



WASZP UK NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP & EUROCUP UK
WASZP UK CLASS ASSOCIATION
WEYMOUTH AND PORTLAND NATIONAL SAILING ACADEMY
22 – 25 AUGUST 2024
SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The organising authority is the Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy (WPNSA) in conjunction with the WASZP UK Class Association.

The notation '[NP]' in a rule in the sailing instructions (SIs) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2 See also Notice of Race (NoR) 1.2 - 1.5.

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted no later than 2 hours before 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.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official noticeboard (ONB) located at <https://racehub.waszp.com/eventdetail/314#notices>.
- 3.2 The race office is located at in room 4 inside WPNSA.
- 3.3 This WhatsApp group may be used for unofficial communication:
<https://chat.whatsapp.com/F6K9JeiRLwh7M4zkoe3QTT>.

4 CODE OF CONDUCT [DP][NP]

- 4.1 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from event officials.
- 4.2 Boats not racing shall avoid any area where boats are racing and any official vessel.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be posted on the main flagpole outside WPNSA.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, “1 minute” is replaced with not less than 30 minutes” when racing in Portland Harbour or “not less than 45 minutes” when racing in Weymouth Bay in the race signal AP..
- 5.3 [DP] Boats shall not leave the slipway until flag D is displayed ashore with one sound signal. ‘The warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes’ after flag D is displayed if racing is in Portland Harbour or ‘The warning signal will be made not less than 45 minutes’ after flag D is displayed if racing is in Weymouth Bay.
- 5.4 If racing is in Weymouth Bay, flag W will be displayed.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1 The provisional schedule of races is as follows:

Date	Activity/Format	Time
22 August	Registration at the Rooster Van	0800-1030
	Competitor Briefing	1030
	Sprint Tournament & Distance (Round the Harbour) Race	1155 first warning signal
23 August	Competitor Briefing	0930
	Championship Racing	1055 first warning signal
24 August	Competitor Briefing	0930
	Championship Racing	1055 first warning signal
25 August	Competitor Briefing	0900
	Championship Racing Top 20 Slalom Series	1025 first warning signal

- 6.2 The event will consist of three formats of racing: Sprint, Distance and Championship. All race formats will count towards the overall series and any format of racing may be sailed on any day. A maximum of five championship races may be sailed on one day.
- 6.3 For the top 20 sailors, Slalom racing will count as a fourth format. After the final championship race on 25 August, the top 20 overall will race in a Top 20 Slalom Series.
- 6.4 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least two minutes before a warning signal is made.

7 CLASS FLAG

- 7.1 The class flag will be a white flag with the WASZP class insignia. The class flag ashore will be an orange flag with WASZP class insignia.

8 RACING AREAS

- 8.1 The primary racing area will be in Portland Harbour. Additional racing areas are available in Weymouth Bay. If racing is sailed in Weymouth Bay, the approximate location of the racing area will be posted on the ONB.

9 COURSES

- 9.1 The diagrams in SI Appendix 1 and 2 show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 9.2 The course to be sailed will be displayed on a board on the signal vessel no later than the warning signal.
- 9.3 The course for the distance race will be announced before the morning briefing.

10 MARKS

- 10.1 Marks 1, 1s, 1p, 2s, 2p, 3 and 4 will be a 1.6m yellow cylindrical buoys
- 10.2 The marks in 10.1 may be changed to orange robotic marks (MarkSetBot). A notice will be posted to advise all competitors if the MarkSetBot are being used. .
- 10.3 The start pin mark will be a vessel displaying an orange flag or a danbuoy with an orange flag.
- 10.4 The finish pin mark will be a danbuoy with a blue flag or a mark of the course.

11 OBSTRUCTIONS

- 11.1 Boats shall keep more than 100 metres away from vessels over 100 metres in length, vessels at anchor or vessels displaying Flag A (indicating divers in the water). These areas are obstructions as defined in the rules.
- 11.2 [DP][NP] Portland Harbour regulations shall be observed. Any directions given by Portland Harbour Authority either in person or by VHF (CH 74) shall be complied with without delay.
- 11.3 Competitors shall use the northern entrance only when leaving or returning to Portland Inner Harbour, unless directed otherwise by an Official or Portland Harbour Authority Boat.
- 11.4 [DP][NP] Boats shall not transit through the RNSA moorings, which are situated to the west of the marina entrance.

12 THE START

12.1 Championship Racing:

- a) The starting line is between the staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the staff displaying an orange flag on the pin end vessel.

12.2 Distance Race:

- a) The starting line is between the staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel at the port end and the course side of the furthest aft point of the gate vessel and its appendages at the starboard end.
- b) The gate vessel will be a RIB displaying a WASZP flag.
- c) At the starting signal, the gate vessel will drive directly from the signal vessel towards the pin end vessel (the approximate speed and angle of the gate boat will be published before the race).
- d) Any boat that:
 - i) crosses in front of the gate vessel after the starting signal,
 - ii) makes contact with the gate vessel or its appendages, or
 - iii) causes the gate vessel to change course or slow downwill be disqualified without a hearing from that race, even if the race is restarted or resailed. This changes RRS 36 and A5.1.

12.3 Slalom Racing:

- a) The starting line is between the staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.

12.4 A boat that does not start within five minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

13 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

13.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark or the finishing line to a new position.

13.2 The race committee is not required to signal the change where the next leg of the course is changed by less than 10 degrees in angle or less than 100 metres in length. This changes RRS 33.

14 THE FINISH

14.1 Championship Racing (Grand Prix Finish):

- a) The finishing line is between the staff displaying a blue flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of mark 2p at the port end.
- b) When the leading boat sails the course and finishes within the race time limit, the race committee signal vessel at the finish will immediately display the black/white chequered finish flag with a sound signal. The chequered finish flag will be removed at the end of the finishing window or when the last boat finishes, whichever is earlier.

All boats that

- i) have completed a lap before the chequered finish flag is displayed, but then fail to finish while it is displayed, or
 - ii) cross the finishing line while the chequered finish flag is displayed
- shall be deemed to have finished irrespective of the number of laps completed. Their score in the race will be based on the order when they either completed their last lap or finished, with those having completed more laps finishing ahead of those with fewer laps. This changes RRS 28.1, A4 and A5.2.
- c) [DP][NP] When the chequered finish flag is displayed, all boats on a downwind leg shall sail through the finishing line.
 - d) [DP][NP] A boat that crosses the finishing line when the chequered finish flag is displayed shall not attempt a further lap.

14.2 Distance Race:

- a) The finishing line is between the staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port end finishing mark.

14.3 Slalom Racing:

- a) The finishing line is between the staff displaying a blue flag on the finish vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port end finishing mark.

14.4 To clear the finishing line, boats shall continue to sail at least 100m after crossing the finishing line.

15 PENALTY SYSTEM

15.1 See NoR 14.

16 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

16.1 The Race Time Limit (RRS 35), Target Time and Finishing Window in minutes will be:

Race	Target Time	Race Time Limit (RRS 35)	Finishing Window
Championship Racing	20	40	10
Distance Race	45	75	30

16.2 Failure to meet the Target Time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

17 HEARING REQUESTS

- 17.1 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat of finishes the last race of the day or the signal AP over A or N over A is made afloat, whichever is later. However, the protest time limit is 30 minutes after the signal AP over A is made ashore.
- 17.2 Hearing request forms shall be completed online by following this link: <https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/events/9529>.
- 17.3 For Championship races on the last scheduled day of racing, the protest time limit is 10 minutes after the end of the Finishing Window of the last Championship race. Boats shall lodge hearing requests by notifying the committee signal vessel within the protest time limit.
- 17.4 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform boats of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings may be scheduled to begin before the end of protest time. Hearings will be held beginning at the time and location posted on the ONB. However, if a hearing request is lodged in accordance with 17.3 and providing all parties are informed, the judges may decide to bring the hearing forward, including holding the hearing on the slipway or on the water, without posting any notice on the ONB.
- 17.5 Penalties for breaches of RRS 50 or 78.1, class rules, rules in the NoR or SIs marked '[DP]', should the case go to a hearing, are at the discretion of the jury and may be less than disqualification.

18 SCORING

- 18.1 All race formats will count towards the overall series. Where a Sprint Tournament is sailed, the final ranking in the Sprint Tournament will count as one race in the overall series.
- 18.2 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 18.3 The series will be scored as follows:
- When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores.
 - When from 4 to 7 races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
 - When from 8 to 11 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.
 - When 12 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores excluding her three worst scores.
- 18.4 For the Top 20 Slalom Series, a boat's final rank in the Slalom Series (based off her total Slalom Series score with no discards) will count as her rank in the final race of the championship. Boats competing in the Top 20 Slalom series will be ranked highest in the championship. This may not apply to a boat disqualified under RRS 2, 6 or 69.
- 18.5 To request a correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a boat may complete and submit a scoring enquiry form available from the Sailingfast van. Competitors should include their hull, tramps and sail colour in an enquiry.

19 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 19.1 [DP][NP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 19.2 A safety tally system will be in operation. Tally numbers will be allocated at registration.
- 19.2.1 The tally control point will be by the picnic tables, adjacent to the dinghy park.
- 19.2.2 Competitors shall individually tally-out before racing by personally going to the tally control point and collecting their tally.
- 19.2.3 Competitors shall individually tally-in immediately on returning to shore by personally going to the tally control point and returning their tally to the board. This must be done no later than 10 minutes after the last boat has come ashore.
- 19.3 The penalty for failing to check-out or check-in as instructed above will be a standard penalty without a hearing. The standard penalty will be three points, non-excludable, added to the boat's series score. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.

20 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 20.1 In accordance with the class rules.

21 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 21.1 A boat or equipment may be checked at any time for compliance with the *rules*.
- 21.2 The penalty for infringement of a class rule may be less than disqualification.

22 OFFICIAL VESSELS

- 22.1 Official vessels will be identified as follows:
- Class coach: Green flag with WASZP insignia
 - Boats carrying spare water: Yellow flag with WASZP insignia.

23 SUPPORT VESSELS

- 23.1 See NoR 16.

24 TRASH DISPOSAL

- 24.1 Trash may be placed aboard official or support person vessels.

25 IDENTIFICATION BIBS AND ADVERTISING [DP][NP]

- 25.1 Bibs will be provided by the organising authority for competitors aboard the boats ranked first, second and third at the beginning of that day for each of the overall men's and women's divisions. Bibs shall be picked up every day during the competitors' briefing and shall be returned no later than the protest time limit. Competitors shall wear the bibs on top of any clothing or personal floatation device, visible while racing that day.
- 25.2 Rooster stickers, supplied at registration, shall be positioned all the starboard upper bow of all boats.

26 PRIZES

- 26.1 See NoR 25.

27 RISK STATEMENT

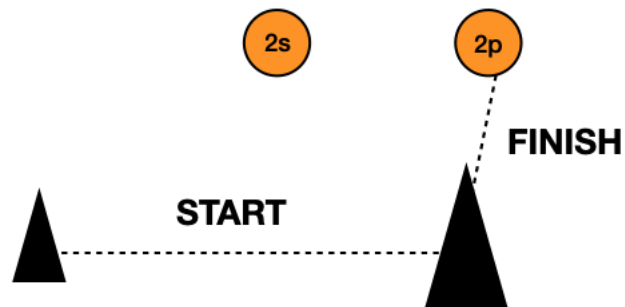
- 27.1 See NoR 23.

28 INSURANCE

28.1 See NoR 24.

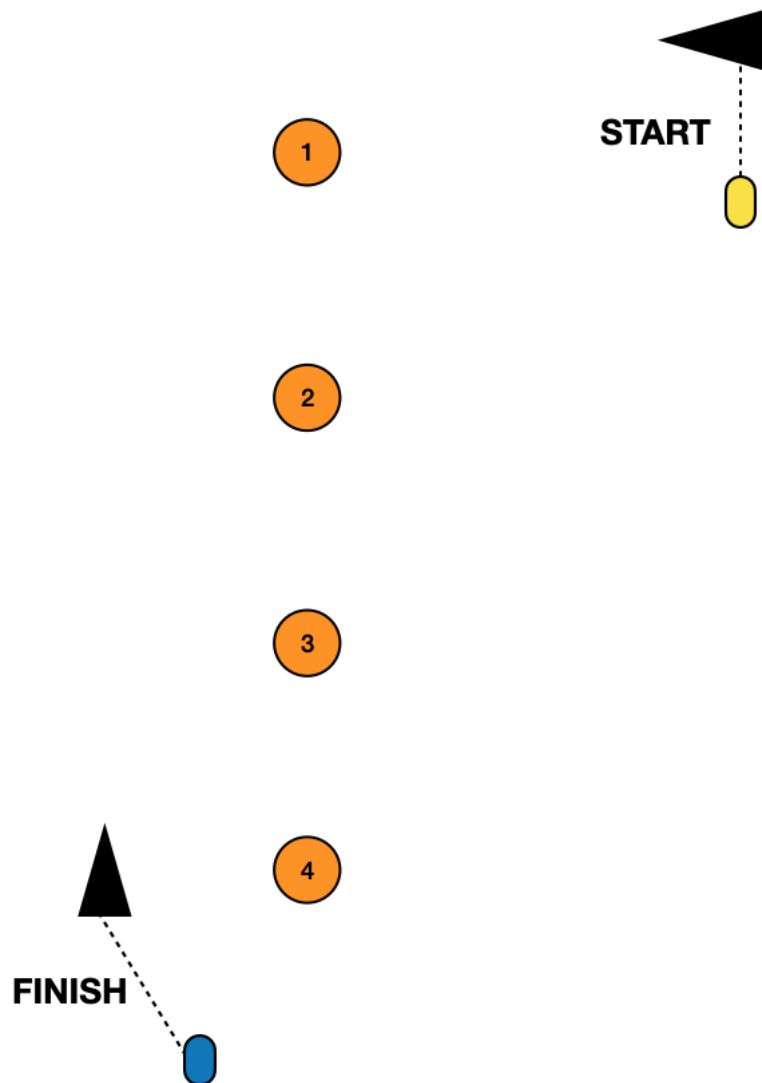
Appendix 1: Courses

Championship Course (C)



<i>Signal</i>	<i>Mark Rounding Order</i>
C1	START – 1s/1p (GATE) – 2p(p)/FINISH
C2	START – 1s/1p (GATE) – 2p/2s (GATE) – 1s/1p (GATE) – 2p(p)/FINISH
C3	START – 1s/1p (GATE) – 2p/2s (GATE) – 1s/1p (GATE) – 2p/2s (GATE) – 1s/1p (GATE) - 2p(p)/FINISH

Slalom Course



<i>Signal</i>	<i>Mark Rounding Order</i>
SLALOM	START – 1(p) – 2(s) – 3(p) – 4(s) – FINISH

Appendix 2: Sprint Tournament Sailing Instructions

These Sailing Instructions will apply to the Sprint Tournament. For the Sprint Tournament, in the event of a conflict between the Sailing Instructions and the Sprint Tournament Sailing Instructions, the rules in this Appendix will take precedence. This changes RRS 63.7.

1 FORMAT

- 1.1 The Sprint Tournament will consist of a series of Sprint racing heats with progression to the next race depending on finishing position.
- 1.2 The initial heats splits will be posted on the ONB by 0900 on 22 August. Heats will be selected based on ability level, and where ability level is unknown, randomly.
- 1.3 It is the responsibility of the competitors to understand the race code relevant to them based on their finishing position in the previous race.
- 1.4 [NP] The race code for each race will be displayed on a board on the starting vessel. Boats shall compete in the correct race.
- 1.5 [DP] All boats not racing are invited to watch but must stay at least 200m outside of the outer limits of the course and at least 200m from the starting line and its extensions.

2 START

- 2.1 The starting line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the pin end starting mark.
- 2.2 The orange flag will be displayed with one sound signal at least seven minutes before the first warning signal of the first race. The orange flag will remain displayed throughout the sprint series.
- 2.3 The starting sequence will be a 3 minute warning signal, 2 minute preparatory signal, 1 minute signal, starting signal.
- 2.4 A boat that does not start within two minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.
- 2.5 The sail numbers of boats that are scored UFD, BFD or NSC will be displayed on the finish vessel.

3 FINISH

- 3.1 The finishing line will be between the staff displaying a blue flag on the finish vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the pin end finishing mark.
- 3.2 The sail numbers of the top 10 boats in each race will be displayed on the finish vessel. Sailors must wait to check the numbers before leaving the finish area. A number that is not listed in the top 10 is assumed to be outside of the top 10. Sail numbers for the top 10 in races F1, F2, F3, F4 will not be displayed.
- 3.3 After finishing, boats shall check sail numbers to confirm which race they will sail in next. After checking the sail numbers, boats shall return to the starting line immediately.

4 PENALTIES, REDRESS AND ACTIONS OF UMPIRES

- 4.1 A boat that wishes to protest shall hail protest and/or conspicuously raise an arm at the first reasonable opportunity. A boat may only protest for an incident in which she was involved.
- 4.2 A competitor takes a penalty by performing a tack, except on a beat to windward, where the penalty shall be a gybe. This changes RRS 44.1.
- 4.3 A boat that protests has no right to a hearing, except when protesting under rule 14 (such a hearing will take place ashore after racing). Instead, the umpire will signal one of the following signals accompanied with a sound signal:
 - a) Green flag: no penalty.

- b) Red Flag: the identified boat shall take a penalty.
- c) Black flag: the identified boat is disqualified and shall leave the course.

- 4.4 An umpire may initiate a penalty for infringements of RRS 14, 31 and 42. An umpire may also impose a penalty on a boat that gains an advantage despite taking a penalty, breaks a rule deliberately or commits a breach of sportsmanship. The Umpires may also inform the race committee of any infringement of RRS 28.
- 4.5 There is no redress. This changes RRS 60.1 and 62.

5 SPRINT SCHEDULE

- 5.1 The provisional schedule for sprint racing, including progression through the series, is outlined below.

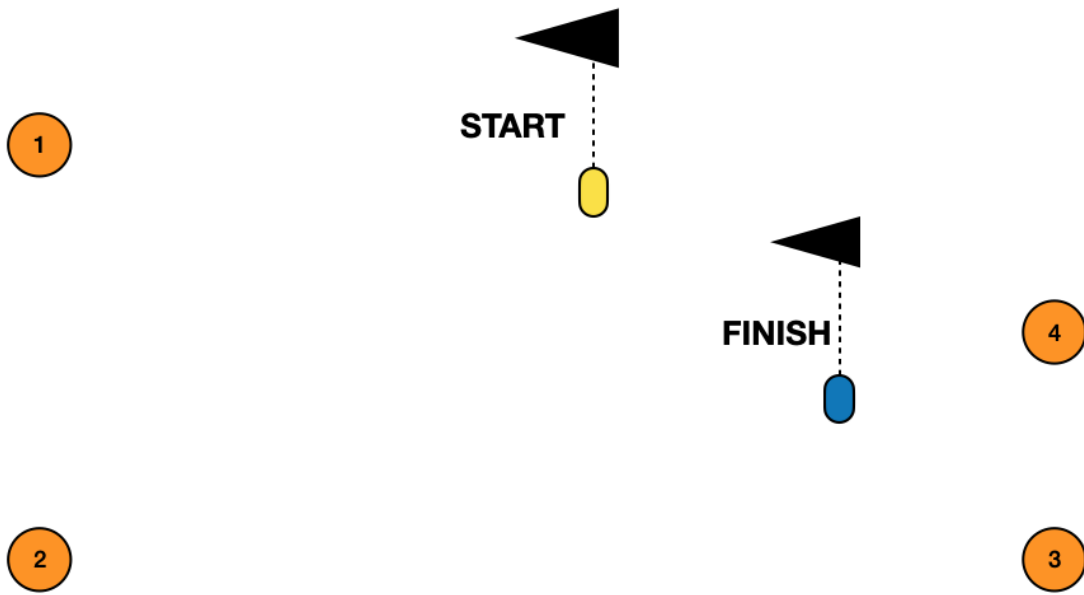
Estimated timings	Race
FIRST START	Q1
+5	Q2
+10	Q3
+15	Q4
+20	
+25	S1
+30	S2
+35	S3
+40	S4
+45	
+50	F1
+55	F2
+60	F3
+65	F4

Q1	Top 10	S1	Top 10	F1
			>10	F2
Q2	Top 10	S2	Top 10	F3
			>10	F4
Q3	Top 10	S1	Top 10	F1
			>10	F2
Q4	Top 10	S2	Top 10	F3
			>10	F4
Q3	Top 10	S3	Top 10	F1
			>10	F2
Q4	Top 10	S4	Top 10	F3
			>10	F4
Q4	Top 10	S3	Top 10	F1
			>10	F2
Q4	Top 10	S4	Top 10	F3
			>10	F4

6 SCORING

- 6.1 A boat's final rank in the Sprint Tournament will be based on her finishing position in the final round of races, with the rounds in the following order: F1, F2, F3, F4.

7 COURSE



Signal	Mark Rounding Order
SPRINT	START – 1(p) – 2(p) – 3(p) – 4(p) – FINISH