

International 14 GLOBAL Team Racing Challenge 19, 20 and 21 June 2000

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Rules

- 1.1 The event will be governed by
 - (a) the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)
 - (b) the prescriptions of the Royal Yachting Association as shown in SI Appendix A.
 - (c) RRS Appendix D, Team Racing Rules, as amended by these Sailing Instructions
 - (d) the rules of the International 14 Class
 - (e) the Notice of Race
 - (f) these Sailing Instructions (SIs) and amendments thereto
- 1.2 Rule 17.2 is changed to the alternative words in rule D1.1(e).
- 1.3 Rule D1.1(c) is changed to: "Except when sailing a proper course a boat shall not deliberately interfere with a boat on another leg or lap of the course. For the purposes of this rule, a boat that has finished is on a different leg from one that has not."
- 1.4 Rule D1.2(b) is changed to: "There shall be no penalty for breaking a rule of Part 2 when the incident is between boats in the same team and there is no contact."
- 1.5 Unless there is damage there shall be no penalty for contact with
 - (a) a tiller extension which is not in use, or
 - (b) a spinnaker or its sheets whilst the sail is being hoisted or lowered.
- 1.6 A band approximately 20mm wide and in a contrasting colour shall be placed around the bowsprit. The forward edge of the band shall be just hidden within the bowsprit enclosure when the bowsprit is retracted in accordance with class rule 1 (b).
- 1.7 Category B advertising is permitted in accordance with rule 79 and Appendix G.
- 1.8 When there is conflict the Sailing Instructions will prevail over the Notice of Race.
- 1.9 In accordance with rule 70.4(a) there will be no appeal from the decisions of the Jury apart from decisions in the final round.

2. Eligibility

- 2.1 Teams of 4 or 5 boats shall be eligible to compete after they have completed the entry, registration and measurement requirements detailed in the Notice of Race together with a revised declaration.

2.2 For each race a team shall comprise any four of the boats eligible to compete.

3. Safety - Personal Buoyancy

Adequate personal buoyancy shall be worn by all competitors whilst racing.

4. Communications with Competitors

4.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board in the Members Room at Itchenor Sailing Club.

4.2 Signals ashore will be displayed on the Club flagpole.

4.3 A briefing for all competitors will be held at Itchenor SC in the afternoon of Sunday 18 June. The time and place will be advised at registration.

4.4 The first meeting with the umpires will be immediately after the briefing.

4.5 The umpires may hold a debrief at the end of each day as soon as possible after returning to the shore.

5. Changes to Sailing Instructions

5.1 Amendments to the SIs made ashore will be posted at least one hour before the start of any race affected.

5.2 Flag L over the numeral pennant of the most recent amendment will be displayed ashore.

5.3 Amendments to the SIs made afloat will be signalled by displaying 3rd Substitute on the committee boat accompanied by 3 sound signals. These amendments may be communicated either orally or in writing. This amends rule 88.2.

6. Identification of Boats

6.1 Each team will be identified by a single letter as shown in SI Appendix B.

6.2 The race committee will supply each boat with four self-adhesive identification letters. Each boat shall affix and maintain them in position throughout the event

(a) one on each side of the hull close to the bow immediately below the gunwale, and

(b) one on each side of the mainsail close to the clew without obscuring the sail measurement details.

Boats may not protest for an infringement of this SI. This amends rule 60.1.

7. Event Format and Race Schedule

7.1 The race schedule is shown in SI Appendix B.

7.2 The start time of the first race each day will be:

Monday 19 June 1100

Tuesday 20 June 1130

Wednesday 21 June 1200

Amended times may be posted until 2000 the previous evening.

7.3 A flight means a number of races scheduled in the same starting sequence.

7.4 In the first round each team will sail two races (which will not comprise a match) against each other team.

- 7.5 The four highest placed teams in the first round will qualify for semi-finals. The first placed team will sail against the fourth and the second against the third. Each semi-final will be one race.
- 7.6 The semi-final winners will sail a final which will be one race.
- 7.7 If the first round is not complete by 1400 on Wednesday 21 June the semi-finals and final will be cancelled.
- 7.8 The latest time for the first warning signal of a flight will be 1430 on Wednesday 21 June.
- 7.9 The format of the event may be modified during the event in a fair and practical way as solely determined by the race committee taking into account the entries, weather conditions, time constraints and other factors.

8. **Course Area**

The racing area for each day will be posted by 2000 hours the previous day. Competitors are advised that it can take 1½ to 2 hours to sail from the Club to an outside harbour racing area.

9. **The Course**

- 9.1 The course will be displayed on a board on the committee boat before the warning signal for each race. Courses are described in SI Appendix C.
- 9.2 Pilsey Beacon and the “Goal Posts”
The red beacon at the entrance to the Thorney Channel and the green and red beacons in the Thorney Channel (the “Goal Posts”) are marks of every course and **must be passed on the channel side at all times.**
- 9.3 The race committee may move marks of the course. Rule 33 will not apply.

10. **Marks of the Course**

The marks will be orange inflatable buoys.

11. **The Start**

- 11.1 The flight number will be displayed on a board on the committee boat.
- 11.2 The signals for starting a race will be as follows. Races in a flight will start at 5 minute intervals. The starting signal for one race will be the warning signal for the next race. Times shall be taken from the visual signals; the failure of a sound signal shall be disregarded. This amends rule 26.

Minutes	Visual Signal	Sound Signal	Description
- 6	Flag M displayed	one	Warning signal for race 1
- 5	Numeral pennant 1 displayed	one	Preparatory signal for race 1
0	Numeral pennant 1 removed Numerical pennant 2 displayed	one	Starting signal for race 1 Preparatory signal for race 2
+5	Numeral pennant 2 removed Numerical pennant 3 displayed	one	Starting signal for race 2 Preparatory signal for race 3
etc			

Flag M will be removed at the start of the last race in the flight.

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11.3 No boat shall start later than 4 minutes after her starting signal.

12. **Starting and Finishing Lines**

- 12.1 The starting line will be a line between a mast displaying an orange flag on a committee boat and an outer starting mark displaying an orange flag.
- 12.2 A limit mark displaying flag O may be laid adjacent to the committee boat and, if laid, boats shall start between it and the outer starting mark.
- 12.3 The committee boat, outer starting mark and limit mark are starting marks for the purposes of rules 18.1(a), 28.2 and 31.1.
- 12.4 The finishing line is described in SI Appendix C.

13. **Time Limits**

- 13.1 The time limit for each race will be 45 minutes.
- 13.2 Boats failing to finish within 10 minutes after the first boat finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF). This amends rule 35.

14. **Protests**

- 14.1 Umpires and observers will be used. All races that are not umpired will be observed.
- 14.2 Rule D2.1 is amended to add:
(c) "When a boat starts to take a penalty and fails to complete it she will be considered to have gained an advantage by breaking rule 44 and, when rule D2.3 applies, an umpire may penalise her in accordance with rule D2.3(d)."
Sub-paragraphs (c) and (d) are renumbered (d) and (e).
- 14.3 Rule D2.3(g) will apply to all protests.
- 14.4 Rule D2.3(a) is changed to: "When a boat protests under a rule of Part 2, except rule 14, or under rule D1, 31.1, 42 or 44, she is not entitled to a hearing. Instead a boat may promptly acknowledge an infringement by one of her crew clearly raising one arm vertically upwards and then taking a penalty in accordance with rule D2.1(b). If no boat acknowledges an infringement an umpire shall act in accordance with rule D2.3(b). When a boat acknowledges an infringement and fails to take a penalty in accordance with rule D2.1(b) an umpire shall penalise her in accordance with rule D2.3(d)."
- 14.5 Rule D2.3(d) is changed to: "When a boat or her team gains an advantage by breaking a rule, commits a breach of sportsmanship or fails to take a penalty when required by an umpire, an umpire may impose one or more 360° turn penalties by displaying a red flag and hailing her accordingly, or report the incident as provided in rule D2.3(e)."
- 14.6 Rule D2.4 is changed to: "Observers may be appointed by the race committee to give opinions on incidents. If so, rule D2.3, Umpired Races, applies except that, when there is no decision signalled or when an observer displays a yellow flag indicating he has insufficient facts to decide, the protesting boat will be entitled to a hearing providing she complies with the rules of Part 5 as amended by these SIs."
- 14.7 A boat intending to protest or to seek redress shall inform the race committee on the finishing line of her intention immediately after finishing, or as soon as

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possible after retiring, and shall have it acknowledged by the race committee. In addition, if the protest is to be heard ashore, on landing the protester shall immediately go to the Club office and sign a declaration of intention to protest or seek redress that shall include the following:

- (a) for a protest: the race number, the boat(s) protested, the leg of the course on which the incident occurred and the rule held to be broken;
 - (b) for redress: the reason for the claim.
- 14.8 When a boat takes a penalty in accordance with rule D2.1(b), the other boat shall not be penalised for the same incident except:
- (a) under rule 14 when she has caused damage; or
 - (b) when both boats have broken a rule of part 2 (excluding rule 14) or D1.
- 14.9 The protest committee may decline to hear a protest if its outcome is not relevant to progress to the next round of the competition. This changes rule 63.1.

15. **Boats not Racing**

Boats not racing shall not interfere with boats racing, the race committee or the umpires. Any penalty for breaking this rule shall apply to the boat's team in the previous race sailed by the team in the round in progress at the time of the infringement unless, at that time, the team has not sailed in a race in the round, when the penalty shall apply to the next race. This changes rule 64.1(c) and SI 16.1.

16. **Scoring**

- 16.1 Rule D3.1 is changed to: "Each boat finishing a race, whether or not rules 28.1 and 29.1 have been complied with, will be scored points equal to her finishing place. All other boats will be scored points equal to the number of boats entitled to race.

In addition, a boat's score will be increased as follows:

- (a) for breaking rule 14 when the boat has caused damage, or breaking rule 29.1 - 10 penalty points
- (b) for breaking any other rule for which a penalty has not been taken - 6 penalty points.

However, a boat which breaks rule 28.1 and does not finish shall not have the penalty points in (b) above added to her score for this infringement when it gains neither her nor her team any advantage.

The protest committee may further increase a boat's score when it finds that she, or her team, gained an advantage from breaking a rule.

The team with the lowest total points wins. If there is a tie on points, the team having the combination of race scores that does not include a first place wins."

- 16.2 Rule D4.3 is changed to reverse the order of precedence of paragraphs (b) and (c).
- 16.3 When round one is incomplete when terminated
- (a) When each team has sailed each other team at least once, only one win shall be available for all races sailed between any two teams. If two races have been completed between any two teams, each race win will be scored one-half a win. Ties shall be broken, when necessary, in accordance with rule D4.3 and rule D4.4 will not apply.

- (b) When each team has not sailed against each other team, rule D4.4 will apply.

APPENDIX A

RYA PRESCRIPTIONS

The RYA prescribes

Rule

68 Damages

1 No claim for damages arising from breaches of any of these rules or the sailing instructions shall be adjudicated upon by any race committee or appeal authority, but shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the courts.

2 A boat that acknowledges breaking a rule by retiring or taking a penalty does not thereby admit liability for damage.

3 The findings of fact and decisions of protest committees shall be relevant only to the purposes of the ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing and shall not be referred to in any proceedings for damages without the written consent of all parties to the protest.

69.2 Allegations of Gross Misconduct - Action by a National Authority

When the RYA Tribunal conducts a hearing in a case that has been the subject of an appeal under rule 70 and finds facts that differ from the facts found by the protest committee, the Racing Rules Committee may, if it thinks fit, reopen the appeal and reconsider its decision.

70.4 Right of Appeal

An organizing authority shall obtain approval from the RYA for the denial of appeal according to rule 70.4. The letter of approval shall be available for inspection during the event.

Note: RYA National Judges hold written approval from the RYA for the right of appeal to be denied in respect of a race to which rule 70.4(a) applies, provided that the National Judge chairs the hearing, that the denial of the right of appeal is stated in the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, and that the approval letter is available for inspection at the event. No further approval need be sought.

78 Compliance with Class Rules; Certificates

The race committee may inspect or measure any boat at any time.

86.2 Rule Changes

A race committee wishing to develop and test a rule change in its local regattas may do so but shall obtain prior approval from and report the results to the RYA.

87.1(d) Organizing Authority

An International Class Association shall obtain approval for its World or European Championship to be held within the jurisdiction of the RYA three months before issuing the Notice of Race.

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89(c) Protest Committee - International Jury

An organizing authority shall obtain approval from the RYA for the constitution of an international jury. The letter of approval shall be available for inspection during the event.

Appendix A Scoring

A1.3 Scores not Excludable

This rule shall not apply unless the notice of race and sailing instructions state otherwise.

Appendix D Team Racing

D2.1(d) Rule D2.1(d) shall apply only when an RYA National Judge or an International Judge is appointed to chair the protest committee.

Appendix F Appeals Procedure

F2.1 Rule F2.1 shall not apply. Instead, within 15 days of receiving the protest committee's written decision or its decision not to reopen a hearing, the appellant shall write to the RYA Racing Division stating an intention to lodge an appeal. No details are needed at this stage. The RYA will send the appellant an Appeal Form, which shall be completed as far as possible, to form the appeal, and returned to the RYA within 15 days together with a copy of the protest committee's decision.

If the appellant fails to meet the requirements of the appeal procedure the RYA will refuse to hear the appeal save in exceptional circumstances. If other parties to the protest or the protest committee fail to meet the requirements of the procedure the RYA may decide the appeal as it thinks fit.

Appendix G Advertising

G5 Category C.

An organizing authority shall obtain approval for the adoption of Category C not less than six months before the start of the event. A fee may be required.

Appendix H Identification on Sails

H1 Identification

The requirements of rules H1.1, H1.2 and H1.3 apply to all British owned boats except that:

(a) under rule H1.1(a), class insignia need not be carried when the boat carries a sail number from one of the series specified in 2(a), (b), (c) or (d) below.

(b) under rule H1.1(c), a sail number of more than four digits may be carried.

(c) under rule H1.1(c), for boats other than ISAF classes, one of the authorities specified in 2 below shall allot an appropriate sail number.

(d) under rule H1.2(b), the height of a letter included as part of a sail number shall be the same as any numerals included in the sail number.

(e) under rule H1.3(c), the national letters may be placed in front of or above the sail numbers.

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- H2 Series of sail numbers and issuing authorities approved by the RYA
- (a) Y,M,N,T,A and L series issued by the RYA.
 - (b) R series issued by the Royal Ocean Racing Club.
 - (c) C series issued by the Clyde Yacht Clubs Association.
 - (d) UK IOR and IMS series issued before 1 April 1993.
 - (e) National class series issued by the RYA.
 - (f) Series issued by RYA affiliated class associations and approved by the RYA.
 - (g) Series issued by a builder of a new class and approved by the RYA

APPENDIX B

RACE SCHEDULE & TEAM IDENTIFICATION

APPENDIX C

COURSES.