

DERWENT RESERVOIR SAILING CLUB

MIRROR OPEN MEETING SIs Amended August 2010

1. Rules.

All races will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012 (RRS), the prescriptions of the R.Y.A., the rules of the appropriate classes, except as changed by these sailing instructions. The event is designated Category "A" unless otherwise prescribed on the Entry Form by the organising authority. The organising authority is Derwent Reservoir Sailing Club.

2. Entries.

- 2.1) Eligible boats may be entered by completing registration with the organising authority.
- 2.2) All boats using the club facilities, whether racing or not, must be covered by third party insurance of no less than £2 000 000, {two million pounds}.
- 2.3) Flag Y will not normally be flown. This changes rule 40.1. No person shall be afloat unless wearing an adequate flotation device. R.Y.A. recommend a minimum of 50 Newtons positive buoyancy.

3. Notices to Competitors and Signals ashore.

- 3.1) Special Flags, when flown from the Club flag pole, on the shore line to the east of the clubhouse.
Code flag R ; Restricted Area. Red Flag; inexperienced sailors are recommended not to sail.
Red & Black flags; experienced windsurfers only Black Flag; No sailing.
- 3.2) Any racing signals ashore will be displayed on the club flagpole.
- 3.3) Changes to Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board, at least forty minutes before the first warning signal flag of the day is displayed.

4. Schedule of Races.

First race 12 noon. Two further races after the lunch break.

5. Class Flags.

The Numeral Pennant six will be used, but if it is necessary to use alternatives for any reason, an Official notice to competitors will be displayed.

6. Racing Area and Hazard.

The racing area will be the Derwent Reservoir except the Nature Reserve at the south west end of the lake, marked by white posts on north & south shores. This area is out of bounds at all times. There is an old wall and long spit projecting into the water from east of Hunter House, on the opposite shore to the clubhouse. This is marked by a Dan Buoy with "W" on it. It is advised not to sail between the shore and the Dan Buoy.

7. The Course.

The course will be indicated on a course board ashore with copies available and will consist of especially laid coloured inflatable marks and the course is to be sailed as indicated.

8. Postponement.

8.1) Signals as in Rule 27.3. The flags will be flown on the Committee Boat allocated to the event. If the Committee Boat is on the water a distance from the shore, an announcement, on the P.A. system, of the postponement, may be made for the benefit of sailors still on shore. The R.O. will arrange for an announcement, on the P.A. system or by other means, of when the postponed race is likely to be started.

9. The Start.

- 9.1) Starting will be in accordance with Rule 26.
- 9.2) The start line will be between the Committee Boat mast, flying an Orange flag, and a pin mark.

10. Starting Penalties.

Rule 30.1 or 30.3. may be enforced.

11. Starting Recalls.

- 11.1) As per Rule 29 for "on course side" boats pre-start time;
- 11.2) Rule 29.1 for individual recalls. *IF* possible the offending boat(s) will be hailed, however, the onus is on the offending boat(s) to return and restart correctly.
- 11.3) General Recalls. As per Rule 29.2.

12. The Finish.

- 12.1. The committee Boat will fly a BLUE flag to indicate that it is on station to finish boats crossing the line which will be between the Committee boat and a pin mark.
- 12.2. Abandoning after the start. Rule 32.1 will apply.
- 12.3 Shortening a race. Rule 32.2 will apply.

13. Obstruction.

If any boat, having completed the course, returns over the finish line and thereby obstructs the view of the line so that the order of other boats finishing cannot be determined, then such boats will be deemed to have tied and the offending boat will then be awarded the finishing place after the next boat of its class to finish.

14. Penalty System.

- 15.1) Rule 44.1 and 44.2 will apply.
- 15.2) Rule 31 will apply.

15. Time Limit.

- 16.1) The time limit will be approximately fifty five minutes for each race. In the event of the wind strength decreasing significantly, the Race Committee reserves the right to take the result from the end of the previous recorded lap.
- 16.2) Boats failing to finish within fifteen minutes of the first boat of their class that sails the course and finishes will be scored "Did Not Finish". This changes Rule 35, A4 and A5.

16. Declaration.

If a boat retires from the race after completing the course and being given a finish signal, the helm must sign the declaration/ retirement sheet on the Official Notice Board, within 30 minutes of the time of the last boat coming ashore.

17. Protests.

- 17.1) Protests shall be written on forms available from the Race Office and be delivered back there within thirty minutes after the time of the last boat to come ashore.
- 17.2) Protests will be heard in approximately the order of receipt and as soon as possible.
Time and venue of hearings will be posted on the official notice board.
- 17.3) Notices of protests by the race or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b)

18. Scoring.

- a) The low point scoring system rule A4.1, together with rule A4.2 will apply.
- b) Discards. If one or two races in a series are sailed there will be no discard.
Three races sailed will have one discard.

19. Splitting Ties.

Rule A8 will apply.

20. Waste Disposal Boats shall not put rubbish into the water. Any rubbish may be placed aboard support ribs.