

Streaker Class Association Open Event

8th May 2022

Snettisham Beach Sailing Club

***Organising Authority: Snettisham Beach Sailing Club
in conjunction with the Streaker Class Association***

Sailing Instructions

1. RULES

The regatta will be governed by

- 1.1 the rules as defined in The World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing 2021 – 2024 save that Rule 41 (relating to the prohibition of outside help) shall be amended so that a boat receiving assistance with recovery following a capsize or gear failure will not be disqualified if the assistance does not materially or significantly improve her position in the race
- 1.2 The rules of the Streaker Class Association
- 1.3 The sailing instructions
- 1.4 RYA prescriptions
- 1.5 The Exoneration Penalty (and the Advisory Hearing and Arbitration procedures) of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedure will be available.
- 1.6 Racing Rule 40 PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICES will be changed as follows:
Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices at all times when afloat, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wet suits and dry suits are not personal flotation devices. This changes the rule in that the rule is always in force during racing and code flag Y need not be displayed to indicate this.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board, located outside the bar.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted not less than 60 minutes before the advertised start of any race or races concerned, except that any change in the schedule of races may be posted afloat.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagstaff outside the front of the clubhouse.
- 4.2 Flag L with a sound signal means: 'A notice to competitors has been posted'.
- 4.3 When Flag AP is flown ashore, race signal AP is changed in that '1 minute' is replaced by 'not less than 30 minutes'.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 It is intended that there will be three back-to-back races on Sunday 8th May, with the warning signal for the first start of the first race of the day at 09.55 hrs. Tidal conditions may result in the planned number of races being reduced.
- 5.2 For back to back races, flag AP will be displayed before the end of the previous race and lowered with one sound, one minute before the Warning signal. The timing of raising flag P will not provide grounds for a competitor to seek redress

- 5.3 The race officer may indicate that the next race sequence is about to start by repeated short sound signals.
- 5.7 No warning signal will be made after 11.45hrs on Sunday.

6 THE START

- 6.1 Races will be started in accordance with rule 26.
- 6.2 The starting line will be between the staff on the Committee Boat and an outer distance mark or boat, each displaying an orange flag.
- 6.3 An inner distance mark between the committee boat and the outer distance mark may be used. No boat shall pass between this mark and any part of the vessel it guards after the preparatory signal.
- 6.4 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start.
- 6.5 In the event of an individual recall, flag 'X' will be lowered no later than two minutes after the starting signal. This changes RRS 29.1.
- 6.6 Rules that may be applied at the start when the appropriate flag is displayed. Rules applying will be announced at the briefing:

I Flag Rule - RRS 30.1

Flag I may or may not be displayed.. Unless the black flag rule described in 7 is introduced, the following rule will apply to all starts:

Except where there are no navigable extensions at either end of the starting line, no yacht shall race within the triangle formed by the starting line outer limits and the first mark during the last minute before her starting signal unless she subsequently passes outside, round to leeward, of one of the marks or the committee boat at the end of the start line where these marks are surrounded by navigable water.

U Flag Rule – RRS 30.3

'No part of a boat's hull shall be in the triangle formed by the ends of the starting line and the first mark during the last minute before her starting signal. If a boat breaks this rule and is identified, she shall be disqualified without a hearing, but not if the race is restarted or resailed.'

Black Flag Rule – RRS 30.4.

If a black flag has been displayed before the class warning signal no part of a boat's hull shall be in the triangle formed by the ends of the starting line and the first mark during the last minute before her starting signal. If a boat breaks this rule and is identified, she shall be disqualified without a hearing, even if the race is restarted, or resailed or rescheduled, but not if it is postponed or abandoned before the starting signal. If a general recall is signalled or the race is abandoned after the starting signal, the race committee shall display her sail number before the next warning signal for that race, and if the race is restarted or resailed she shall not sail in it. If she does so, her disqualification shall not be excluded in calculating her series score.

7. RACING AREAS

Racing will be carried out on the Sea directly to the West of the clubhouse

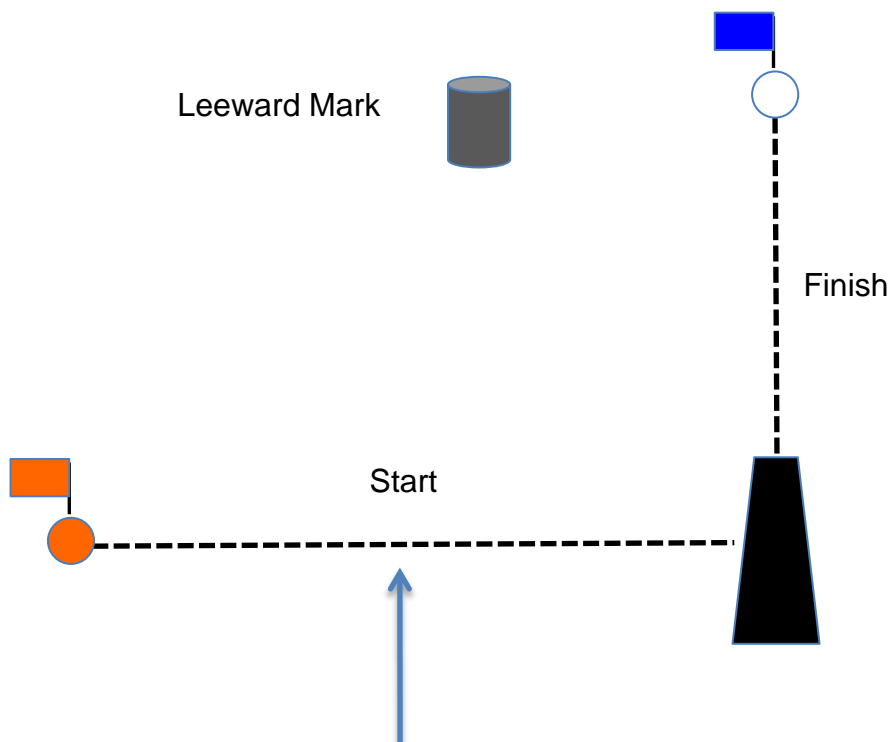
7.1 There are static marks for Sea Racing designated Marks 1,2,3,4,5, and P. These are large black drum buoys. In addition temporary buoys may be used, these will be identified at the briefing.

8. 8.1 Course

8.1.1 For committee boat starts the order in which marks are to be passed will either be detailed in the briefing or be displayed on boards displayed on the side of the committee boat. Unless detailed at the briefing all buoys are to be passed to PORT

8.2 The Start

- 8.2.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26 with the warning signal made one minute before the starting signal.
- 8.2.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying the class flag on the committee boat at the starboard end and an orange flag mounted on a small temporary spherical buoy at the Port End. The start line will be set to leeward of the leeward mark (the leeward mark at the start of the race if used) as per the following diagram:



9. THE FINISH

- 9.1 The finishing line will be between the staff on the committee boat and a dan buoy displaying a blue flag.
- 9.2 On any lap, the course may be shortened if the leading boat in the class has rounded its windward mark. Flag 'S' will be displayed on the committee boat (and may be repeated by mark boats on the course area) with two sound signals.
Failure to repeat the flag from mark boats will not be grounds for redress. This replaces RRS 32.2 and changes rule 62.
- 9.3 In order to reduce delay between races, the Race Officer may finish boats at the back of the fleet by recording their positions from a RIB, which will motor down the course. The decision of the Race Officer is final and will not be grounds for a competitor to seek redress.

10 PENALTY SYSTEM AND TIME LIMITS

- 10.1 If no boat has reached the first mark within 20 minutes, that race will be abandoned, although it may be restarted.
- 10.2 Rules 44.1 and 44.2 are changed FOR ALL COMPETITORS so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required for an infringement.
- 10.3 A boat that Did Not Start, Finish or Retired After Finishing shall complete an acknowledgment form at the race office within the protest time limit.

11. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 11.1 Protest forms are available at the race office. Protest forms shall be returned there within the protest time limit.
- 11.2 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day and returned to shore. This time limit will be extended by 30 minutes for all protests by the Race Committee relating to incidents observed in the racing area.
- 11.3 Notices will be posted within 20 minutes of the end of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
- 11.4 Breaches of instructions 1.6 and 13.1, will not be grounds for a protest by a boat.
This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.
- 11.5 Designated Coaches for the event will not be available as witnesses for any protests

12 ADVISORY AND ARBITRATION HEARINGS; EXONERATION PENALTY

The Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration procedures of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available. For these purposes an Exoneration Penalty of 40% shall apply, although the final position of a penalised boat shall be no worse than if she had retired.

13. SAFETY REGULATIONS AND LOCAL ISSUES

13.1 **Tally System / Signing-on.** For the Safety of all taking part, a Tally system or Signing-on procedure may be in place.

This will be confirmed at the competitors briefing.

13.3 a) It is a condition of entry that a Competitor shall comply with the instructions of Safety Boat crews, whose priority is to help competitors in distress or danger before retrieving boats.

b) Any action by these crews solely intended to ensure the safety of a competitor, such as recovering crew or separated components of the boat, provided this does not materially advantage the boat concerned, is not "outside help" as defined in RRS 41 and is not subject to protest from another competitor. The competitor may continue to race. This amends RRS 41.

13.4 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible. This is to be confirmed by completing a declaration on coming ashore.

14. SCORING

14.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

14.2 All races will count towards the final result. There will be no discards

14.3 If a different Helm completes a race in the same boat then they shall be considered a separate entry and their results cannot be combined with the results achieved by another Helm.

15 MEASUREMENT

15.1 Competitors are required to allow the race committee, the class committee or a duly authorised representative of either body to measure or inspect a boat at any time when she is not racing.

16 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

16.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 3 Decision to Race. Competitors are entirely responsible for their own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing reduces this responsibility. It is for competitors to decide whether their boat and its helm and crew are fit to sail in the conditions that they might find. By launching or going afloat competitors confirm their boat is fit for those conditions and that they are competent to sail and compete in them. Nothing done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of the owners and/or competitors, nor will it make the organisers responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury, however it may have occurred, as a result of the boat taking part in the racing. The organisers encompass everyone helping to run the event and include the organizing authority, race committee, race officer, safety officer, patrol boat personnel and beach masters. The provision of patrol boats does not relieve owners and competitors of their responsibilities.

17. INSURANCE

17.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3 million.

