

Snettisham Beach
Sailing Club

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Dart 18 Open Meeting

(Issued 27/04/2018)

1. RULES

Racing will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing and the prescriptions of the RYA as published on the RYA Website and the individual class measurement rules except that.

1.1. Racing Rule 40 PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICES will be changed as follows: Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wet suits and dry suits are not personal flotation devices. This changes the rule in that the rule is always in force during racing and code flag Y need not be displayed to indicate this.

1.2. Racing Rule 44.3 Scoring Penalty will not apply.

1.3. If there is conflict between the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017 - 20, the rules of the Class Association, the Notice of the Race, and these Sailing Instructions, then the Sailing Instructions will prevail.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located on the First Floor of the Clubhouse or the Conservatory.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1100hrs on the day it will take effect, 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

Signals made ashore will be displayed as follows:

4.1 For Committee Boat Starts, signals will be made from the main flagstaff in front of the club.

4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore for Committee Boat Starts, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 15 minutes' before the race start sequence can commence.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

The schedule of Races will be published in the "Notice of Race" and any modifications to the schedule will be posted on the website and the official notice board.

6. CLASS FLAGS

The Class Flag for the Dart Open Meeting will be Code Flag D.

7. RACING AREAS

Racing will be carried out on the Sea directly to the West of the clubhouse.

7.1. The Diagram in addendum B of these instructions, describes the course options available to be sailed in this event. The designated course for each race will be displayed on the Committee Boat before the Class flag is displayed for each Race.

7.3. The following areas on the Sea are designated as obstructions: The fishing/launching area to the North of the club, between the yellow buoys and the beach.

8 THE COURSES

8.1 The course may be shortened and if so the following will apply:

A boat flying Flag F at a mark and making repeated sound signals, means 'after rounding this mark, boats should proceed directly to the finish line'. If flown at a leeward gate means 'after passing through the gate, proceed direct to the finish line.' This changes RRS 32.1 and 32.2. Flag 'S' may also be flown from the Committee Boat and/or the mark rounding boat.

8.2 The course marks will be as described in Addendum A.

9 THE START

9.1 Races will be started by using Rule 26 with the warning signal given 5 minutes before the starting signal.

Rule 26 Starting Races is:-

<u>Signal</u>	<u>Flag & Sound</u>	<u>Minutes before Starting Signal</u>
Warning	Class flag;	1 sound 5
Preparatory	P or I or Z or Z with I, U or Black flag;	1 sound 4
One-minute	Preparatory flag removed;	1 sound 1
Starting	Class flag removed.	1 sound 0

9.2 The starting line will be between the main mast displaying an orange flag on the committee boat at the starboard end, and a small temporary spherical buoy with an Orange Flag at the Port End.

9.3 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes RRS Appendix A4

9.4 Boats that have finished should avoid the finishing line until all boats racing have finished or retired.

9.6. TARGET RACE DURATION AND SHORTENING THE COURSE.

9.6.1. The target duration will be 40 minutes.

9.6.3. Boats failing to finish within 10 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes *may* be finished according to the following procedure.

The race committee award a finishing position to a boat that is still racing by displaying to her from a committee vessel (which may be in motion) flag W with one sound signal. A boat so notified is no longer required to sail the course (changing rule 28.1), shall stop racing and shall return to the starting area, or return ashore if there is no more racing. A boat's finishing position under this sailing instruction will be the position she would have received had she sailed the course and finished within any time limit, without gaining or losing any place. However, when two or more boats that are overlapped are notified, they will be scored as if they were tied.

10. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

The Exoneration Penalty and the Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration procedures of the RYA Rules Disputes procedures shall apply. The outcome of an RYA Arbitration can be referred to a protest committee, but an arbitration cannot be reopened or appealed. See the Official Notice Board for details. An Advisory hearing will be conducted with out Fee.

In the event that a full Protest hearing is selected, a refundable fee of £10.00, refundable in the event that the Protestor is successful in their hearing. Fees collected in this way will in full, form a donation to the RNLI.

11. SCORING

11.1. The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A shall apply.

11.2 Ties will be broken in accordance with RRS Appendix A8

11.2. At least 1 race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

12.3. RACES TO COUNT AND DISCARDS

- 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 or 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

13 SAFETY REGULATIONS

13.1 A Tally system may be invoked on the day should conditions dictate. If the Tally system is invoked it will be stated on the Official Noticeboard before commencement of the event briefing.

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

14. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without the prior written approval of the race committee (relative weights will be considered). A Dart entered as either single-handed, or two-up, shall only race in the mode in which the first race is sailed, unless there are exceptional circumstances.

15. PRIZES

Shall be awarded as detailed in the “Notice of Race”

16. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The club 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.

17. TRASH DISPOSAL

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

18. INSURANCE

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

Addendum A (page 1)
Course 1

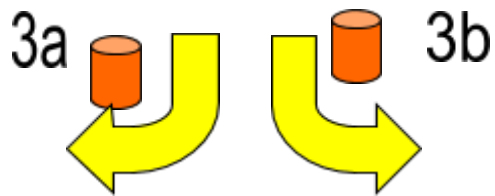
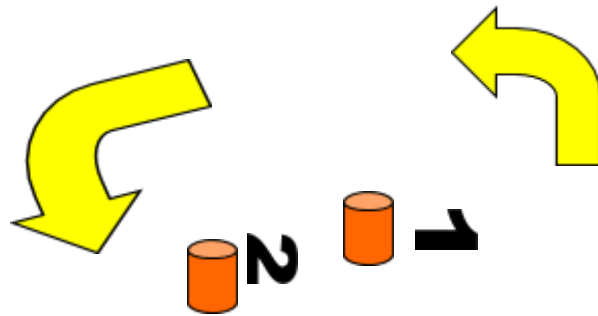
COURSE DIAGRAM

Rounding
Order

1p,2p,Gate (3a/3b)

1p,2p,Gate (3a/3b)

1p,2p,Gate (3a/3b), F



Addendum A (Page 2) COURSE DIAGRAMS

Course 2

This course will be sailed if Pennant 2 is flown from the Committee Boat at least 2 minutes prior to the warning signal.

Rounding

Order

1p,2p,4p

1p,3p, 4p

1p,2p,4p, F

