



2021 WASZP UK National Championship

incorporating the

WASZP EuroCup 2021 – UK Event

and the

U21 UK SailGP Qualifier

17th – 20th June 2021

@ Rutland Sailing Club

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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the SI's means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and the rules of the WASZP Class, except where any of these are amended by these Sailing Instructions. In the event of a conflict with the Notice of Race or Class Rules, these Sailing Instructions will prevail.
- 1.2 Competitors shall comply with the Recreational Byelaws of Anglian Waterways. All visiting boats must comply with the Check Clean and Dry Procedure to help with stopping the spread of invasive aquatic species. The Check Clean and Dry Procedure is available from the Rutland Sailing Club website www.rutlandsailingclub.co.uk
- 1.3 Competitors should note that the host sailing club implements the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be required to undertake to sail in compliance with the Charter, which can be found at the front of the RYA rule book (Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-20, or at <http://www.rya.org.uk/racing/Pages/RacingCharter.aspx>
- 1.4 Competitors should note that the host sailing club is encouraging environmental responsibility and supports initiatives such as the use of refillable drinks bottles and ensuring the disposal of single use plastic waste in the bins provided in and around the sailing club.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 The online Official Notice Board is located at waszpuk.ourclubadmin.com
- 2.2 Competitors should note that it is anticipated that all communication for this event will be online. Competitors should note that the Rutland Sailing Club WIFI system may not be accessible, and they must have access to a device which can connect to the internet via an alternative means.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board at least one hour before the advertised warning signal of the race or races concerned, and signalled by displaying IC flag L ashore. However, any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 19:00 on the day before it will take effect.

4. BRIEFINGS

- 4.1 There will be an event welcome & competitor briefing at 12:00 on Thursday 17th June on the lawn in front of the balcony of the clubhouse.
- 4.2 Daily briefings will be held on each subsequent day of the event. The time of the daily briefing will be posted on the Official Notice Board by 19:00 on the preceding day.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the halyards located on the balcony on the North West corner of the Clubhouse.

5.2 When IC Flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 20 minutes'. This changes race signal AP.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1 The championship will consist of a maximum of 12 races.
- 6.2 Up to a maximum of five races may be scheduled on any one day.
- 6.3 The intended schedule of races is as published in the Notice of Race.

7. CLASS FLAG

- 7.1 Class flag will be a flag with the WASZP Class Insignia.

7.2 RACING AREA

- 7.3 Race Area for each days' racing will be posted on the Official Notice Board no later than the start of the briefing.

8. THE COURSES

- 8.1 The racing will be on windward/leeward type courses for all Championship races. See Appendix 1.
- 8.2 Other courses that may be used for fun races to be advised at a briefing before the start of that days' racing.

9. MARKS

- 9.1 For all Championship races, marks to be used will be as noted in Appendix 1.
- 9.2 Marks to be used in the fun races will be as announced at the briefing before the start of that days' racing.

10. THE START

- 10.1 The starting line will be between a staff or mast displaying an orange flag on the committee boat and the starting mark or a staff or mast displaying an orange flag on another committee boat.
- 10.2 Races will be started as follows:

<i>Signal</i>	<i>Flag</i>	<i>Sound</i>	<i>Minutes before starting signal</i>
Alert	Orange flag displayed	1 or more sounds	5 (at least)
Warning	Class flag displayed	1 sound	3
Preparatory	P, U or Black displayed	1 sound	2
One-minute	Preparatory removed	1 long sound	1
Start	Class flag removed	1 sound	0

This changes RRS 26.

- 10.3 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

11. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 11.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position.
- 11.2 The Race Committee may not signal a change of course if a mark is moved by less than 10 degrees, or if leg length is changed by less than 100 metres from its original position. This changes RRS 33.

12. THE FINISH

- 12.1 The finishing line will be between a staff or mast displaying a blue flag on the committee boat and the finishing mark.
- 12.2 When a Safety boat displays to a racing boat Flag W with two sound signals boats may finish by this Safety boat. A boat finished in accordance with this instruction shall be given a finishing place after all boats which complete more legs of the course and then finish. This changes RRS 28 & 35.

13. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 13.1 Penalty system is as published in the Notice of Race.

14. TIME LIMITS & TARGET TIMES

- 14.1 Time limits and target times are as follows:

Racing Series	Mark 1 Time limit	Target time
Fun	10 minutes	20 minutes
Championship	20 minutes	25 minutes

If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a)

- 14.2 Boats failing to finish within 10 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This change RRS 35, A4 and A5.

15. HEARING REQUESTS

- 15.1 In addition to RRS61.1(a) a boat intending to lodge a protest must inform the Race Committee on the finishing vessel upon finishing the race. Note that an Advisory Hearing as defined in SI 15.2 does not require a sailor to inform the Race Committee boat at the finish of the race.
- 15.2 Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be e-mailed to secretary@waszp.org.uk within the appropriate time limit. This changes RRS 61.3 and 62.2. A protest form is available on the Official Notice Board at waszpuk.ourclubadmin.com.
- 15.3 The protest time limit is 45 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.
- 15.4 Notices of protests by the Race Committee or Protest Committee will be posted on the Official Notice Board to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 15.5 The hearings will be heard via video call (Zoom) unless otherwise scheduled by the protest committee. All links will be sent via email.
- 15.6 Hearing Schedule will be posted on the Official Notice Board as soon as possible after a protest has been lodged, but not later than 45 minutes after the end of Protest Time to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Protests will be heard in the order specified on the Hearing Schedule. Parties and witnesses are required to be available via video at the time stated on the Hearing Schedule. It is the responsibility of each party to ensure their witnesses are available at the time of the video call.
- 15.7 Breaches of instructions 18, 21 and 23 will not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1. Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the Protest Committee so decides.
- 15.8 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:
- (a) Within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day; or,
 - (b) No later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes RRS 66.
- 15.9 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress from a Protest Committee decision shall be delivered no later than 20 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.

16. SCORING

16.1 Scoring of races is as published in the Notice of Race.

17. SUPPORT BOATS

17.1 Support boats are not allowed.

18. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 18.1 All competitors shall wear adequate personal buoyancy (minimum standard EN393) when afloat and when adjacent to the water including on all pontoons and shorelines. Flag Y will not be displayed. This changes the Part 4 preamble. [DP].
- 18.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible [DP].
- 18.3 A Safety boat in close attendance to a craft or competitor in difficulty is considered to be an obstruction.
- 18.4 Boats wishing to sail ashore before the end of the day's racing shall not do so unless authorized by a Safety boat.[DP]
- 18.5 Boats shall follow the instructions of the Safety boats. Failure to do so will be reported to the Race Committee, which may protest the boat. Boats penalised under this instruction may be scored DNE, or such other penalty that the Protest Committee may decide. This changes RRS 64.2(a). [DP].
- 18.6 Outside Help: Penalties for breaches of RRS 41 (Outside Help) will be at the discretion of the Protest Committee. Any outside help shall be reported to the Protest Committee before the protest time limit on the day concerned. [DP].

19. EVENT ADVERTISING

19.1 Advertising instructions are as published in the Notice of Race. [DP]

20. REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT

20.1 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the Race Committee. Requests for equipment substitution shall be submitted by e-mail to secretary@waszp.org.uk before the protest time limit on the day the replacement equipment has first been used. Failure to comply with this requirement, the refusal of the request, or the failure of any replacement equipment to comply with the class rules, will result in the boat being scored DNE for the race or races concerned. [DP].

21. TRASH DISPOSAL

- 21.1 Trash on shore may be placed in bins provided in and around the sailing club [DP].
- 21.2 Trash when afloat may be placed aboard support, rescue and Race Committee boats [DP].

22. BERTHING

22.1 Berthing instructions are as published in the Notice of Race.

23. RADIO COMMUNICATION

23.1 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

24. LOCAL VARIATIONS

24.1 Boats shall not sail through the mooring area of the Cruisers in the West Creek. [DP]

24.2 Boats shall keep outside the numbered marks 11 to 18 to the east of the Clubhouse, when being used by junior sailors. [DP]

24.3 Boats shall keep clear of fishermen on the bank or afloat, especially while fishing, by approximately 40 metres. [DP]

24.4 Boats shall keep clear of the passenger carrying vessel "RUTLAND BELLE" which has right of way at all times due to its limited manoeuvrability. [DP]

24.5 Anchoring Ban - Due to an Anglian Water authority ban on anchoring in some parts of the S/E section of the reservoir, some alterations in course angles and positioning of marks or committee boats may have to be taken into consideration and this will not be grounds for redress.

25. RISK STATEMENT

25.1 Risk Statement is as published in the Notice of Race.

26. INSURANCE

26.1 Insurance requirements are as published in the Notice of Race.

Mike Haynes, 15th June 2021

