

# WFSA SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

## Conditions of Entry

- 1 1.1 All WFSA members and visiting competitors entering any event organised by WFSA do so entirely at their own personal safety risk.
- 1.2 All competitors must sign on, in the WFSA Logbook, in the clubhouse prior to going afloat. This will constitute a declaration that the helmsman agrees to sail according to RRS 2025 - 2028. and WFSA rules and that the entrant carries full racing and third party insurance.

## Courses, starting and finishing

- 2 2.1 The race course, start times and any changes to these instructions will be displayed on the Club noticeboard. Please note areas of the lake that are out of bounds.
- 2.2 Where race signals are displayed, flags may be replaced by boards of the same shape and colour
- 2.3 The start line will be an imaginary line in transit between the orange mast and the Club flagpole. The extent of the line will be from the shore to the course side of the distance mark.
- 2.4 The finishing line will be an imaginary line between the Club flagpole and the course side of mark 7.
- 2.5 Starting signals will be indicated by red, white and blue starting boards and a sound signal. First start (Handicap) - the **red** board is displayed at the 6 minute signal, a blank is displayed 30 seconds prior to the **white** three minute signal, and a further blank is displayed 30 seconds prior to the **blue** start signal. The sequence then continues for any further starts or restarts. This changes Rule 26.
- 2.6 The Race Officer may postpone or abandon a race prior to the start signal, see Rule 27.3. The sound signal will be made, and flags displayed, on or near the orange start line mast.
- 2.7 Individual recalls will be indicated by a further sound signal and the display of **Flag 'X'**. Responsibility for restarting rests with the competitors concerned. if possible, sail numbers will be called out but failure to hail, or to hear a hail, shall not be cause for redress.
- 2.8 General recalls will be indicated by two further sound signals and the display of **Flag 'First Substitute'**. The warning Signal (Red board, see 2.5 above) for the recalled fleet shall be made 1 minute after the First Substitute is removed (one sound). This changes Rule 29.2.
- 2.9 Time limit for any race will be 90 minutes. Late finishers will record as **TLE** (Time Limit Expired). At the Race Officer's discretion results may be taken from an earlier lap.

## Scoring

- 3 3.1 The scoring system will be the low point system of Appendix A of the RRS. It is the boat owner/owners, or one appointed helmsperson per race series who score, not the boat. Changes of boat are allowed within a long series but to continue a score a competitor must race only one class of boat or sub-group of a restricted class of boat.
- 3.2 Other scoring for Club series races,  
**DNC** or **DNS** - number of boats in the **series** plus 1

**DSQ** - number of boats in that **race** plus 2

**DNF, RTD, OCS, TLE** and **NSC** - number of boats in that **race** plus 1

- 3.4 Overall ties will be broken by RRS A8.1 and A8.2. The number of races to count for a series shall be half the number of races sailed plus 1, rounded down.
- 3.5 Race Officer, recorders and safety boat crews are normally covered by volunteers. If a ballot is required to appoint someone to cover these duties, then the ballot winner is awarded 3 points for the race thus missed. Within any race series a previous ballot winner is excluded from any further ballot which may be called.

### **Protests**

- 4 4.1 Protests must be lodged with the Race Officer within 30 minutes of finishing. Protest forms are available in the Clubhouse.

## **General Racing Notices**

### **Members**

- 1 1.1 Members are reminded that no race points will be awarded unless all Club fees and subscriptions have been paid.
- 1.2 In the interests of safety, you must inform the race officer if you retire.
- 1.3 The plan of the lake and the course are displayed on the wall.

### **Visitors**

- 2 2.1 All visitors must be signed in by a current WFSA member.
- 2.2 Only two such visits may be made per season by any non-member. Full membership will be required for any further sailing.
- 2.3 The race log must be annotated "visitor" and countersigned by a WFSA member.
- 2.4 No points for series racing will be awarded to any visitor. Race points will be awarded as if the visitor did not race.