



Medway Yacht Club

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS



UK Wayfarer Class Southern Area Championships 2018 and Craftinsure National Circuit and Travelers Series Event

Sponsored by Craftinsure, Pirates Cave, Chesley Storage

and Shepherd Neame

8-9th September 2018

Organising Authority - Medway Yacht Club (MYC) in association with the UK Wayfarer Association.

1. Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 The Bye laws and Directives of the Peel Ports Medway
- 1.3 Other rules as listed in the Notice of Race (NoR) and these Sailing Instructions (SI's). In the event of a conflict between the NOR and the SI's the latter shall prevail. This changes RRS 63.7
- 1.4 The Wayfarer International Class Rules and UKWA Dispensations (if any).
- 1.5 The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the NoR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

2. Notices to Competitors

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the MYC official notice board in the entrance foyer of the clubhouse.

3. Changes to Sailing Instructions

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

4. Signals Made Ashore

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the mast(s) by the race box on the mound by the clubhouse.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced by 'not less than 30 minutes' in race signal AP. This changes Signal AP.
- 4.3 When flag AP is displayed ashore, boats are requested not to launch.

5. Schedule of Races and Briefing

- 5.1 Dates and scheduled times of briefings and races are set out in Section 7 of the NoR.
- 5.2 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound signal at least five minutes before a warning signal is made. This is known as the Attention Signal.

6. Class Flag

- 6.1 The class flag will be a white flag with a red W logo.

7. Racing Area

- 7.1 All races will be started from a committee boat in The River Medway, Navigation Buoy 30 to Navigation Buoy 12. See Imray Chart Y18 The River Medway and Approaches.



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8. The Courses

- 8.1 The diagrams in Appendix 1 show alternate courses A and B, including the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 8.2 The letter of the course and the number of laps to be sailed (the “Course Designation”) will be displayed on boards located on the starboard side of the race committee signal vessel no later than the warning signal of the race to which it applies.

9. Marks

- 9.1 For course A, Marks 1 and 3 will be orange inflatable buoys and Mark 2 will be a white inflatable buoy.
- 9.2 For course B, Marks 1, 2 and 3 will be orange inflatable buoys.
- 9.3 The outer starting marks will be a committee vessel, a white inflatable buoy or a mark displaying an orange flag.
- 9.4 The Finish Marks will be a committee vessel and an orange or white inflatable buoy.

10. Obstructions

- 10.1 This event is held on a navigable river and ships or other large vessels have right of way. International regulations and local bylaws may apply to ships or vessels using the river, jetties, piers, berths, moorings.
- 10.2 If a ship/vessel is being escorted, no boat shall sail between the guard boat displaying naval numeral “zero” and the ship/vessel it is escorting. Boats shall not obstruct the fairway. Any boat reported by an Official Boat to have contravened this instruction or otherwise deemed to have caused an obstruction will be liable to be scored disqualified without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1.
- 10.3 Boats shall not sail between Folly Beacon and Hoo Island, nor between Darnett Beacon and Darnett Ness, nor cross Bishop Marsh which lies between Darnett Ness and Bishop Ness. A chart or chartlet showing these areas will be displayed on the official notice board.

11. The Start

- 11.1 The starting line will be between a mast/staff displaying an orange flag on the committee vessel and the starting mark.
- 11.2 At the race committee vessel end of the start line the starting mark will be the race committee vessel together with any dinghy, RIB, buoy or other inflatable object attached to it.
- 11.3 When a buoy is laid near the race committee vessel approximately on the start line, it is a starting limit mark and shall be left on the same side as the nearby race committee vessel.
- 11.4 A boat starting later than four minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

12. Change of the Next Leg of the Course

- 12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position.
- 12.2 The position of a laid inflated mark(s) may be adjusted by up to approximately plus or minus 10 degrees relative to the previous laid mark(s) and/or up to approximately 300 metres to windward or leeward without a signal. This changes RRS 33.
- 12.3 Boats shall pass between the race committee vessel signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee vessel to starboard. This changes RRS 28.1.



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13. The Finish

- 13.1 The finishing line will be between a mast/staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel at one end and the course side of the finishing mark.

14. Penalty System

- 14.1 One-Turn & Two-Turn Penalties will apply. (Rules 44.1 & 44.2).
- 14.2 Penalties for a breach of Class Rules, Peel Ports Bye laws and Directives or RRS 55 are at the discretion of the Protest Committee and may be less than disqualification.

15.1 Time Limits and Target Times

- 15.1 The target time for each race shall be 45-50 minutes and the time limit shall be 90 minutes. Failure to comply with the target time shall not be grounds for redress; this changes RRS 60.1(b).
- 15.2 Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat has sailed the course and finished within the time limit will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF). The changes RRS 35, A4, and A5.
- 15.3 Alternatively, at its discretion the race committee may give boats a finish position – ‘whisky finish’ will apply and all others will be scored in accordance with their position on the race course at the Time Limit. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

16. Protests and Requests for Redress

- 16.1 Protest forms are available from the race office located at the MYC library. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 16.2 The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat finishes the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is the later.
- 16.3 Notices of protests will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
- 16.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 16.5 The protest committee may award place penalties in place of disqualification. This changes RRS 64.1.

17. Scoring

- 17.1 See NoR section 13.

18. Safety Regulations

- 18.1 A mandatory Tally system will be employed.
- The tally control point to check-out and check-in competitors will either be located at the top of the slipway (weather dependent) or at a location stated at the briefing.
 - Tallies comprise numbered rubber wristbands. Numbers will be allocated at registration, and posted on the official notice board. Tallies shall be worn visibly by all competitors, over clothing, on the wrist, at all times while afloat.
 - [DP] Competitors shall check-out before racing by collecting their tallies.
 - [DP] Competitors shall check-in immediately on returning to shore after racing, by returning the tallies to tally control.
 - The race committee may apply a standard penalty without a hearing for a breach of (c) or (d) of this SI. The penalty may be additional points added to the boat's series score. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.
- 18.2 Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices at all times while afloat, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. This changes RRS 40.



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- 18.3 See NoR 8.4. This changes RRS 40 and the preamble to RRS Part 4.
- 19. Replacement of Crew or Equipment**
- 19.1 See NOR 3.5 with respect to replacement helm or crew.
- 19.2 See NOR 8.3 with respect to using a sail displaying sail numbers other than those registered for the boat.
- 20. Equipment and Measurement Checks**
- 20.1 See NOR 8.
- 21. Event Advertising**
- 21.1 Boats may be required by the Organising Authority to display event advertising.
- 22. Official Vessels**
- 22.1 Official vessels will display Numeral '9', but a failure to display shall not constitute grounds for redress.
- 23. Support Boats**
- Not used.
- 24. Trash Disposal**
- Boats shall not put trash in the water. Trash may be placed aboard support and race committee boats.
- 25. Haul Out Restrictions** – Not applicable.
- 26. Diving Equipment and Plastic Pools** - Not applicable.
- 27. Radio Communication**
- 27.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
- 28. Prizes**
- See NOR 19. Awards, in accordance with the notice of race, will be presented at the Prize giving at MYC as soon as possible after racing on Sunday 9th September 2018
- 29. Disclaimer of Liability**
- See NOR 20.
- 30. Insurance**
- See NOR 21.
- 31. DATA PROTECTION**
- 31.1 In order to manage the event, information provided by competitors will be held on a database. The management of personal information and images will comply with the new General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) that came into effect in May 2018.
- 32. Further information**
- 32.1 Please note photography and video filming may take place during, prior to or after the event which may be placed in the public domain, including use for future advertising material.
- 32.2 Additional information may be available at <http://www.medwayyachtclub.com/2018/07/wayfarer-southern-area-championships-2018/> and Stewart Coltart on 07990 516785.



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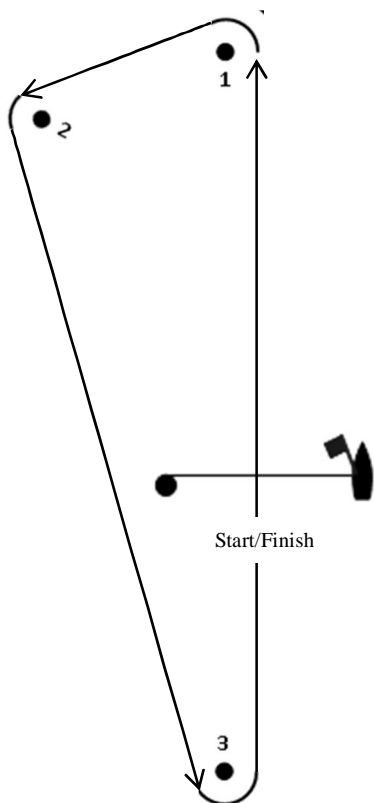
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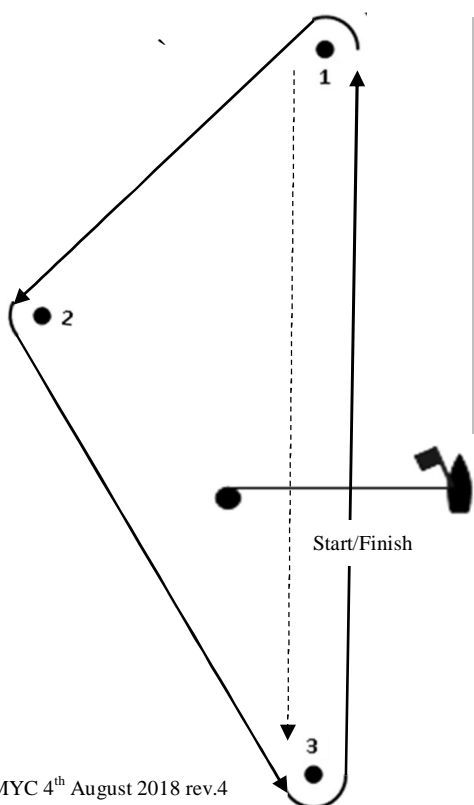
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APPENDIX 1 Courses

Note: The Marks will be as described in Section 9 of the SI's and not necessarily as they appear in the course diagrams below where all Marks are for illustrative purposes only.



Course A Course Designation	
A1	1p, 2p, 3p, Finish
A2	1p, 2p, 3p, 1p, 2p, 3p, Finish
A3	1p, 2p, 3p, 1p, 2p, 3p, 1p, 2p, 3p, Finish
A4	1p, 2p, 3p, 1p, 2p, 3p, 1p, 2p, 3p, 1p, 2p, 3p, Finish
A5	1p, 2p, 3p, 1p, 2p, 3p, 1p, 2p, 3p, 1p, 2p, 3p, 1p, 2p, 3p, Finish



Course B Course Designation	
B1	1p, 2p, 3p, Finish
B2	1p, 2p, 3p, 1p, 3p, Finish
B3	1p, 2p, 3p, 1p, 3p, 1p, 2p, 3p, Finish
B4	1p, 2p, 3p, 1p, 3p, 1p, 2p, 3p, 1p, 3p, Finish
B5	1p, 2p, 3p, 1p, 3p, 1p, 2p, 3p, 1p, 3p, 1p, 2p, 3p, 1p, 3p, Finish