



# DARTMOUTH ROYAL REGATTA SAILING WEEK

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## **DINGHY SERIES**

Saturday 24th to Tuesday 27th August 2024

to be held at

**Dittisham Sailing Club**

## **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

*The notation [DP] in a rule means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may be at the discretion of the protest committee. This changes RRS 64.2*

*All times in this document are BST (UTC+1)*

### **1 RULES**

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing. Other rules are defined in the Notice of Race.
- 1.2 In the event of any conflict between the NoR and SI's, the SI's shall prevail.

### **2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted 1 hour before the first race of the day on the day it will take effect except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted on the official notice board within 90minutes of the last boat finishing the last race of the day prior to the change.

### **3 COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS**

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at Dittisham Sailing Club (DSC).

- 3.2 The race office during the event is located at Dittisham Sailing Club. In an emergency during the event, telephone 07564 833165.
- 3.3 A briefing will be held approximately 30 minutes before the first race of the day.  
***Important advisory note: The day's courses will be advised at the briefing therefore it is essential it is attended.***

#### 4 CODE OF CONDUCT

[DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

#### 5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 The class flags and time of first warning signal on the first day is shown in the table below.
- 5.2 The race committee reserves the right to modify the following schedule according to entries, weather conditions and other unforeseen reasons.

Class	Class flag	Warning signal Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup> August
PY Handicap (Fast)	Flag H	09:40
Laser (Standard rig & Radial rig - combined start, separate results)	Laser flag	09:43
National Solo	Solo flag	09:46
PY Handicap (Slow)	Numeral 2	09:49

- 5.3 First warning signal times for subsequent days will be confirmed at the previous days briefing and posted on the official notice board, but will not be earlier than above.

*Advisory note: First warning signals will be influenced by tide times as detailed in the following table:*

Day	HW	Height (m)	LW	Height (m)
Sat 24 August	10:16	4.8	15:58	0.6
Sun 25 August	10:53	4.6	16:35	0.9
Mon 26 August	11:31	4.3	17:16	1.4
Tue 27 August	12:19	3.9	18:09	1.9

*Note the above data is for Dartmouth – tide times at Dittisham may be slightly later.*

- 5.4 Number of races: There will be two scheduled races per day for all classes, except that a single Long River Race may be held on one of the days if conditions are suitable. The latter race, if held, will count as two races for scoring purposes. See SI14 (Scoring) for further details. The first race on one of the days may be run as a

Pursuit Race if conditions are suitable. The starting sequence for this will be announced at the daily briefing.

- 5.5 Second or subsequent races will be signalled as soon as possible after completion of the previous race.
- 5.6 The race committee reserves the right to run additional races because of prevailing or predicted weather conditions or for any other reason. Additional races will be announced at the daily briefing.

## 6 RACING AREA

- 6.1 The racing area is shown in the Notice of Race.
- 6.2 The race area for the Long River Race, if held, will be advised at the daily briefing.

## 7 COURSES

To make best use of the conditions courses will be advised at the daily briefing.

## 8 MARKS

- 8.1 The race committee signal vessel will be Nikita (photo below)



- 8.2 Attention is drawn to the *RRS definition* of a mark. Therefore fenders, buoys or other boats intentionally attached to the race committee signal vessel constitute part of that vessel and RRS 31 applies.
- 8.3 The description and location of marks to be used will be advised at the daily briefing. Marks may include those specially laid for the event, permanent navigation marks and DSC club racing marks.

## 9 THE START

9.1 To alert boats that a sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound signal two minutes before the first warning signal.

9.2 Races will be started using RRS26 amended with the warning signal made **3 minutes** before the starting signal.

Minutes before starting signal	Signal
3	Warning signal (Class Flag)
2	Preparatory signal
1	Preparatory removed
0	Starting signal (Class flag removed)

The warning signal for each successive class will be made with the starting signal of the preceding class.

9.3 The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal vessel and the course side of the starting mark.

9.4 [DP] Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.

9.5 At the discretion of the race committee a boat that does not start within 2 minutes of her starting signal may be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

## 10 THE FINISH

The finishing line is between the staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee signal vessel and the course side of the finishing mark which will be on the opposite side to the starting mark.

## 11 PENALTY SYSTEM

11.1 RRS44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

11.2 Post-Race Penalty:

11.2.1 A boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 of the Racing Rules of Sailing or rule 31 (and not already taken a penalty as described in SI11.1) may, after finishing the race concerned and before the start of any related protest hearing, notify the race committee that she accepts a three place Post-Race Penalty. However, if the boat caused injury or serious damage or, despite taking a penalty, gained a significant advantage in the race or series by her breach, her penalty shall be to retire.

### 11.2.2 When a Post-Race Penalty is accepted:

- (a) Neither the boat nor a protest committee may then revoke or remove the penalty.
- (b) The boat shall not be penalised further in a protest hearing when the protest committee decides that it was appropriate to the facts found and the applicable rules.

## 12 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 12.1 There is no time limit for any race.
- 12.2 The target time for races will be between 40 and 90 minutes depending on the course.
- 12.3 The Finishing Window is 15minutes, except for the Long River Race (if held) which is 30 minutes.
- 12.4 The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the second boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently penalised or given redress, may be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. A boat scored TLE shall be scored points one more than the total number of boats finishing within the Finishing Window and not subsequently retiring or disqualified. This changes RRS 35, A5.1 and A5.2.
- 12.5 Failure to meet the Target Time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

## 13 HEARING REQUESTS

- 13.1 The Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration procedures of the RYA Rules Disputes procedures shall apply. The outcome of RYA Arbitration can be referred to a protest committee, but an arbitration hearing cannot be reopened or appealed.
- 13.2 RRS part 2 protests may initially be dealt with by the RYA Arbitration Procedure as soon after the protest time limit as practicable.
- 13.3 Competitors shall advise the race committee vessel of any protest, as soon as possible after finishing the race in which it was called.
- 13.4 Protest forms are available from the race office at Dittisham Sailing Club or can be downloaded from [www.dartmouthsailingweek.com/race-documents](http://www.dartmouthsailingweek.com/race-documents) or [www.rya.org.uk](http://www.rya.org.uk) .
- 13.5 The protest time limit is not less than 30 minutes after the race committee vessel returns to its mooring. The protest expiry time will be posted on the official notice board.
- 13.6 Notices of protests by the race committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 13.7 Protest hearing times will be posted on the official notice board. It is the responsibility of the Protestor to ensure the Protestee and any witnesses are informed of the hearing time.

## 14 SCORING

- 14.1 Details of scoring can be found in NoR 12.
- 14.2 The Long River Race, if held, shall count as two races with equal placing; e.g. a boat finishing second in the race will receive two individual second place scores. As defined in NoR 12.2(d), one or both scores may be excluded to arrive at a boats series score.

## 15 OFFICIAL VESSELS

Official vessels (mark layers and patrol boats) will be identified at the briefing.

## 16 REFUSE DISPOSAL

Refuse bins are available ashore.

## 17 PRIZES

Series prizes will be awarded as follows:

<b>Class</b>	<b>First Place</b>	<b>Second Place</b>	<b>Third Place</b>
<b>PY1</b>	Cranford Cup	Regatta Mug	Regatta Mug
<b>PY2</b>	Yorkshire Building Society Trophy	Regatta Mug	Regatta Mug
<b>Laser</b>	Darthaven Laser Salver	Regatta Mug	Regatta Mug
<b>Laser Radial</b>	Sissons Trophy	Regatta Mug	Regatta Mug
<b>Solo</b>	Flat Owers Cup	Regatta Mug	Regatta Mug

## 18 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Information on Safety, Measurement Checks, The Risk Statement, and Insurance can be found in the Notice of Race.