

HOLY LOCH SAILING CLUB "MARINE BLAST REGATTA" 11TH/12TH SEPTEMBER 2010

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS FLEET 3 WHITE SAIL KEELBOATS

1. RULES/RESPONSIBILITY

Races will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012 (RRS), the prescriptions of the R.Y.A., I.R.C., C.Y.C.A. Handicap Rules, Rules governing Individual Classes, and these Sailing Instructions. The safety and suitability of a Boat and Crew for the Regatta together with her entire management, including insurance, shall be the sole responsibility of the Owner/Person in Charge, who must ensure that the Boat and her Crew are adequate to face the conditions that may arise in the course of the Regatta. Neither these Sailing Instructions, nor any inspection of a Boat, limits or reduces the absolute responsibility of the Owner/Person in charge for the Crew, the Boat, and their management. The Regatta Organisers shall not be responsible for any loss, damage, death, or Personal injury howsoever caused to the Owner/Person in Charge, or Crew, as a result of their taking part in the Regatta. Third Party Insurance to the value of £2,000,000 must be carried.

2. RACES

There will be one Race on each day. All yachts will start together. The Start on SATURDAY will be at 1130 hrs, and on Sunday will be at 1030 hrs. A Time Signal will be made 5 minutes before the Class Warning Signal on both days. C.Y.C.A. handicap allowance will be applied. No yacht will be allowed to set spinnakers, twin headsails, and headsails which do not comply with RRS 50.4.

3. STARTING/FINISHING LINE

Between Blue Flag on Committee Vessel (CV) and inflatable Mark designated "X". An inner limit mark may be laid on or near the line. If this is in position it shall be left on the opposite hand to Mark "X".

4. STARTING

Race will be started using RRS 26. The Class Flag will be numeral Pennant 5. Competitors are requested to fly the Class Flag from their backstay.

5. TIME LIMIT

There will be a fixed Time Limit of Four Hours from a valid start. In addition to RRS 35, if one or more yachts finish before the Time Limit, then that Time Limit will be extended by 30 minutes for all yachts still racing.

6. LATE ARRIVAL

In alteration to RRS 42, any yacht arriving late in the vicinity of the Starting Line may remain under power after the Preparatory Signal provided that, after stopping her engine, she carries out two full 360° turns (i.e. 720°), on the prestart side of the line or its extensions. Whilst doing so, the yacht shall keep clear of all other yachts until she has completed her turns, and is on proper course.

7. POINTS SYSTEM

RRS Appendix A4.1, Low Points Scoring System will apply. There will be no discard.

8. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes to these Sailing Instructions will be indicated by displaying International Code Flag "L" on the CV and a VHF broadcast on Channel 37 (M1) will be made. Should a yacht not have a suitable VHF then communication will be made by Rescue Boat.

9. COURSES

The Course will be chosen from the following and the number of the Course to be sailed will be displayed on the CV. Enclosed with these Sailing Instructions is a Map, and key to Racing Marks.

COURSE 1	x	P	k	p	X			
COURSE 2	x	P	G	K	p	X		
COURSE 3	x	P	g	t	p		X	
COURSE 4	x	P	V	G	p	X		
COURSE 5	x	P	b	p	X			
COURSE 6	x	P	H	G	p	X		
COURSE 7	x	P	T	G	s	p		X
COURSE 8	x	P	f	T	D	p		X
COURSE 9	x	P	t	p	X			
COURSE 10	x	P	g	p	X			
COURSE 11	x	P	g	d	b	t	p	X

Red lower case pass to port

GREEN UPPER CASE PASS TO STARBOARD

10. PROTESTS

In alteration to RRS 61.3, protests shall be lodged with the Race Committee immediately after the finish of the race and will be heard in the Clubhouse as soon as possible thereafter.

11. RETIRALS and CLYDEPORT RESTRICTIONS

Competitors are reminded of Clydeport Operations Ltd. Byelaw which prohibits yachts and other craft from manoeuvring within 100 metres of any Ferry Terminal. Particular regard shall be paid to this when in the vicinity of Cal Mac and Western Ferries facilities at Dunoon, McInroy's Point, Hunters Quay, and Gourock. Any yachts reported to be in breach of this byelaw by the Ferry Operator, a fellow Competitor or a Third Party, will be proceeded against by the Race Committee, and may be disqualified. Helmsmen of yachts which retire are requested to inform the Race Committee on VHF Channel 37 (M1).

12. HIGH WATER

Greenock High Water for each day
SATURDAY 11th September BST 0245 1522
SUNDAY 12th September BST 0328 1600

