

# RUSH SAILING CLUB REGATTA 2022

## Sailing Instructions

### 1. Schedule of races

1.1 5 Races are scheduled 3 on day one and 3 on day 2.

| Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July – High water at 14:21 |   |
|---|---|
| Race 1 Mermaids<br>Race 1 Lasers<br>Race 1 Toppers  | Warning Signal at 11:55<br>Warning Signal at 12:00<br>Warning Signal at 12:05 |
| Race 2 All Classes                                  | Warning Signal immediately after race 1 in the same order                     |
| Race 3 All Classes                                  | Warning Signal immediately after race 2 in the same order                     |

| Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July – High water at 15:00  |   |
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| Race 4 Mermaids<br>Race 4 Lasers<br>Race 4 Toppers | Warning Signal at 11:25<br>Warning Signal at 11:30<br>Warning Signal at 11:35 |
| Race 5 All Classes                                 | Warning Signal immediately after race 4 in the same order                     |
| Race 6 All Classes                                 | Earning Signal immediately after race 5 in the same order.                    |

\*At the discretion of the race officer, Lasers and Toppers may have a combined start depending on the number of boats.

Optimists will Race on Sunday in the river. Optimist sailors should attend the club and will have a briefing at 10:30am of the days activities.

1.2 On the last scheduled race day no warning signal will be made after 3:30.

### 2. Rules

The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020.

### 3. Notice to Competitors

Notices to competitors will be posted on the notice board at the entrance to the club.

#### **4. Amendments to Sailing Instructions**

Any amendments to the sailing instructions will be posted on the board on the day it will effect.

#### **5. Signals made ashore**

Signals made ashore will be displayed at the RSC Flagpole.

#### **6. Class Flag**

The class flag will be:

**Mermaids: Code flag G.**

**Lasers: Code flag for Lasers**

**Topper: Code flag T**

**Optimist: Code flag R**

**Combined Start: Code Flag E**

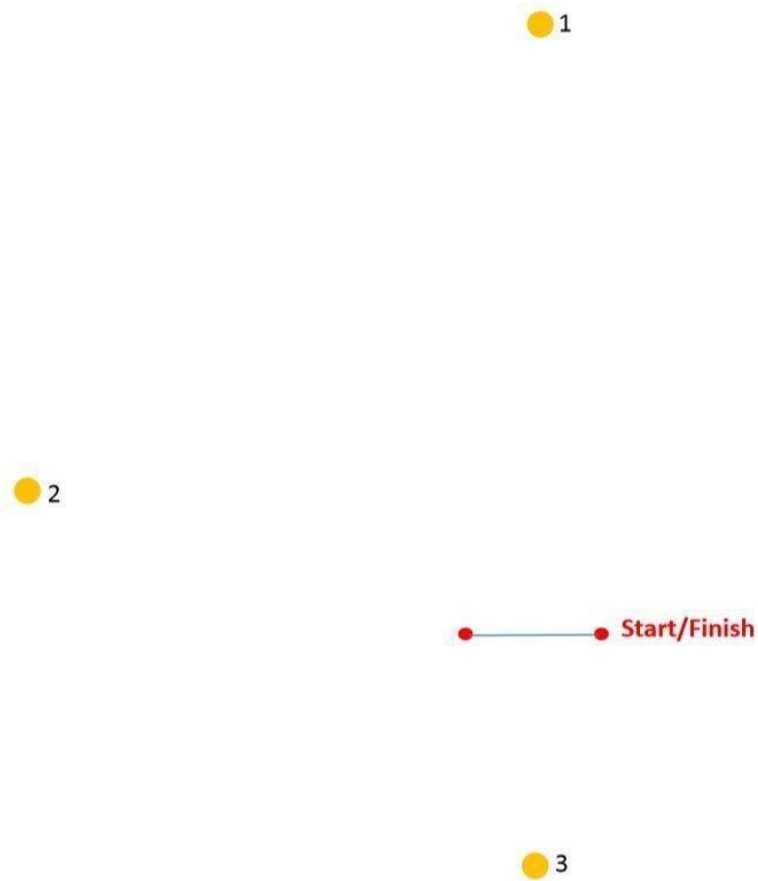
#### **7. The Course**

7.1 The diagrams below show the courses and the order the marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be rounded.

7.2 A flag identifying the course to be sailed for each race will be displayed on the committee boat in accordance with rule RSS 27.1.

7.3 The course to be sailed may be Olympic or Windward-Leward. This will be indicated by the committee vessel displaying a "O" for Olympic, or a W followed by a number for a Windward Leeward and the number of rounds on a whiteboard.

# Olympic Course



Mermaids and will follow a port course rounding the marks to port in the following order

**Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 3 – 1 – 2 – 3 – Finish**

Lasers, Toppers and Optimists will follow a port course rounding the marks to port in the following order

**Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 3 – Finish**

## Windward-Leeward Course

W1 – Start – 1 – 2a/2b - Finish

W2 - Start– 1 – 2a/2b – 1 – 2a/2b - Finish

W3 - Start– 1 – 2a/2b – 1 – 2a/2b – 1 – 2a/2b - Finish

Nb. Optimists and Toppers will complete 1 round less than Mermaids and Lasers. I.E. Mermaids and Lasers course W3, Toppers and Optimists W2.

Marks 1, 2, and 3 will be Yellow cylindrical inflatables.

The Pin end will be a orange buoy with a red pole.

**8.** Anybody with VHF messages will be relayed on channel 72 prior to the race start.

### **9 The Start**

9.1 Races will be started by using rule 26.

9.2 The starting line shall be between the main mast of the Committee Boat and a pin end orange buoy with a red pole.

9.3 An Inner Limit Buoy may be moored approximately on the Starting line and if so, no boat shall pass between the Inner Limit Buoy and the Committee Boat after her Warning Signal.

9.4 If flag U is has been displayed as the preparatory signal, no part of a boats hull, crew, or equipment shall be in the triangle formed by the ends if 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, resailed, postponed or abandoned before the starting signal. This changes RRS rule 26.

9.5 The Race officer may in the last minute of a starting sequence and before a start indicate that there are one or more boats OCS by displaying a flag code V.

### **10. The Finish**

10.1 The finish will be between the main mast of the Committee boat displaying a blue flag and a pin end orange buoy with a red pole, unless the course has been shortened at a mark on the course according to RRS32.

10.2 After the 1st boat has finished, the Race Officer may offer a finishing position to a boat still racing & in last place. The position offered will be the number of boats ahead of it, both finished and still racing. A boat is not obliged to accept such offer unless it is the last boat racing. The Race officer is not obliged to make such an offer. A boat that accepts the place offered will immediately cease to race & the race officer may repeat the process with the next preceding boat. The offer may be made via Rescue/Support boat personnel. This amends the definition of the word Finish.

10.3 Except when finishing boats shall **NOT** cross the finish line in either direction when the Blue flag is flying.

10.4 When flag 'F' is displayed by the race officer at a mark on the course, Boats having rounded that mark must sail to a finish at the committee boat.

## **11 Time Limit**

The time limit for the leading boat will be 90 minutes. Boats failing to finish 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish.

## **12 Abandonment**

The abandonment of all races shall be indicated by code flag N being displayed ashore or at the starting line accompanied by 3 sound signals.

## **13 Protests**

12.1 Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time Limit.

12.2 The protest time limit is ninety minutes (90mins) after the last boat has finished the last race of the day. The time and hearing of the protest hearing will be posted on the Club Notice Board.

12.3 The protesting yacht must advise the O.O.D. of the fact at the finish line.

## **14 Penalties**

44.2 shall apply (720) shall apply.

## **15 Scoring**

14.1 Low Point scoring system of Appendix A4.1 will apply.

14.2 3 Races will constitute an event.

14.3 When 4 or more races have been completed, there will be one discard.

## **16 Safety**

15.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee boat or a rescue boat as soon as possible.

15.2 All competitors are required to wear adequate personal buoyancy while racing, wet suits are not considered to be adequate buoyancy aids this does not apply to cruiser classes.

## **17 Disclaimer of Liability**

Rush Sailing Club accepts no responsibility for damage to boats or persons participating in this event.