

August 1-August 7, 2009

Sailing Instructions

1. RULES:

1.1 The Championship will be governed by the 2009-2012 Racing Rules of Sailing (R.R.S.), the prescriptions of the I.S.A., the Rules of the M.S.A., and these Sailing Instructions (S.I.s) and any amendments there to.

2 ENTRIES:

2.1 Eligible Boats may be entered by completing the Registration Form issued by Sligo Yacht Club and on payment of the appropriate racing fee.

2.2 Substitutions: A substitution of helmsman/woman is permitted provided he/she is a member of the I.S.A. and M.S.A. Applications to change helm shall be made to the Race Committee at least two hours before the start of the race of that day. A boat damaged beyond repair may be substituted by another Boat provided the substitute boat has not already sailed in the event. Applications to change hull, sail or sail number shall be made in writing to the Race Committee at least two hours prior to the start of that days race.

2.3 Permission will be granted only in exceptional circumstances.

3 REGISTRATION: Registration will take place in the Race Office on Friday 30 July between 19.00 hours and 21.00 hours and on Saturday 1st August between 10.00 hours and 12.00 hours.

4 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS: Notices to Competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board in Sligo Yacht Club's Clubhouse.

5 ALTERATION TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS: Alterations to Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board situated outside the Race Office of Sligo Yacht Club's Clubhouse not later than three hours prior to the scheduled start of the race in which it will take effect, with the exception, that any change to the schedule of Races will be posted at 20.00 hours on the day before it will take effect.

6 SIGNALS ASHORE: Signals made ashore will be displayed on the Club Flagpole.

6.1 Flag A.P. with two sound signals means Race is postponed. The Warning Signal will be made not less than one hour after the AP is lowered.

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SCHEDULE OF RACES

DATE	DAY	RACE	WARNING SIGNAL	HIGHWATER
1-8-2009	Saturday	Practice	1500	15.57
2-8-2009	Sunday	First Championship	1500	16.52
3-8-2009	Monday	Second Championship	1530	17.35
4-8-2009	Tuesday	Third Championship	1530	18.12
5-8-2009	Wednesday	Fourth Championship	1530	18.43
		Crews Race	ASAP after finish	
6-8-2009	Thursday	Fifth Championship	10.30	19.16

7-8-2009

Friday

Sixth Championship 10.30

19.49

8. **CLASS FLAG:** The Class Flag will be the Code Flag 'G'.
9. **RACING:** The racing area will be in Sligo Bay.
10. **COURSE TO BE SAILED:** The Course to be sailed shall be: Start - W - G - L - W - L - W - G - L and finish at W.
11. **MARKS:** The Racing Marks will be inflatable marks coloured **YELLOW**
12. **STARTING LINE:** The starting line shall be between the Main Mast or improvised Mast of the Committee Boat and a Starting Mark (which may or may not be Mark L). An inner limit Mark may be moored approximately on the starting line and, if so, no boat shall pass between the inner limit Mark and the Committee Boat after the Warning Signal.
13. **THE START:** Races will be started in accordance with R.R.S. 26
 - 13.1 A boat shall not start after ten minutes after her starting signal.
14. **CHANGE OF COURSE:** A Change of Course after the Start will be signalled before the leading boat has begun the new leg, although the New Mark may not be in position. Any Mark to be rounded after rounding the changed Mark may be relocated to maintain the original course configuration.
15. **THE FINISH:** The Finishing Line shall be between the Main Mast of the Committee Boat flying a Blue Flag and the Weather Mark, unless the race is shortened, when it shall be between the Committee/Finishing Boat and either mark W. L. or G.
16. **TIME LIMIT:** The Time Limit for each Race shall be 2.5 hours or 40 minutes from the finishing time of the first finisher whichever the later. This changes R.R.S. 35
17. **PROTESTS:** In addition to the obligations R.R.S. 61 1(a) protesting boats shall individually, after finishing, inform the Race Officer on the Committee Boat of the Sail Number or Numbers of any boats against which she intends to protest. Protest Forms will be available in the Race Office and all Protests should be delivered to the Race Office within the Protest Time. The Protest Time will begin after the last boat has finished the last race of the day and will last for 90 minutes. Protests will be heard as soon as possible after the Protest Time has expired.
18. **SCORING SYSTEM:**
 - 18.1 Appendix A4.1 (Low Point Scoring System) of the R.R.S. will apply except that the score for first place shall be 0.75. Six races are scheduled of which a minimum of three races constitute a series. If five or six races are completed there shall be one discard allowed. If three or four races are completed there shall be no discard.
 - 18.2 **Tie Breaking:** In the event of a tie on total points between two or more yachts (after discard applied), the tie shall be broken in favour of the yacht with, in the first instance, the most first places, or, if still tied, the most second places, and so on if necessary, for those races as count for total points. Should this method fail to resolve the tie, the score in the last race, in which the tied boats raced shall determine the result and if necessary the second last race and so on.

Local Variations.

See chart of Sligo Bay in the Clubhouse.

