



GUERNSEY YACHT CLUB



Guernsey Regatta 2018

Sailing Instructions

1st September 2018

High Water: 10:45am @ 8.2m

Organising Authority: Guernsey Yacht Club LBG

GENERAL INFORMATION

All races will be started from a Committee Boat.

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the Sailing Instructions means that penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1. RULES

The event will be governed by the:

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in World Sailing's, The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 ("RRS"). The Sailing Instructions may change RRS;
- 1.2 Prescriptions of the Royal Yachting Association will apply;
- 1.3 IRC Rules 2017 Parts A, B and C shall apply to Class 1 with the exception of:
 - 1.3.1 IRC Rule 16.1 will be amended to allow advertising on all sails;
 - 1.3.2 IRC Rule 22.4 will not apply as there will be no limitations on crew numbers or weight;
 - 1.3.3 The Sailing Instructions may change other IRC Rules 2017.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the event notice board located at the Guernsey Yacht Club.

3. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 8:00am on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 8:00pm on the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the Guernsey Yacht Club (the "GYC").

4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP

5. CLASSES

5.1 The following classes and ratings may compete in the Regatta and the handicapping systems quoted will be used:

- Class 1 - Racers/Cruisers – Spinlock IRC rating
- Class 2 - Cruisers – Channel Islands Handicap System
- Class 3 - Yachts – Channel Islands Handicap System
- Class 4 – "Kona One" Windsurfers
- Class 5 - Catamarans – ISAF International Small Catamaran Handicap
- Class 6 - Fast Dinghies - Portsmouth Yardstick Number
- Class 7 - Slow Dinghies – Portsmouth Yardstick Number

5.2 The Organising Authority may (at its sole and absolute discretion) specify which Classes will compete in the Regatta and set the range of Portsmouth Yardstick Number that will apply to a Class, where appropriate. Classes 1 and 2 may be combined as Class 3 and Catamarans may be combined with Class 6 depending on the number of entrants. The Classes competing in the Regatta will be announced during the briefing.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1 A briefing for Classes 1 -3 inclusive will be held at 7:00pm on Friday 31st August 2018 at the GYC. A briefing for Classes 4 – 7 inclusive will be held at 8:30am on Saturday 1st September 2018 at the GYC.

6.2 Classes 1 or 3 are scheduled to have one race on Saturday 1st September in the morning with a minimum of two back to back races in the afternoon. The scheduled warning signals being 10.00am for the first race and 2:00pm for the second race. The warning signal for race 3 will be made as soon as practicable after the finish of race 2.

6.3 Class 2 is scheduled to have one race on Saturday 1st September in the morning with a minimum of two back to back races in the afternoon. The scheduled warning signals being 10.05am for the first race and 2:05pm for the second race. The warning signal for race 3 will be made as soon as practicable after the finish of race 2.

6.4 Class 5 is scheduled to have one combined class pursuit race with Classes 4 – 7 inclusive (the “Chris Babbe Memorial Pursuit Race”), on Saturday 1st September in the morning and a minimum of two back to back races in the afternoon. The scheduled warning signals being 10:15am for the first race and 2:10pm for the second race. The warning signal for race 3 will be made as soon as practicable after the finish of race 2.

6.5 Class 6 is scheduled to have the Chris Babbe Memorial Pursuit Race on Saturday 1st September in the morning and a minimum of two back to back races in the afternoon. The scheduled warning signals being 10:15am for the first race and 2:15pm for the second race. The warning signal for race 3 will be made as soon as practicable after the finish of race 2.

6.6 Class 4 is scheduled to the Chris Babbe Memorial Pursuit Race on Saturday 1st September in the morning and a minimum of two back to back races in the afternoon. The scheduled warning signals being 10:15am for the first race and 2:20pm for the second race. The warning signal for race 3 will be made as soon as practicable after the finish of race 2.

6.7 Class 7 is scheduled to have the Chris Babbe Memorial Pursuit Race on Saturday 1st September in the morning and a minimum of two back to back races in the afternoon. The scheduled warning signals being 10:15am for the first race and 2:25pm for the second race. The warning signal for race 3 will be made as soon as practicable after the finish of race 2.

6.8 If one or more of the above Classes does not compete in the Regatta then the timings of the other Classes will not be changed.

6.9 For Classes 1 -3 inclusive the warning signal for subsequent races will be made as soon as practicable after the finish of the preceding race.

6.10 Classes 4 – 7 inclusive will come ashore after the finish of the Chris Babbe Memorial Pursuit Race. For races 2 onwards the warning signal for subsequent races will be made as soon as practicable after the finish of the preceding race.

7. CLASS FLAGS

The class signal will be the numerical pennant of each Class, except for the Chris Babbe Memorial Pursuit Race. The class signals for the Chris Babbe Memorial Pursuit Race are described in Appendix A.

8. RACING AREA

The Racing Area for Classes 1 – 3 inclusive is the Little Russell and/or the Great Russell and/or round Sark and/or Herm and/or Jethou and/or Guernsey and using the GYC fixed marks, laid marks or a combination of both.

The Racing Area for Classes 4 - 7 inclusive is the Little Russell using the GYC fixed marks, laid marks or a

combination of both.

The approximate position of the GYC fixed marks is displayed on the GYC Course Board (outside the Clubhouse) and also in the GYC 2018 Yearbook, copies of which are available on request.

9. COURSES

9.1. The course for each race for Classes 1 – 3 inclusive will be announced on by radio on VHF Channel 37A (M1) no later than the warning signal.

9.2 The course for the Chris Babbe Memorial Pursuit Race will be posted on the GYC Course Board (outside the Clubhouse) no later than 60 minutes before the warning signal.

9.3 The course for races 2 onwards for Classes 4 – 7 inclusive is illustrated in Appendix B. The number of laps to be sailed will be displayed on the Committee Boat no later than the warning signal for each Class. Boats shall pass through the Start/Finish line at the end of each lap.

9.4 Races for Classes 1 -3 inclusive may be shortened according to RRS32. Flag 'S' and the Class flag will be shown from the Committee Boat and two sound signals will be made when the leading boat in the fleet for which the course is to be shortened is in the vicinity of the last mark before the finish. In addition, the shortened course will be announced by radio on VHF Channel 37A (M1). Boats in that fleet will round the mark in the normal manner and then proceed directly through the Start/Finish line.

9.5 Races 2 onwards for Classes 4 – 7 may be shortened according to RRS32. Flag 'S' and the Class flag will be shown from the Committee Boat and two sound signals will be made when the leading boat in the fleet for which the course is to be shortened is in the vicinity of the last mark before the finish. Boats in that fleet will round the mark in the normal manner and then proceed directly through the Start/Finish line.

10. MARKS

Laid marks will be orange inflatable buoys. Fixed marks will be the GYC race marks.

11. THE START

11.1 All races, except for the Chris Babbe Memorial Pursuit Race, will be started as specified in RRS 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.

11.2 The starting line will be between a mast or staff displaying an orange flag on the Committee Boat at the starboard end and the outer limit mark at the port end. The outer limit mark will be an inflatable orange buoy.

11.3 A boat that does not start within **4 minutes** after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

11.4 The Chris Babbe Memorial Pursuit Race will be started as described in Appendix A. This changes RRS 26.

12. GENERAL AND INDIVIDUAL RECALLS

12.1 General recalls will be signaled by displaying the flag 'First Substitute' and making two further sound signals immediately after the start signal.

12.2 For the recalled fleet the new warning signal will be displayed 1 minute after the First Substitute flag has been removed and the start will be 5 minutes later.

12.3 The order of starts for all fleets will remain unchanged.

12.4 Individual recalls will be signaled by displaying flag 'X' and making one further sound signal immediately after the start signal. Flag X will be removed after the offending boats(s) have restarted or after 2 minutes, whichever is the earlier.

12.5 For Classes 1 – 3 inclusive only the Race Committee may broadcast the sail numbers or names of the offending boat (s) by radio on VHF Channel 37A (M1) after flag 'X' has been displayed but no sooner than 30 seconds after the starting signal but any delay or failure to do so is not grounds for redress.

13. THE FINISH

13.1 For all races except the Chris Babbe Memorial Pursuit Race, the finishing line will be between a mast or staff displaying an orange flag on the Committee Boat at the starboard end and the outer limit mark at the port end.

13.2 For the Chris Babbe Memorial Pursuit Race the finishing line will be between a mast or staff displaying an orange flag on the Committee Boat at the starboard end and the outer limit mark at the port end or between a RIB at the starboard end and a mark of the course at the port end reached by the leading boat after 11:50am.

14. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

14.1 For Classes 1 – 3 inclusive the target time for the leading boat shall be: race 1 – 180 minutes; races 2 onwards – 45 minutes.

14.2 For Classes 4 - 7 inclusive the target time for the leading boat shall be: Chris Babbe Memorial Pursuit Race – 90 minutes; races 2 onwards – 45 minutes.

14.3 For Classes 1 – 3 inclusive boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes may be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This is at the discretion of the Race Officer and changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

14.4 For Classes 4 – 7 inclusive boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes may be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This is at the discretion of the Race Officer and changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

15. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

15.1 Protest forms are available at the Guernsey Yacht Club. Protests shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

15.2 The protest time limit is one hour after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the Race Committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.

15.3 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 as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the Guernsey Yacht Club beginning at the time posted.

15.4 Notices of protests by the race committee, technical committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rules 61.1(b)

15.5 The Exoneration Penalty and the Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available. Decisions from RYA Arbitration can be referred to the Protest Committee but cannot be reopened or appealed.

16. SCORING

16.1 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

16.2 All races will be counted without discard.

17. SAFETY REGULATIONS

17.1 For Classes 4 – 7 inclusive adequate personal buoyancy must be worn whilst racing.

17.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Committee Boat as soon as possible.

18. OFFICIAL BOATS

The Committee Boat will fly an orange flag.

19. CONFLICT

19.1 In the event of a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions will take precedent.

19.2 In the event of a conflict between the Sailing Instructions and the Kona Class Rules, the Sailing Instructions will take precedent.

20. RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

21. PRIZE GIVING

21.1 Place prizes and trophy's will be awarded for the Regatta Series for each Class, as follows:

When 2 boats/windsurfers are entered - a first prize only will be awarded;

When 3 boats/windsurfers are entered - first and second prizes only will be awarded;

When 4 or more boats/windsurfers are entered - first, second and third prizes only will be awarded;

21.2 Regatta Best-in-Class prizes will be awarded to the boats/windsurfers with the lowest Regatta Series scores in their Class.

21.3 The boat with the lowest score in the first Class 5 race shall be the winner of the Cannon Ball Trophy.

21.4. The first placed boat in combined Class 5, 6 & 7 shall be the winner of the Chris Babbe Memorial Pursuit Race trophy.

21.5. For the purposes of prizes and trophies, boats crewed entirely by Juniors in Class 7 shall be denoted as a separate Class in their own right and prizes and trophy's will be awarded appropriately.

21.6. The prize-giving will take place at the GYC as soon as possible after 18:30 hours on Saturday 1st September.

22. DISCLAIMER

Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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.

23. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000 (two million pounds) per incident or the equivalent.

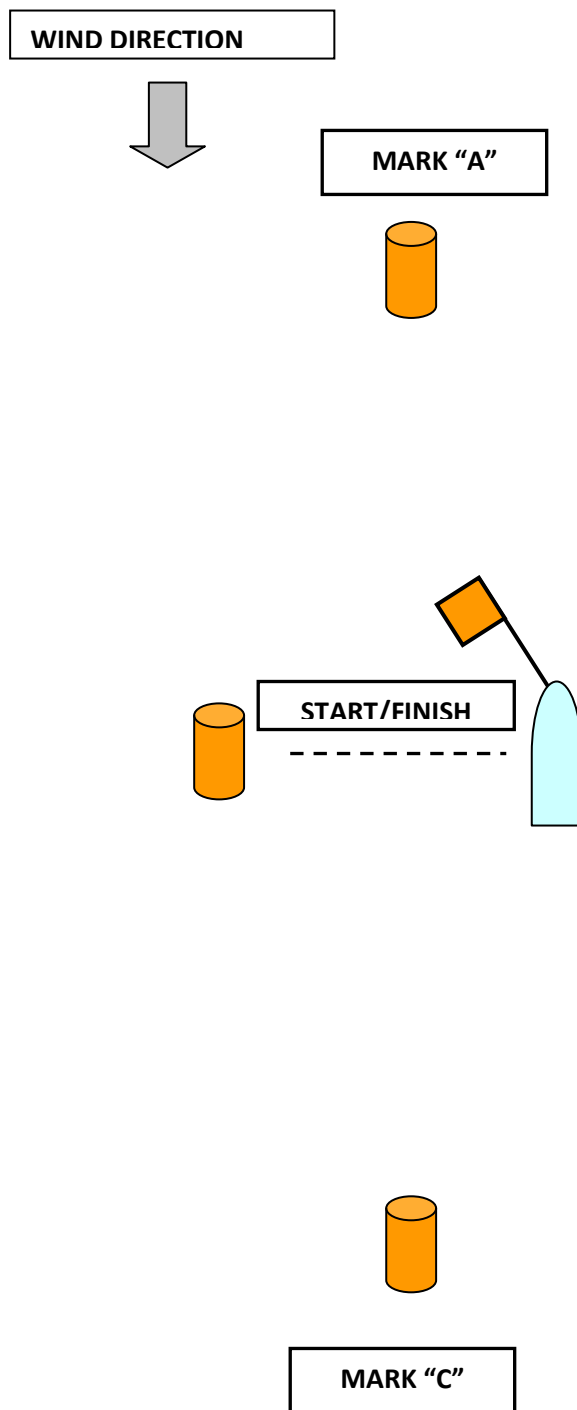
24. INSURANCE

For further information please contact:

Guernsey Yacht Club, Castle Emplacement, St Peter Port, Guernsey

Appendix A					
Guernsey Regatta 2018					
Chris Babbe Memorial Pursuit Race					
Start Times		CLASSES 4 - 7 RACE 1			Saturday
Duration (minutes)					
Base Start Time/PY		10:20 AM		Starting Sequence	
Target Finish Time		11:50 AM			
Class	PY	Time		Flag UP	Flag DOWN
WARNING	(First Class)	10:15 AM		D	
PREPARATORY	(First Class)	10:16 AM		P	
ONE MINUTE	(First Class)	10:19 AM			P
FevaXL	1240	10:20 AM		1	D
Laser 4.7	1207	10:22 AM		2	1
Laser Radial	1142	10:27 AM		1	2
GP14	1133	10:28 AM		2	1
2000 / Laser Standard	1109	1098	10:30 AM	1	2
RS Aero 7 / Kona Windsurfer	1068	1080	10:32 AM	2	1
RS 200	1046	10:34 AM		1	2
RS Aero 9	1019	10:36 AM		2	1
RS 100 10.2	981	10:39 AM		1	2
RS 500 / Contender	963	969	10:40 AM	2	1
RS 400	942	10:42 AM		1	2
505	922	10:43 AM		2	1
29ER	912	10:44 AM		1	2
Dart 18	824	10:50 AM		2	1
RS 800	799	10:52 AM		1	2
Hobie Tiger	680	11:01 AM			1

APPENDIX B
COURSE FOR RACES 2 ONWARDS FOR CLASSES 4 – 7 INCLUSIVE



Marks A & C rounded to port constitutes one lap.

Marks A & C will be orange inflatable buoys.