennant 2	1105

It is the intention to run 3 races per day but, in the event of adverse weather conditions, this number may be varied accordingly, either reduced or increased. Competitors are requested to remain within hailing distance of the CV after each race when instructions will be given. The onus is on each competitor to make themselves acquainted with these instructions.

NOTE: For each Race a Sound Signal will be made 5 MINUTES before the Warning Signal for Class 1.

10. SAFETY AND INSURANCE

Each Yacht shall carry equipment as stated in the Class Rules and carry adequate Third Party Insurance. The R.Y.A recommendation is at least £2,000,000.

11. LIABILITY

The safety of a yacht and her entire management, including civil responsibility to Third Parties, shall be the sole responsibility of the Owner/Skipper racing the yacht. The acceptance of these sailing instructions in no way limits or reduces the complete responsibility of the Owner/Skipper for his/her crew, yacht, or equipment and the management thereof. The H.L.S.C. disclaim any and every responsibility for any loss, damage, injury, or inconvenience to persons, yachts, or associated subjects howsoever arising directly or indirectly, ashore or afloat, from their policy, rules or ruling during races and related activities.

12. HIGH WATER

Greenock High Water for each day

SATURDAY 11th September BST 0245 1522

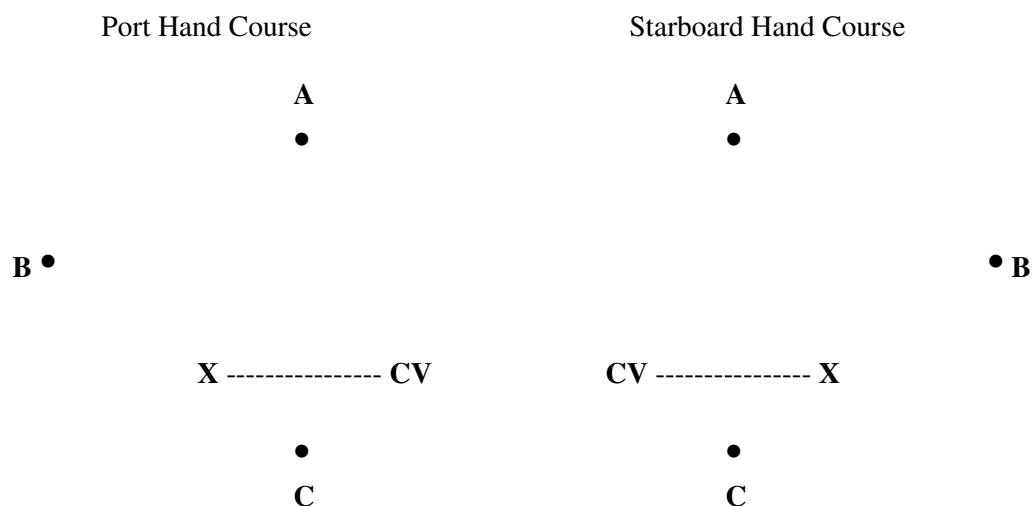
SUNDAY 12th September BST 0328 1600

13. COURSES

The Course Area will be at the head of the Holy Loch, west of the Holy Loch Marina main pier.

13.1 The diagrams and table below show the Courses, the order in which the marks are passed and the side on which each mark is to be left.

13.2 The Committee Vessel (CV) will display the number of rounds to be sailed. A RED FLAG will indicate that a PORT HAND COURSE is to be sailed while a GREEN FLAG will indicate that a STARBOARD HAND COURSE is to be sailed.



14. COURSE TABLE

	Port Hand Course	Starboard Hand Course
Round 1 and all subsequent	Starting Line	Starting Line
ODD numbered rounds	Mark A to Port	Mark A to Starboard
	Mark B to Port	Mark B to Starboard
	Mark C to Port	Mark C to Starboard
	Finish Line	Finish Line
Round 2 and all subsequent	Mark A to Port	Mark A to Starboard
EVEN numbered rounds	Mark C to Port	Mark C to Starboard
	Finish Line	Finish Line

15. MARKS

Marks A, B, and C will be the same colour and shape. Mark X will be a different colour and possibly a different shape.

16. STARTING AND FINISHING LINE

Between a mast/flagpole flying a Blue Flag on the CV and Mark X. In addition, an inner distance mark may be moored adjacent to the CV, and at the start all yachts must pass between this mark and Mark X. The Start/Finish Line will not rank as an obstruction for yachts on the course.