

# 29er CLASS HARKEN GRAND PRIX FINALE & OPEN MEETING

Northampton Sailing Club

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> and Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2010

*The Organizing Authority is Northampton Sailing Club in conjunction with the UK 29er Class Association.*

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

### 1 RULES

- 1.1 Racing will be governed by the "Rules" as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2009 – 2012, subsequent amendments thereto, the Notice of Race, and these Sailing Instructions. In the event of there being any conflict between the aforementioned, these sailing instructions will take precedence at all times.

### 2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board, in front of the Galley doors to Veranda.

### 3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any changes in the sailing instructions will be posted one hour before the advertised starting time of the race or races concerned. Except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 19:00 hours on the day before it will take effect
- 3.2 Changes in the Sailing Instructions will be signalled by displaying flag "L" from the flagpole. When no further changes have been made Flag "L" will be lowered after the start of the last race of that day.

### 4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be hoisted on the flagpole located on the Veranda at the North East corner of the Clubhouse.

### 5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

The race start times are scheduled to be as follows:-

<b>Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> October</b>	Briefing @	<b>11.00</b>	<b>Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Race 5 @	<b>10.00</b>
	Race 1 @	<b>12.00</b>		Race 6	<b>To Follow Back to Back</b>
	Race 2	<b>To Follow Back to Back</b>		Race 7	<b>To Follow Back to Back</b>
	Lunch				
	Race 3	<b>To Follow</b>			
	Race 4	<b>To Follow Back to Back</b>			

### 6 CLASS FLAGS

- 6.1 The Class flag will be an orange flag with black 29er insignia.

## **7 RACING AREA**

- 7.1 **Error! Reference source not found.** (Available at time of entry) shows the location of the racing area.

## **8 THE COURSES**

- 8.1 The diagram in Attachment B shows the courses, including the course signals, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 8.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display:
- (a) A number tile (2 or 3) on the course board mounted on the stern of the committee boat to indicate the course to be sailed.
- 8.3 When rounding the leeward gate, boats shall sail between the gate marks from the direction of the previous mark and round either gate mark.

## **9 MARKS**

- 9.1 Marks 1, 2S and 2P will be Orange inflatable buoys. These buoys may have letters on them but these letters are not relevant to these sailing instructions.
- 9.2 New marks, as provided in instruction 11.1, will be of the same shape and colour as the original marks.
- 9.3 Starting marks will be a race committee signal boat at the starboard end, and a Dan buoy with an orange flag at the port end.
- 9.4 Finishing marks will be a race committee boat and a boat or buoy with an orange flag.

## **10 THE START**

- 10.1 The starting line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on the starting marks.
- 10.2 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.
- 10.3 If a boat fails to start or breaks rule 30.3, the race committee will point flag X at her, make a sound signal, and hail her sail number. The hailed boat shall immediately retire from the race. If she fails to do so she will be disqualified without a hearing and her score will not be excluded. This changes rule A5.

## **11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

- 11.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position, or lay a new mark and remove the original mark as soon as practicable.

## **12 THE FINISH**

- 12.1 The finishing line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on the finishing marks.

## **13 PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 13.1 Rules 44.1 and 44.2 are changed so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required.
- 13.2 Appendix P will apply, as changed by instructions 13.1 and 13.3.
- 13.3 Rule P2.3 will not apply and rule P2.2 is changed so that it will apply to any protest after the first one.

## **14 TIME LIMITS & TARGET TIMES**

- 14.1 The time limit is 45 minutes, and the target time 30 minutes.
- 14.2 Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes rules 35, A4, and A5.

## **15 PROTESTS & REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 15.1 Protest forms are available from the race officer. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to him within the appropriate time limit.
- 15.2 The protest time limit is 45 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.
- 15.3 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
- 15.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).

- 15.5 Breaches of instructions 17, 20, 21, **Error! Reference source not found.**, and 22 will not be grounds for 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.
- 15.6 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:
- (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day.
  - (b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.
- This changes rule 66.
- 15.7 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress from a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

## **16 SCORING**

- 16.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 16.2 (a) When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When 4 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 16.3 To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a boat may speak to the race officer or one of the results team.
- 16.4 The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under instruction 15.5 will be DPI.

## **17 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 17.1 Competitors shall wear adequate personal buoyancy at all times while afloat. Inflatable buoyancy vests are not permitted. Flag Y will not be displayed. This changes rule 40.1.
- 17.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee by way signing a declaration sheet which will be located in the area of the race notice board

## **18 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

- 18.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.
- 18.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

## **19 EQUIPMENT & MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

- 19.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

## **20 SUPPORT BOATS**

- 20.1 Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay more than 100metres outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

## **21 TRASH DISPOSAL**

- 21.1 Boats shall not put trash into the water. Trash may be placed aboard support boats.

## **22 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

- 22.1 A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction includes mobile telephones.

## **23 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 23.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing 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.

## **24 TELEVISION AND MEDIA**

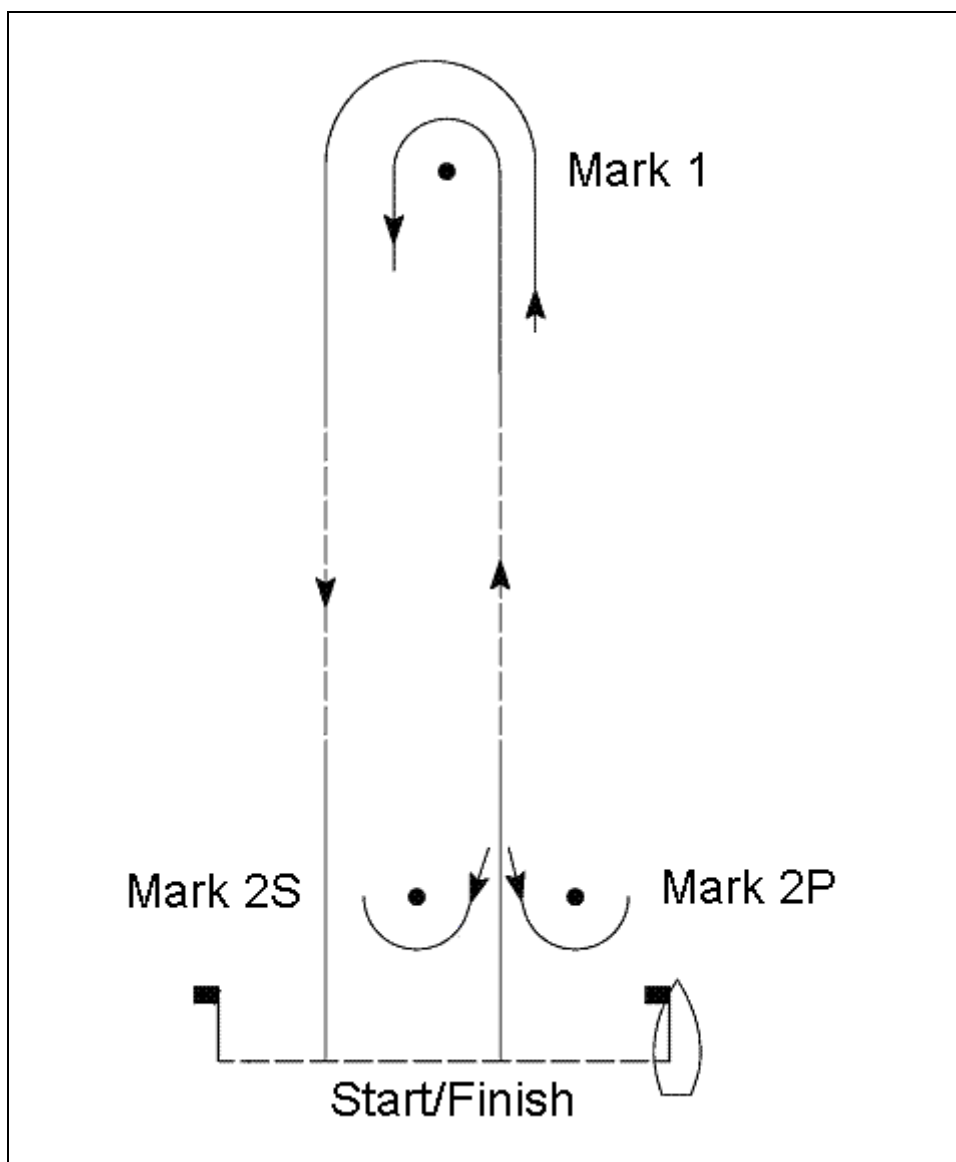
In entering for this event, competitors automatically grant the organizing authority and Class Association(s) the right, in perpetuity, to make, use and show from time to time, at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and any other reproduction of them taken

during the event, for the said Championship as defined in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions, in which he/she participates, without compensation.

## **25 INSURANCE**

- 25.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2million per event or the equivalent.

**Attachment B**  
**COURSE DIAGRAM**



**Signal:**            **Mark rounding order:**  
**Number tile 2** Start, 1, 2S/P, 1, Finish  
**Number tile 3** Start, 1, 2S/P, 1, 2S/P, 1, Finish  
**Note:**            On the last leg to the finish the gate 2S/P is not a mark.