

Rooster Southern Traveler Autumn 2023

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

3rd September 2023

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and the prescriptions of ITCA (GBR).

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted at least one hour before the start of the first race 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.



It will be signaled by displaying flag L ashore:

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

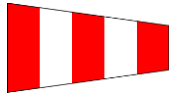
- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official noticeboard located in the club house.
- 3.2 The race office is located at the Club house, telephone 01329664843.
- 3.3 From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.
- 3.4 A competitors briefing will be held in the club house at 1130
- 3.5 The online official event WhatsApp communication group is available on: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/GtEHYDkkqln7DXM2ZgY4HE>

4 CODE OF CONDUCT

- 4.1 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.
- 4.2 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall place advertising provided by the organising authority with care, seamanship, in accordance with any instructions for its use and without interfering with its functionality.

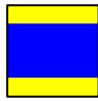
5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at Club House from the Main mast.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in Race Signals AP.



Flag AP:

- 5.3 [DP] Flag D with one sound means 'Boats shall not leave the shore until this signal is made. The warning signal will not be made before the scheduled time or less than 30 minutes after flag D is displayed.'



Flag D:

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1 4 races are planned for the 3rd September.
- 6.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1245.
- 6.4 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.

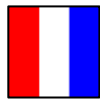


Orange Flag:

- 6.5 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1615.

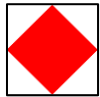
7 CLASS FLAGS

- 7.1 The Topper 5.3 Class flag is International Code Flag T.



Flag T:

- 7.2 The Topper 4.2 Class flag is International Code Flag F.



Flag F:

- 7.3 Both fleets will start separately.

8 RACING AREA

- 8.1 The racing area will be directly in the vicinity of Hill Head Sailing Club and is shown in SI Addendum A

9 COURSES

- 9.1 The diagram in SI Addendum B shows the course, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 9.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel may display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.
- 9.3 The course will be displayed on a board on the committee vessel.
- 9.4 Legs of the course will not be changed after the preparatory signal. This changes RRS 33.

10 MARKS

- 10.1 Marks are inflatable orange or yellow cylinders.
- 10.2 The Outer distance mark for the start line will be a pink Spherical mark.
- 10.3 The Outer distance mark for the finish line will be a yellow/cream spherical mark.

11 OBSTRUCTIONS

- 11.1 The following area is designated as an obstruction:

The area along the foreshore extending approx. 50m is designated as a swimming area and boats should not enter this area. This has been shown in SI Addendum A

12 THE START

- 12.1 Races will be started using RRS 26 as shown in SI Addendum C
- 12.2 The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the committee vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 12.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 12.4 A boat that does not start within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

13 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

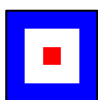
- 13.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark or the finishing line to a new position.

14 THE FINISH

- 14.1 The finishing line is between a staff displaying a blue flag on the finishing mark at the starboard end and the course side of the port end finishing mark.

Blue Flag: 

- 14.2 The Race Committee may give a score to any boat that is still racing by displaying flag W to her from an official vessel (which may be in motion) with two sounds. A boat's score in these circumstances will be the place 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. They are no longer required to complete the course. This amends RRS 28.1. The decision by the race committee to use this procedure or not to use it shall not be grounds for requesting redress. This changes rules 60.1(b) and 62.1(a).



Flag W:

15 TIME LIMITS [AND TARGET TIMES]

- 15.1 The Mark 1 Time Limit, Race Time Limit (see RRS 35), race target time and the Finishing Window are shown in the table below.

Mark 1 Time Limit	Race Time Limit	Race Target Time	Finishing Window
20 mins	60 mins	30 mins	15 mins

- 15.2 If no boat has passed the first mark within the Mark 1 Time Limit, the race will be abandoned.
- 15.3 The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalised or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. A boat scored TLE shall be scored points for the finishing place [one][two] more than the points scored by the last boat that finished within the Finishing Window. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.
- 15.4 Failure to meet the Target Time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

16 HEARING REQUESTS

- 16.1 The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the last boat finishes the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The time will be posted on the official notice board.
- 16.2 Hearing request forms are available from the race office.
- 16.3 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, located at Club house beginning at the time posted.

17 SCORING

- 17.1 The scoring system is Appendix A.
- 17.2 1 race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 17.3 A boat's series score is the total of her race scores excluding her 1 worst score.
- 17.4 When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores.

18 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 18.1 Boats shall 'tally out' before launching and 'tally in' immediately on returning ashore.
- 18.2 The Tally Board will be located adjacent to the slipway. Individual Tally Numbers will be issued at registration.
- 18.3 Boats that fail to 'tally out' will be considered to have remained ashore and will be ineligible to race.
- 18.4 Boats that fail to 'tally in' before the Tally Board closes will be penalized with a DNE (Disqualified, not discardable) for the last race of the day. The Tally Board will close 15 minutes after the last boat returns to shore.
- 18.5 Competitors shall wear adequate personal buoyancy at all times whilst afloat.
- 18.6 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible and shall not leave the Race Area without the permission of the Race Committee

19 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 19.1 Not used.

20 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 20.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, notice of race and sailing instructions.

21 SUPPLIED BOATS

- 21.1 Not used

22 OFFICIAL VESSELS

- 22.1 The Committee vessel will be a white fiberglass boat. The committee vessel shall act as the start and finish boat.

23 [DP] SUPPORT TEAMS

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

24 TRASH DISPOSAL

24.1 Trash may be placed aboard official vessels.

25 BERTHING

25.1 [DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while in the boat park.

26 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

26.1 Not used

27 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

27.1 Not used

28 PRIZES

28.1 Prizes will be given as follows:

4.2 fleet boys	1st, 2nd, 3rd
4.2 fleet girls	1st, 2nd, 3rd
5.3 fleet boys	1st, 2nd, 3rd
5.3 fleet girls	1st, 2nd, 3rd

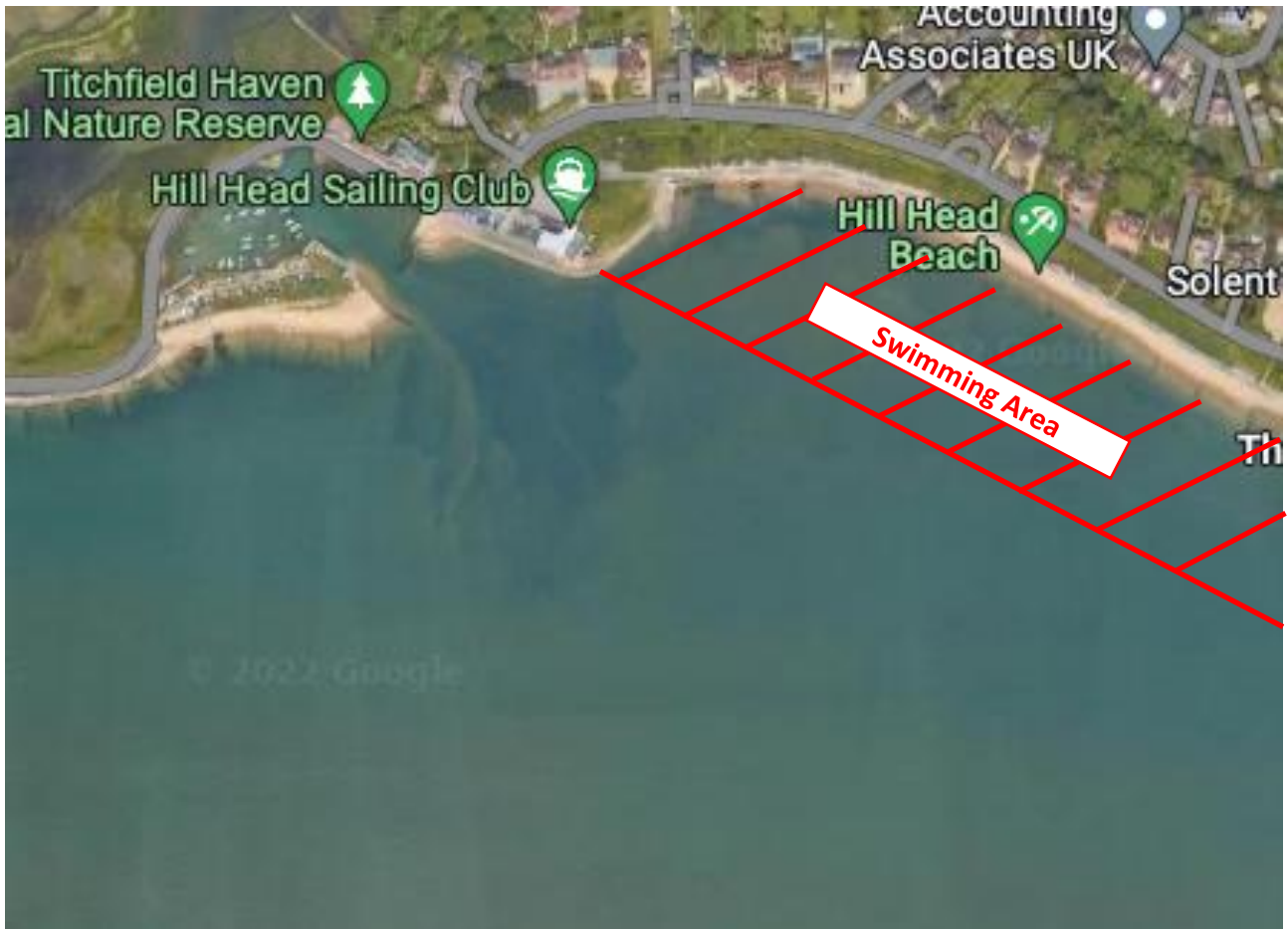
29 RISK STATEMENT

29.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

30 INSURANCE

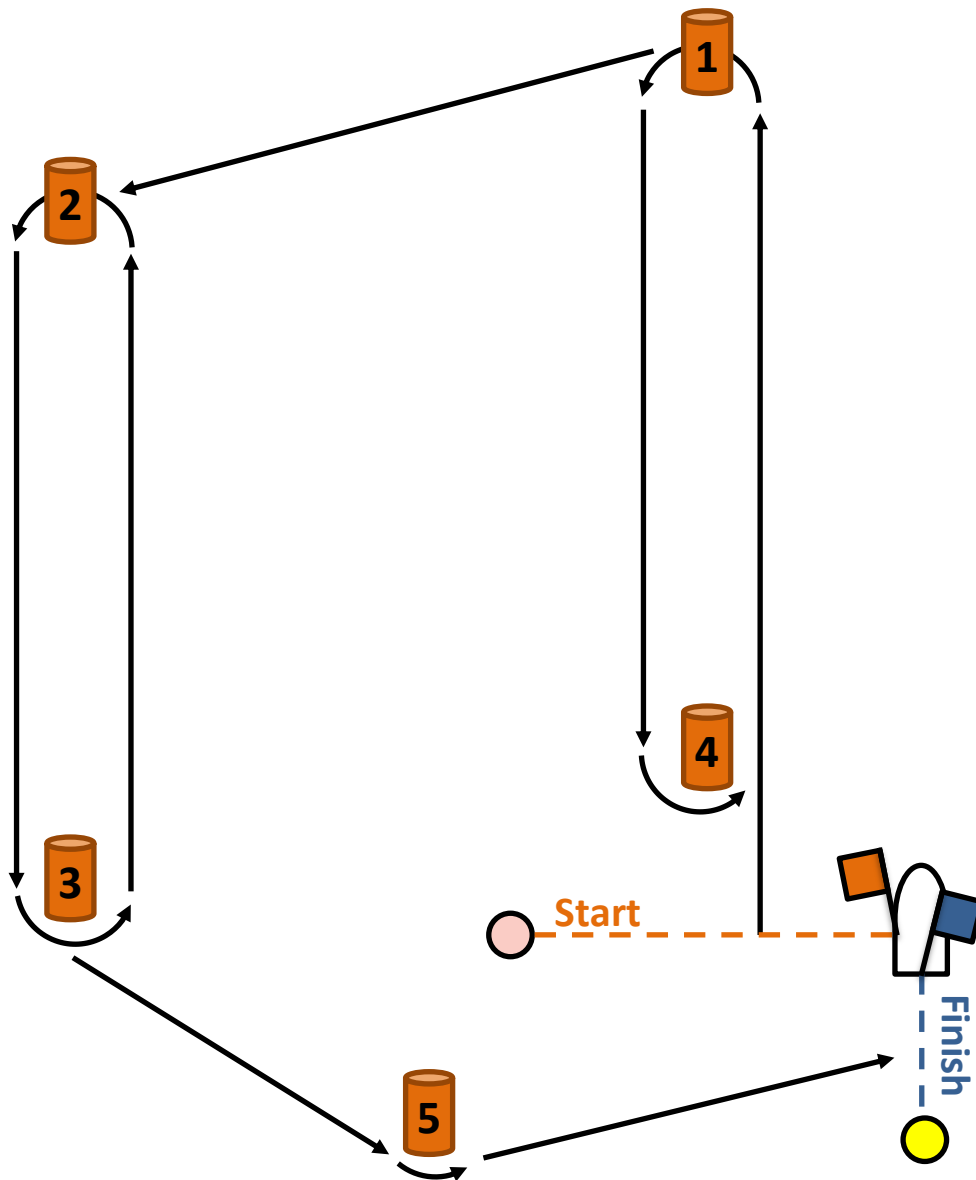
30.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £5,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

SI ADDENDUM A Sailing Area














SI ADDENDUM B Course configurations

Course signal	Course
O1 or I1	1(P), 2(P), 3(P), 5(P), Finish
O2	1(P), 2(P), 3(P), 2(P), 3(P), 5(P), Finish
O3	1(P), 2(P), 3(P), 2(P), 3(P), 2(P), 3(P), 5(P), Finish
I2	1(P), 4(P), 1(P), 2(P), 3(P), 5(P), Finish
I3	1(P), 4(P), 1(P), 4(P), 1(P), 2(P), 3(P), 5(P), Finish



SI ADDENDUM C Starting

Title	Minutes Before Start	Flag	Possible Flags	Sound
Warning Signal	5	Class Flag ↑	 	 1 Short
Preparatory Signal	4	Preparatory Flag ↑	    	 1 Short
One Minute Signal	1	Preparatory Flag ↓		 1 Long
Starting Signal	0	Class Flag ↓		 1 Short