Warsash Sailing Club Dinghy Championship July 22 2023 Sailing Instructions

1. RULES

The '**rules**' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) shall apply. The standard WSC Dinghy Sailing Instructions 2023-4 v.VI June 2023 and Club Championships Notice of Race will apply, where there is difference these sailing instructions shall apply.

2. SCHEDULE OF RACES

Sat 12:45 briefing in Shore House garden

Sat 14:00 for the first start signal with up to 4 races for Superfast, Fast, Medium, Slow handicap fleets & for Optimist and RS Tera fleets

3. COMMITTEE BOATS

Warsash Race Control will be the WSC launch Lobster or Club RHIB and will display a yellow Warsash Committee flag, race support will also be provided by WSC RHIBS, which may be used at a start or the finish.

4. COURSES

Races will start from a committee boat in Cat Head Bay.

Courses will be a series of rounds to be sailed in the order as described below. The course shall be repeated until Flag 'S' is displayed.

The course will be displayed on a board on the Committee Boat.

5. COMMITTEE BOAT STARTING AND FINISHING LINES

The start line will be between the mast of the Committee Boat flying an orange flag and outer limit dan buoy flying an orange flag.

The finish line will be the same as the start line except that 'S' flag will denote the committee boat end of the line.

All boats shall go through the finish line on each lap.

6. CHANGE OF COURSE AFTER THE START (CHANGING RRS 33)

Marks may be moved without a signal providing they are in their new position before the leading boat rounds the previous mark.

7. MARKS

Marks 1, 1a, 2, 3 & 4 will be orange, Mark 5 will be black.

8. STARTING

The 3, 2, 1, Go, start sequence as described in Rule 26 shall apply for all races. Starts will be at 3-minute intervals.

Optimists & RS Tera SPORTs will use 'O' (Oscar) as their class flag. Starts may be combined.

If there is a general recall for the start containing the superfast fleet, the starting sequence will be re-started. If there is a general recall in a subsequent start, then that start will wait until all other classes have started.

9. SAFETY

All dinghies shall sign on in accordance with the WSC Dinghy Sailing Instructions 2023-4 v.VI June 2023 and carry an appropriate tow rope as defined in the WSC Dinghy Sailing Instructions 2023-4 v.VI June 2023.

10. PROTESTS OR REQUESTS FOR REDRESS (changing RRS 60.1 and 63.1) Boats shall inform the Committee Boat at the finish of the race that they intend to protest in that race. The written protest shall be handed to the race officer in Shore House within 30 minutes of the last boat returning ashore. A hearing will be arranged at the earliest opportunity, before the final results can be announced. (Protest forms are available in Lobster Clubhouse)

11. SCORING AND HANDICAPS

Except for the Optimists and RS Tera SPORTs who will race as classes, the Portsmouth Yardstick handicap system with average lap times will be used. There will be 1 discard if 4 races are sailed.

Course Layout

1a 1

2

• 5

3



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Course to sail

The course layout is not to scale and shows the approximate lengths and angles between the marks.

The course will be displayed on a board on the Committee Boat.

Each boat shall pass through the finish line on each lap.

One lap comprises::

 $\mathbf{Q} - 1$, 2, 3, 4, finish – for the handicap classes

Q – 5, 2, 3, 4, finish – for the Optimist and RS Tera classes

WL – 1,1a, 4 finish – for the handicap classes

WL - 5, 4, finish – for the Optimist and RS Tera classes