

WOBYC TOPPER OPEN MEETING

Sunday 22nd October 2023

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS - the important bits!

SCHEDULE OF RACES:

Briefing – 9:30 under the awning.
First start: 10:24 Second start: 11:39 Third start 13:00
Fourth start will be as soon as possible after the end of race 4
(back to back)

NO. OF RACES: 4. If all 4 are sailed, discard your worst result.

CLASS FLAG: TBA

FLEET SPLIT: 5.3 and 4.2 rigs may start together, but will be scored separately, this will be decided at the briefing.

COURSES: The course will be displayed at the starting line. Numbers on a green background show marks left to starboard and numbers on a red background show marks left to port. The number of rounds is shown in white on a black background.

Letter F on a blue background in the course indicates a clubhouse finish, having rounded the mark preceding the F the prescribed number of times.

MARKS: Marks 1 to 7 are round buoys (red/orange). They may be moved to suit wind conditions. Mark 8 is a light blue buoy that can be positioned anywhere in the racing area.

THE START: RRS 26 does not apply.

Starting sequence is: 6 minute (warning signal), 3 minute (preparatory signal), start.

The Clubhouse start line is an extension of a line passing through the orange signal mast on the Club House and the black and white pole on the quay. Limit marks (buoys with through poles) may be positioned approximately on the line. Boats shall pass between these buoys when starting.

The Committee Boat start line is a line through the black and white pole on the Committee Boat and the outer distance mark (buoy with through pole). An inner distance mark (buoy with through pole) may be positioned approximately on the line. Boats which pass between the inner distance mark and the Committee Boat at any time (after their preparatory signal) shall be disqualified.

RECALLS: RRS 29.1 and 29.2 apply, except that for an individual recall the class flag will be left at the dip. Code flag X will not be flown.

General Recalls: The Preparatory signal for the restart shall be made 1 minute after lowering the First Substitute except when the start is one of a series when it shall go to the end of the series.

THE FINISH: The Clubhouse finish line is between the orange signal mast on the

clubhouse and the pole carrying three orange discs on the opposite bank. (This finish line is used for races started at the clubhouse or at the committee boat when F is shown in the course.)

The Committee boat finish line is between the black and white mast on the committee boat and the first mark of the course. Boats shall sail the prescribed number of rounds plus an additional leg to the finish. (The course may be shortened at any mark.)

SHORTENING COURSE: If Code Flag S is flown at the clubhouse, the race finishes when the leading boat next crosses the clubhouse finish line while sailing the prescribed course.

If Code Flag S is flown at the committee boat, the race finishes when the leading boat passes between the committee boat and an adjacent mark while sailing the prescribed course.

PROTESTS: Protest forms are available from the Race Box upstairs in the clubhouse. Forms must be submitted within 1 hour of the last boat finishing the race.

The Exoneration Penalty and the Advisory Hearing and the RYA Arbitration procedures are available.