



## SAIDA CUP

Saturday 13th and Sunday 14th May 2017  
Royal Thames Yacht Club Ltd  
Cowes, England

### SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

#### Cowes Tide Tables

##### 13<sup>th</sup> May

Low Water	06.51hrs	1.00m
High Water	13.20hrs	4.00m
Low Water	19.05hrs	1.10m

##### 14<sup>th</sup> May

High Water	01.28hrs	4.00m
Low Water	07.18hrs	1.00m
High Water	13.51hrs	3.90m

All times are BST

#### 1. RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by

1.1.1 the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

1.1.2 The Associated British Ports Southampton Byelaws current at the start of the first race of the event apply

1.2 Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty except where the breach of the rule occurs within the Zone.

1.3 Boats shall comply with Associated British Ports Notice to Mariners No 3 of 2016: The Moving Prohibited Zone in the Precautionary Area which shall rank as an obstruction for the purposes of rules 19 and 20. Boats shall avoid close quarters with any commercial vessel.

1.4 Boat shall not anchor or kedge in Cowes Harbour fairway.

#### 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at Cowes Yacht Haven.

#### 3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 on the day before it will take effect.

#### 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at Cowes Yacht Haven.

4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP.

#### 5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 Racing days will be Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May and Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2017.

5.2 It is intended that there will be three races per day; however more than three races may be run on any one day if the Race Committee so decides. Any such decision shall not be the subject of a request for redress changing Rules 60.1 (b) and 62.

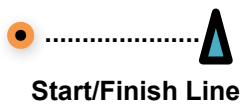
- 5.3** There will be a briefing at 09.00 at Cowes Yacht Haven on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May for all competitors
- 5.4** The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May is 10.55. On Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May it is 10.25.
- 5.5** To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound five minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 5.6** On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 1430, unless there is a postponement or general recall during a starting sequence.
- 6** **CLASS FLAGS**  
Class flag will be International Code Flag E.
- 7** **RACING AREAS**
- 7.1** Racing area will be in the Central Solent and further described in the briefing.
- 8** **THE COURSES**
- 8.1** The courses are described in Addendum A.
- 8.2** No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg and an IC Numeral Pennant 1 or 2 indicating the course to be sailed.
- 9** **MARKS**
- 9.1** Marks 1, 2, and the Gate Marks will be orange inflatable marks.
- 9.2** The new Mark 1, as provided in instruction 11.1, will be a black inflatable mark.
- 9.3** If a new gate Mark is laid it will be an orange inflatable mark
- 9.3** The starting and finishing marks will be dan buoys.
- 10** **THE START**
- 10.1** The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Committee Boat and the course side of the starting mark.
- 10.2** A boat starting later than five minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4.
- 11** **CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**
- 11.1** To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original orange mark.
- 11.2** If a new windward mark is laid by the race committee, no spreader mark, shown in Addendum A as mark 2, may be laid, in which case boats shall sail directly from the new windward mark to the Gate.
- 11.3** If for any reason one of the gate marks is not in position the other gate mark will be passed to port.
- 12** **THE FINISH**
- 12.1** The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Committee Boat and the course side of the finishing mark.
- 13** **TIME LIMITS**
- 13.1** The Time limit shall be 75 minutes.
- 13.2** Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.
- 14** **PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**
- 14.1** Protest forms are available at the race office, located at Cowes Yacht Haven. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 14.2** The protest time limit is 90minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.

- 14.3** Protests will be heard at the Royal Thames Yacht Club on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2017. Parties will be notified of the times of hearings by email or otherwise not later than 2100 on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2017.
- 14.4** Breaches of instructions 16 and 20 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification (including no penalty) if the protest committee so decides.
- 15** **SCORING**
- 15.1** Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.2** (a) When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores  
(b) When five or more race have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 16** **SAFETY REGULATIONS**
- 16.1** A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 17** **REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**
- 17.1** Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.
- 17.2** Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 18** **EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**
- A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.
- 19** **HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**
- Keelboats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.
- 20** **DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS**
- Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around keelboats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.
- 21** **RADIO COMMUNICATION**
- 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. The Race Committee will communicate with competitors on a radio channel to be announced at the briefing.

## **ADDENDUM A**

### **THE COURSES**

**Course 1**



Start - Mark 1 - Mark 2 - Gate - Mark 1 - Mark 2 - Finish

**Course 2**



Start – Mark 1 – Mark 2 – Gate – Mark 1 – Mark 2 – Gate – Finish