Paignton Sailing Club
Sailing Instructions

ITCA (GBR) South West Topper Traveller
Paignton Sailing Club (PSC), South Quay, Paignton Harbour, Devon, TQ4 6DT
Sunday 10th September 2017

1. Rules
1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing.*
1.2. The PSC bylaws will also apply.
1.3. In the event of a conflict between the Sailing Instructions and the Notice Of Race, the Sailing Instructions shall take precedence.

2. Notice To Competitors
2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the main club room on the first floor of Paignton Sailing Club.

3. Changes To Sailing Instructions
3.1. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted at least sixty minutes before the start of the first race affected on the day it will take effect.

4. Signals Made Ashore
4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flag pole on top of Paignton Sailing Club.
4.2. Signals may also be displayed on the South Green but these are indicative only and sailors are advised to check the main flag pole. Errors, contradictions or anomalies made on this secondary pole will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).
4.3. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP.
4.4. Adequate personal buoyancy shall be worn by all competitors whilst afloat or on the foreshore near the water. Flag Y will not be flown. Lifejackets without permanent buoyancy shall be suitably inflated. Wet or dry suits are not adequate personal buoyancy. This changes Rule 40.
4.5. Boats shall not go afloat until flag D is displayed by a member of the Race Committee on either the beach or the green. Flag D may not be displayed on the primary flag pole.

5. Schedule Of Races
5.1. Registration: 08:30 – 09:30 on Sunday 10th September 2017.
5.2. Competitors briefing: 09:30 on Sunday 10th September 2017.
5.3. Racing: First warning signal – 10:55 on Sunday 10th September 2017 – 4 races back-to-back.
5.1 No more than 4 races will be sailed throughout the championship.
5.2 For the first race of the day, or after a long delay to racing, 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.

6 Class Flags
6.1 The class flag shall be flag T.

7 Racing Areas
7.1 Attachment A shows the location of the racing area.

8 The Courses
8.1 The diagram in Attachment B shows the courses which may be sailed, 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.
8.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee boat will display a signal board indicating the course and number of laps to be sailed as described in Attachment B. The approximate compass bearing to the first mark may also be displayed.

9 Marks
9.1 All rounding marks will be orange buoys – either cylindrical or dumpy.
9.2 New marks, as provided in SI 12.1, will be cylindrical yellow pillar buoys.
9.3 The start marks will be the committee boat at the starboard end and a yellow pencil mark at the port end.
9.4 The finishing marks will be the committee boat at the starboard end and a yellow pencil mark at the port end.

10   Areas That Are Obstructions

10.1 No boat shall pass between the East Cardinal mark off Roundham head (see Attachment A) and the shore before, whilst or after racing.

11   The Start

11.1 The starting line will be between the mast displaying the orange flag on the starting mark at the starboard end, and the starting mark at the port end.

11.2 A boat starting later than four minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4.

12   Change Of The Next Leg Of The Course

12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the Race Committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position or lay a new mark. When a new mark is laid, the original mark will be removed as soon as possible. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

12.2 The Race Committee may move a mark (or the finishing line) up to 100m without signalling the change. This changes Rule 33. If a new mark is laid, the change will be signalled.

13   The Finish

13.1 The finishing line will be between the mast displaying the orange flag on the finishing mark at the starboard end, and the finishing mark at the port end.

13.2 Boats may be finished on the course. Flag W will be displayed and the boat's sail number called. This changed Rule 35. Boats finished under this rule shall be given a finishing place after all boats which have finished or are ahead of her on the course at the time.

14   Penalty System – not applicable

15   Time Limits And Target Times

15.1 The target time for each race is 35 minutes. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

15.2 If no boat has reached the first mark within 20 minutes the race shall be abandoned. This shall not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

16   Protests And Requests For Redress

16.1 Protest forms are available in the Race Office on the second floor of Paignton Sailing Club. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

16.2 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat comes ashore after the last race of the day or 60 minutes after the Race Committee signals no more racing today, if the fleet are already ashore.

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 witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located on the second floor of Paignton Sailing Club.

16.4 Notices of protests by the Race Committee or Protest Committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).

16.5 Breaches of SI 18, 21, 23, 24 and 27 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a).

16.6 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.

16.7 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.

17   Scoring

17.1 1 race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

17.2 When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

17.3 When 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

18   Safety Regulations

18.1 All competitors will receive a tally number at the beginning of the event. Before going afloat at any time during the event, all competitors must take the tally band corresponding to that number and wear it on their wrist

ensuring it is visible at all times. No longer than 15 minutes after returning ashore at any time during the event, all competitors must return their tally band to the board. The tally board will be located near the slipway used for launching.

18.2 A boat that retired from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

19 Replacement Of Crew Or Equipment

19.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed.

19.2 All boats must display on their mainsail their own sail number with which they were entered, except by prior permission of the Race Committee.

20 Equipment And Measurement Checks – not applicable

21 Event Advertising

21.1 Event sponsors advertising may be supplied and required to be displayed in a position to be specified at registration.

22 Official Boats

22.1 Official boats may fly a flag designating their purpose.

23 Support Boats

23.1 Support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boats have finished or retired or the Race Committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

23.2 Support boats must register before going afloat in the race office on the second floor of Paignton Sailing Club where they may be given a flag designating their purpose. If they are given a flag, they shall be required to display it at all times whilst afloat.

24 Trash Disposal

24.1 Litter may be placed aboard support or official boats.

25 Haul-out Restrictions – Not Applicable

26 Diving Equipment And Plastic Pools – Not Applicable

27 Radio Communication

27.1 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.

28 Prizes

28.1 Prizes shall be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

29 Disclaimer Of Liability

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

30 Insurance

30.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2 million per incident or the equivalent.
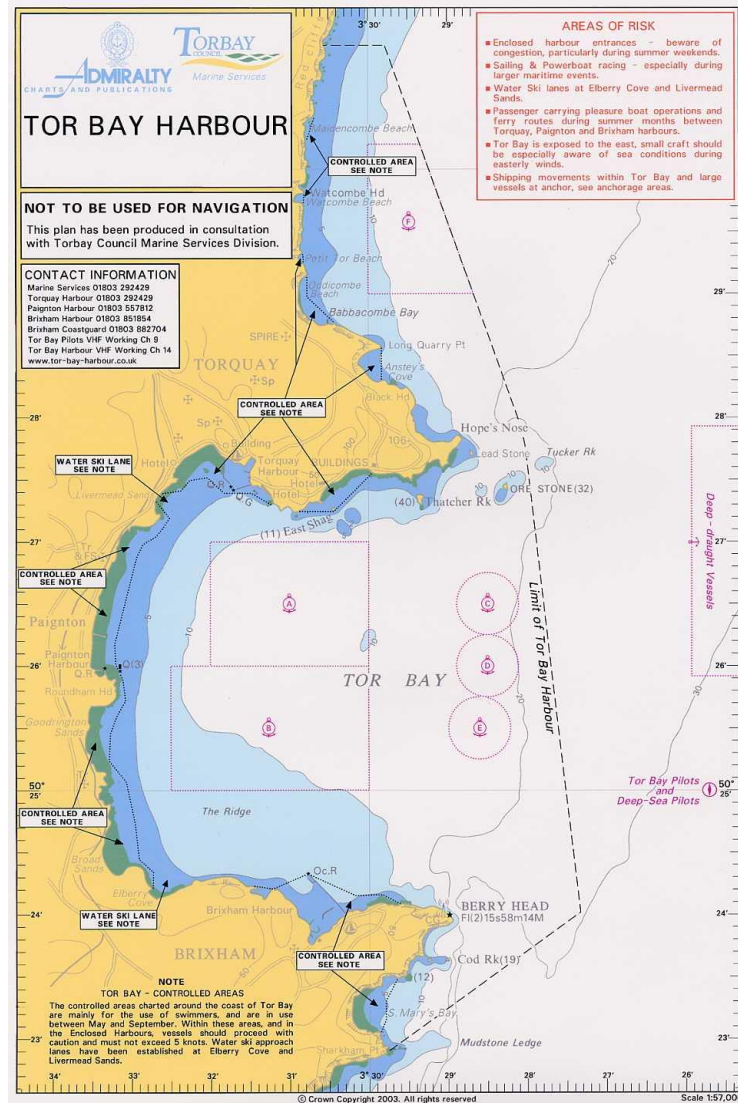
Attachment A:

Chart showing the boundaries of Tor Bay harbour in which a race course may be set.

Attachment B:
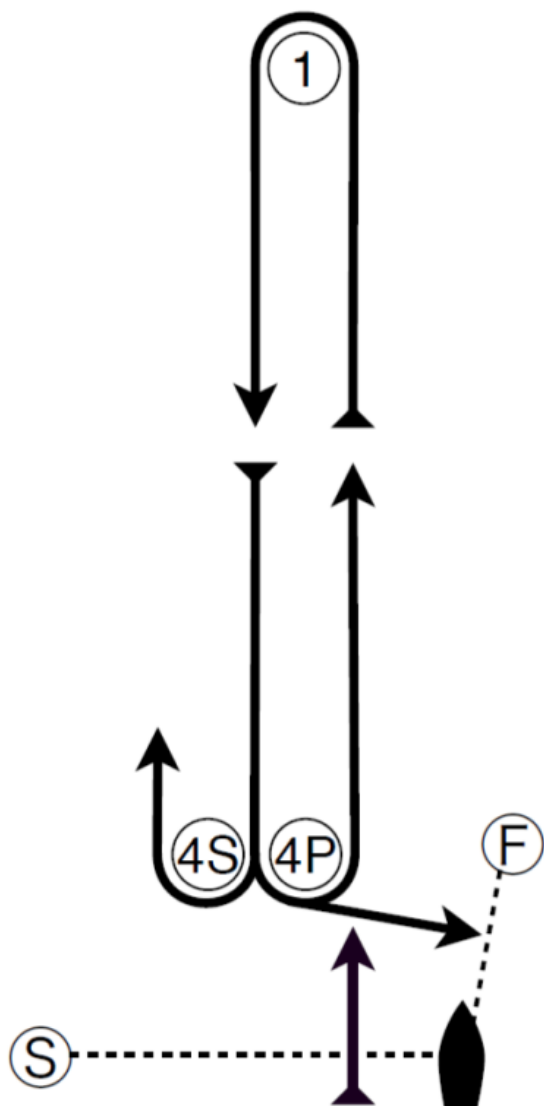
Course 'L':

Signal:	Number of beats:	Course:
L1	1	Start – 1 – 4P - Finish
L2	2	Start – 1 – 4P/S – 1 – 4P - Finish
L3	3	Start – 1 – 4P/S – 1 – 4P/S – 1 – 4P – Finish
L4	4	Start – 1 – 4P/S – 1 – 4P/S – 1 – 4P/S – 1 – 4P - Finish
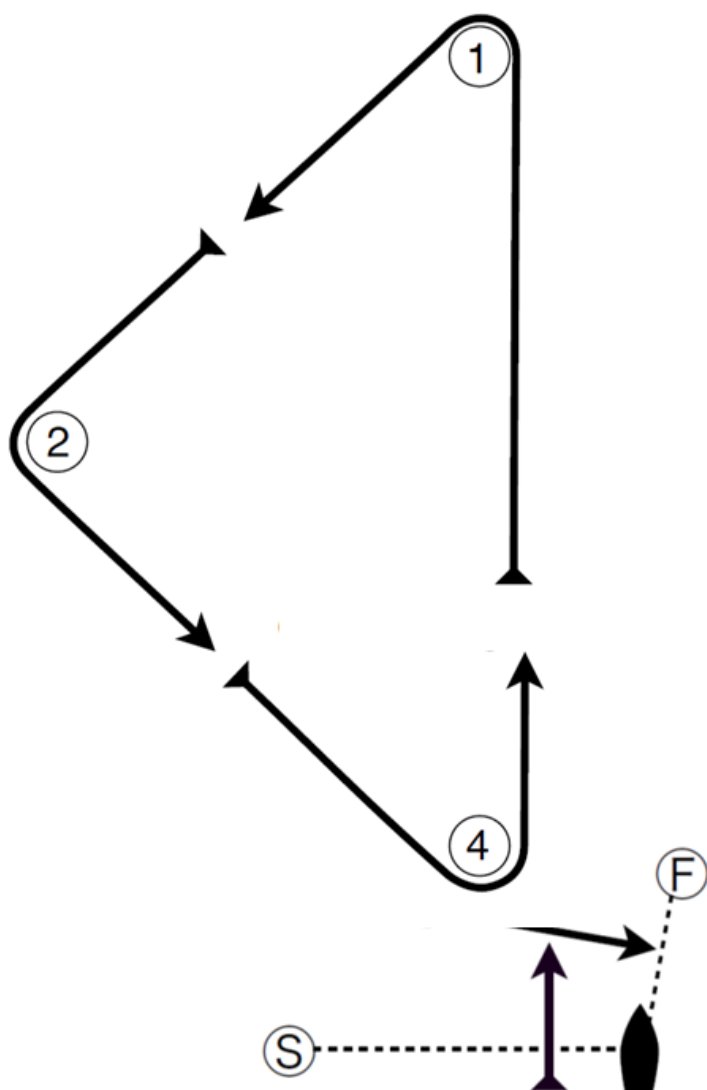
Course 'T':

Signal:	Number of beats:	Course:
T1	1	Start – 1 – 2 – 4 – Finish
T2	2	Start – 1 – 2 – 4 – 1 – 2 – 4 – Finish
T3	3	Start – 1 – 2 – 4 – 1 – 2 – 4 – 1 – 2 – 4 – Finish
T4	4	Start – 1 – 2 – 4 – 1 – 2 – 4 – 1 – 2 – 4 – 1 – 2 – 4 - Finish
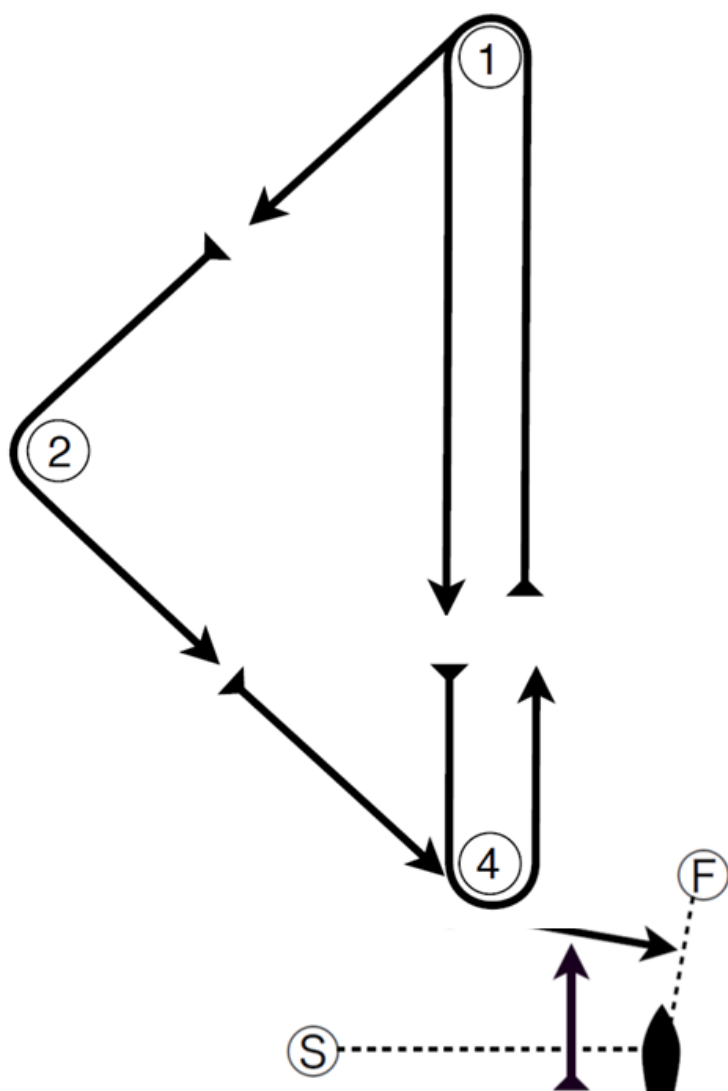
Course 'O':

Signal:	Number of beats:	Course:
O2	2	Start – 1 – 2 – 4 – 1 – 4 - Finish
O3	3	Start – 1 – 2 – 4 – 1 – 4 – 1 – 2 – 4 – Finish
O4	4	Start – 1 – 2 – 4 – 1 – 4 – 1 – 2 – 4 – 1 – 4 - Finish