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WEYMOUTH & PORTLAND NATIONAL SAILING ACADEMY IN ASSOCIATION WITH WASZP UK CLASS ASSOCIATION

Hosted by Weymouth & Portland National Sailing Academy
Weymouth, United Kingdom

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

The notation '[NP]' in a rule of 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*.
- 1.2 Appendix T (Arbitration) will apply.
- 1.3 RRS Appendix P, Special Procedures for RRS 42, will apply as amended by the class rules, the notice of race and sailing instructions.
- 1.4 [DP] RRS 40.1 applies at all times while afloat.
- 1.5 RRS 63.7 is changed so that in the event of a conflict between the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail.

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 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.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at <https://racehub.waszp.com/eventdetail/100>.

- 3.2 The race office is located in Room 4 at WPNSA.
- 3.3 [DP] While racing from the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.
- 3.4 A unofficial WhatsApp group may be used for general communication with competitors (<https://chat.whatsapp.com/DP1qUkbVf0Y5rruvK7riTe>). Competitors should refer to the ONB for all official communications.

4 CODE OF CONDUCT [DP][NP]

- 4.1 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.
- 4.2 Failure to comply may be misconduct. Reasonable actions by event officials to implement COVID-19 guidance protocols or legislation, even if they later prove to be unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions.
- 4.3 Competitors and support persons shall place advertising provided by the Organising Authority with care, seamanship, in accordance with any instructions for its use and without interfering with its functionality. Competitors shall display Rooster stickers in the designated event advertising area on the sail. See Appendix 3 for application instructions.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the main flagpoles on the balcony at the end of the building.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in Race Signals AP.
- 5.3 Flag D with one sound means '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 60 minutes' after flag D is displayed if racing is in Weymouth Bay. Boats shall not leave the slipway until this signal is made. [DP].
- 5.4 Flag P displayed indicates racing will be Portland harbour. Flag W displayed indicates racing will be in Weymouth Bay.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1 The table below outlines the intended event schedule. See the social programme located at <https://racehub.waszp.com/eventdetail/100> for more information on social events and onshore event timings and venues.

Date	Activity	Time
23 June	Competitor Briefing (Spinnakers)	1030
	Slalom Racing (format TBC)	1157 first warning
	Post-race debrief	~45mins after last

		boat ashore
24 June	Competitor Briefing	0945
	Championship Racing (4 races)	1055 first warning
	Post-race debrief	~45mins after last boat ashore
25 June	Competitor Briefing	0945
	Championship Racing (4 races)	1055 first warning
	Post-race debrief	~45mins after last boat ashore
26 June	Competitor Briefing	0915
	Championship Racing (4 races)	1025 first warning
	Prize Giving	TBC

- 6.2 No more than six races may be sailed on one day. The intention is that racing will take place as scheduled. However, additional races may be sailed either in advance or arears in order to complete the programme if weather or other reasons dictate. This may include bringing scheduled races forward, except the first race on the first scheduled day of racing.
- 6.3 The race committee may replace slalom racing with championship racing on 23 June to maximise the championship series subject to the weather forecast. The Slalom tournament may be sailed on any other day.
- 6.4 On the last scheduled day of racing, no warning signal will be made after 1500.
- 6.5 The race committee may run non-scoring races. Non-scoring races will be signified by flag E and will not count towards the overall series.

7 CLASS FLAGS

- 7.1 The class flag will be a gold flag with black WASZP insignia.

8 RACING AREA

- 8.1 The primary racing area will be Portland Harbour. Weymouth Bay may also be used.

9 COURSES

- 9.1 The diagram in SI Appendix 1 shows the course, including the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 9.2 The number of laps to be sailed will be displayed on a board on the committee boat.
- 9.3 The approximate bearing of mark one may be displayed on the committee boat.
- 9.4 If a gate is replaced by a single mark, it is to be left to port.
- 9.5 Slalom Racing: The sailing instructions for slalom racing can be found in the Appendix 2 below.

10 MARKS

- 10.1 Mark(s) are 1p, 1s, 2p and 2s will be 1.6m blue cylindrical buoys with black bands.
- 10.2 The starting mark will be an official boat displaying an orange flag.

11 OBSTRUCTIONS [DP][NP]

- 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. The attention of all competitors, race management personnel and spectators afloat are drawn to the fact that Portland Harbour is a working port and that harbour regulations must be observed. Any directions given by Portland Harbour Authority either in person or by VHF (CH 74) shall be complied with without delay. Failure to comply with this instruction may result in a penalty.
- 11.3. Only the Northern entrance shall be used in leaving or returning to Portland Inner Harbour, unless directed otherwise by an Official or Portland Harbour Authority Boat.
- 11.4. Boats shall not transit at any time through the RNSA moorings, which are to the left of the Marina exit when leaving the Marina.

12 THE START

- 12.1 The starting line is between the staff displaying the orange flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the staff displaying an orange flag on the pin end vessel.
- 12.2 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least two minutes before the first warning signal is made.
- 12.3 A boat that does not start within five minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS 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 GRAND PRIX FINISH

- 14.1 Unless shortened in accordance with RRS 32.2, the finishing line is between the staff displaying a blue flag on the signal vessel and the course side of mark 2p.
- 14.2 When the leading boat completes the course and finishes, the Race Committee signal boat at the finish will immediately display a blue flag with a sound signal. The blue flag will be removed at the end of the finishing window time limit.

All boats that,

a) have completed a lap before the blue flag is displayed, but then fail to finish while it is displayed, or

b) cross the finishing line while the blue flag is displayed

shall be deemed to have finished irrespective of the number of laps completed. Their positions 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 and A4

15 PENALTY SYSTEM

15.1 RRS 44.1 and P2.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

15.2 RRS P2.2 and P2.3 do not apply. RRS P2.1 applies to all penalties under Appendix P. RRS P5 does not apply.

15.3 To encourage penalties to be taken for infringements, jury members may blow a whistle when they see what they believe to be a breach of a rule.

16 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

16.1 The Mark 1 Time Limit, Race Time Limit (see RRS 35), and target time are shown in the table below.

Mark 1 Time Limit	Target Time	Race Time Limit (RRS 35)	Finishing Window
15 minutes	20 minutes	40 minutes	10 minutes

16.2 If no boat has passed the first mark within the Mark 1 Time Limit, the race will be abandoned.

16.3 Failure to meet the Target Time will not be grounds for redress.

16.4 A boat that does not cross the finishing line within 10 minutes after the lead boat finishes will be scored in accordance with 14.2.

17 HEARING REQUESTS

17.1 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat finishes the last race of the day when racing in Portland Harbour or 90 minutes after the last boat finishes the last race of the day when racing in Weymouth Bay or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The time will be posted on the official notice board.

17.2 Hearing request forms are available from <https://www.wpnsa.org.uk/protest-form>.

17.3 Notices 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. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located in Room 3.

18 SCORING

18.1 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

18.2 The series will be scored as follows:

- a) When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores.
- b) 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.
- c) When 8 to 11 races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.
- d) 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.

18.3 Competitors may request a review of a boat's score by completing the online form at <https://www.wpnsa.org.uk/request-for-a-review-of-a-boats-score>.

19 SAFETY REGULATIONS [DP][NP]

19.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity. A declaration form shall be completed by competitors that have retired as soon as possible once ashore <https://www.wpnsa.org.uk/retirement-declaration>.

19.1. A safety tally system will be in operation. Tally numbers will be advised at Registration.

19.1.1. The tally control point will be by the picnic tables adjacent to the dinghy park.

19.1.2. Competitors shall individually tally-out before racing by personally going to the tally control point and collecting their tally.

19.1.3. 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.

19.1.4. 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 3 points non excludable added to the boat's series score, and 5 points for subsequent infringements. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.

20 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

20.1 Requests for substitution of equipment shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity by completing the online form <https://www.wpnsa.org.uk/request-for-a-change-of-equipment>.

21 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

21.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the *rules*.

21.2 [DP] Boats shall comply with RRS 78.1.

21.3 Boats shall not display advertising of any clothing brand other than Rooster in the designated event sticker space on the bow identified in A.1.2 of the class rules (see

Appendix 3).

22 SUPPLIED BOATS

Not applicable to this event.

23 OFFICIAL VESSELS

23.1 Official vessels will be identified as follows:

- Jury: Grey flag with a J

24 SUPPORT VESSELS [DP] [NP]

- 24.1 All support and coach boats shall register with WPNSA on arrival by completing an Event Support Boat Registration Form online at <https://www.wpnsa.org.uk/event-support-boat-registration-form>. The fee of £10 per day will be collected by card payment at Reception or over the telephone.
- 24.2 RRS 37 will be used. Except when responding to the signal in RRS 37, support boats, coaches and other support persons shall stay at least 100 metres outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start on that course until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 24.3 All support boat helms shall attend all the safety boat briefings. Details be be advised after registering.
- 24.4 Each support boat is required to carry a VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving all international ship-to-ship channels.
- 24.5 Support boat drivers and crews shall wear a personal flotation device securely fastened at all times when afloat except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wet suits and dry suits are not personal flotation devices.
- 24.6 When the support boat engine is running, coach/support boat drivers shall be connected to a device that will stop the engine if the boat driver falls out the boat or is otherwise not in control of the boat.
- 24.7 Each support boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.
- 24.8 Where possible support boats should agree to carry drinks and small bags for sailors without support boats.
- 24.9 Each coach/support boat is required to carry an anchor and line suitable for anchoring in 25 meters depth of water, a tow line, compass, and device for making sound signals.

25 TRASH DISPOSAL

25.1 Trash may be placed aboard official or support person vessels.

26 BERTHING

26.1 [DP] [NP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while in the boat park.

27 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Not applicable to this event.

28 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Not applicable to this event.

29 PRIZES

29.1 The following prizes will be awarded. All ages are taken as the competitor's age on 31 December 2022:

- 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th overall
- 1st Junior (U20)
- 1st Youth (20-25)
- 1st Apprentice (26-39)
- 1st, 2nd, 3rd Master (40-49)
- 1st, 2nd, 3rd Super Master (50+)
- 1st, 2nd, 3rd 6.9 rig
- 1st, 2nd, 3rd WASZP_X if applicable
- 1st, 2nd, 3rd Female
- Speed Demon – fastest WASZP of the event (competitors must supply their own GPS devices to record their top speeds. Information on how to take part in this competition will be provided at the competitor briefing).

29.2 **Influencer prize:** as judged by Marc Ablett (General Manager at WASZP), the sailor that creates and posts the best WASZP social media content in the lead up and during the event will have their entry fee refunded! Tag WASZP/waszp.tv and use **#waszpunknationals** to allow posts to be tracked.

30 RISK STATEMENT

30.1 Rule 3 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.'

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

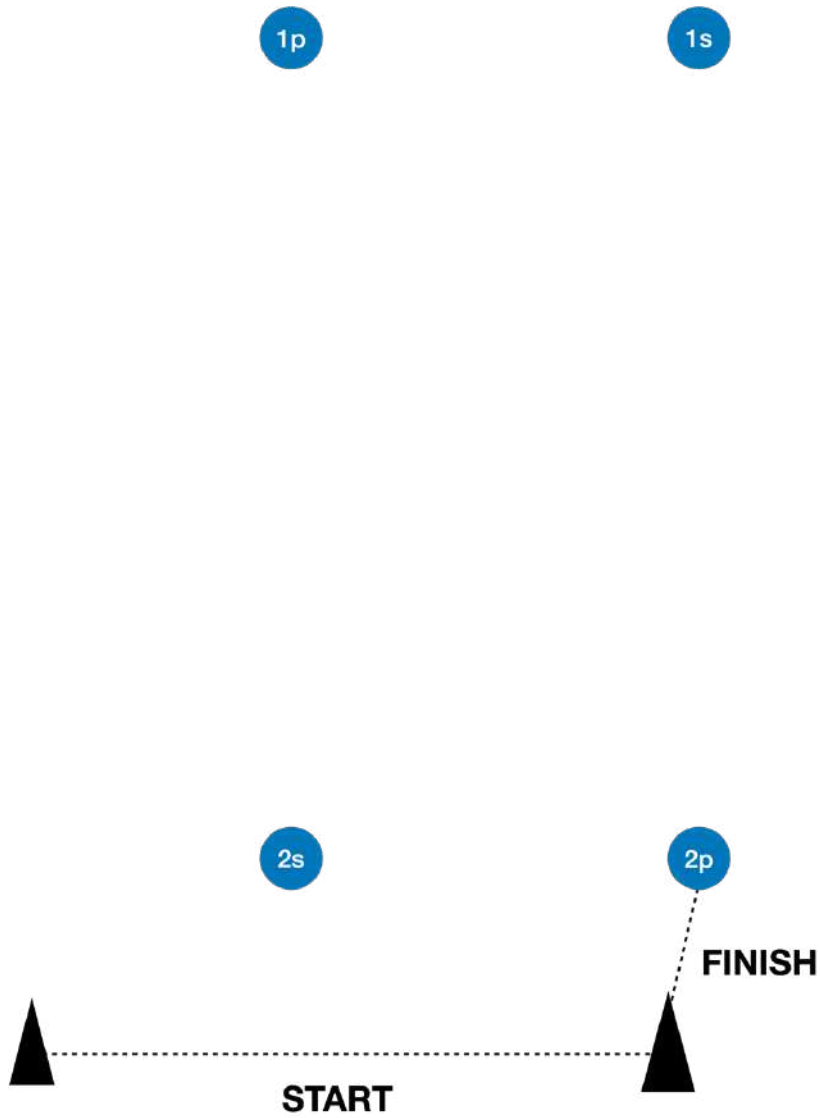
- (a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such

- inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- (b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
 - (c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
 - (d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
 - (e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
 - (f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
 - (g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any competitor briefing held for the event.

31 INSURANCE

- 31.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3 million per incident or the equivalent.

Appendix 1
Course



1 LAP	START - 1p/1s (Gate) - 2p(p) - FINISH
2 LAPS	START – 1p/1s (Gate); 2p/2s (Gate); 1p/1s (Gate); 2p(p); FINISH
3 LAPS	START – 1p/1s (Gate); 2p/2s (Gate); 1p/1s (Gate); 2p/2s (Gate); 1p/1s (Gate); 2p(p); FINISH

Appendix 2

SLALOM SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 FORMAT

- 1.1 The Slalom event will consist of a series of heats and finals. The format may also include practice rounds. Those that do not qualify for the next round will be knocked out of the competition.
- 1.2 The number of boats per heat and number of finals will be confirmed before the competitor briefing for that day.
- 1.3 The race committee will post the lists of competitors allocated to each heat on the official noticeboard prior to the competitor briefing.
- 1.4 The race committee will post the schedule of races on the official noticeboard prior to the competitor briefing. The first warning signal will be at 1157 on 23 June.
- 1.5 It is the responsibility of the sailor to understand the race number relevant to them.
- 1.6 All boats not racing are invited to watch but must stay at least 100m outside of the outer limits of the course and outside of the starting exclusion zone.

2 CHANGES TO THE SLALOM SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Changes to the slalom sailing instructions may be made ashore up to two hours prior to the first warning signal.

3 START

- 3.1 The start will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel and the course side of the pin end mark.
- 3.2 The orange flag will be displayed 7 minutes before the first warning signal of the first race of the practice round, the heats, the quarter finals, the semi-finals and the finals. The orange flag will be removed between each round of races to signify the change in level.
- 3.3 The starting sequence will be as follows. This changes RRS 26.

<i>Minutes before starting signal</i>	<i>Visual signal</i>	<i>Sound signal</i>	<i>Means</i>
3	Class flag displayed	One	Warning signal
2	Uniform or black displayed	One	Preparatory signal
1	Uniform or black removed	One	One minute
0	Class flag removed	One	Starting signal

- 3.4 The sail numbers of boats that break RRS 30.3 (uniform flag) or RRS 30.4 (black flag) will be displayed on the finish vessel.

4 FINISH

- 4.1 The finishing line will be between the staff displaying a blue flag on the finish vessel and the course side of the final mark.

5 MARKS

- 5.1 The pin end will be a dan buoy with an orange flag. The other marks of the course will be 1.6m cylindrical blue marks with black bands.

6 SCORING

- 6.1 The race committee will outline the number of competitors from each heat, quarter final and semi-final that will go through to the next round prior to or during the competitor briefing.
- 6.2 The grand final series may consist of more than one race. Each race will be scored using the low points system in RRS A4. All grand final series races will count towards the final series. This changes RRS A2.1. If there is a tie at the end of the series, boats will be ranked in order of their scores in the last race. This changes RRS A8.

7 RULES AND UMPIRING PROCEDURE

- 7.1 The Slalom event will be governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* as amended in this section.
- 7.2 **Penalties:** RRS 44.1 is changed so that the two turns and one turn penalties are replaced by a tack.
- 7.3 **Protests:** While racing, a boat may protest another boat under a rule of Part 2 (except rule 14) or under rule 31 or 42; however, a boat may only protest under a rule of Part 2 for an incident in which she was involved. To do so she shall hail 'Protest' and conspicuously raise an arm at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 7.4 A boat that protests as provided in rule 7.3 is not entitled to a hearing. Instead, a boat involved in the incident may acknowledge breaking a rule by voluntarily taking a penalty. An umpire may penalize any boat that broke a rule and was not exonerated, unless the boat took a penalty voluntarily.
- 7.5 **Umpire signals and imposed penalties:**
An umpire will signal a decision as follows:
- (a) A green and white flag with one long sound means 'No penalty.'
 - (b) A red flag with one long sound means 'A penalty is imposed or remains outstanding.' The umpire will hail or signal to identify each such boat.
 - (c) A black flag with one long sound means 'A boat is disqualified.' The umpire will hail

or signal to identify the boat disqualified.

- (d) A boat penalized under instruction 7.5(b) shall take her penalty as soon as possible after the incident, or, if the incident takes place before mark 1, as soon as possible after passing mark 1. This changes RRS 44.2.
- (e) A boat disqualified under instruction 7.5(c) shall promptly leave the course area.

7.6 Penalties and protests initiated by an umpire:

When a boat

- (a) breaks rule 31 and does not take a penalty,
- (b) breaks rule 42 and/or class rule C.1 (pumping),
- (c) gains an advantage despite taking a penalty,
- (d) deliberately breaks a rule,
- (e) commits a breach of sportsmanship, or
- (f) fails to take a penalty when required to do so by an umpire,

an umpire may penalize her without a protest by another boat. The umpire may impose one or more penalties, each signalled in accordance with instruction 7.5(b), or disqualify her under instruction 7.5(c), or report the incident to the protest committee for further action. If a boat is penalized under instruction 7.6(f), the original penalty is cancelled.

7.7 Protests; requests for redress or reopening; appeals; other proceedings:

- (a) No proceedings of any kind may be taken in relation to any action or non-action by an umpire.
- (b) A boat intending to
 - (i) protest another boat under a rule other than rule 28 or a rule listed in instruction 7.3,
 - (ii) protest another boat under rule 14 if there was contact that caused damage or injury, or
 - (iii) request redress

shall inform the race committee on the finish vessel by hailing within three minutes of the last boat finishing the race. The race committee will promptly inform the protest committee about any protests or requests for redress. The protest committee shall extend the time limit if there is good reason to do so.

7.8 Hearings:

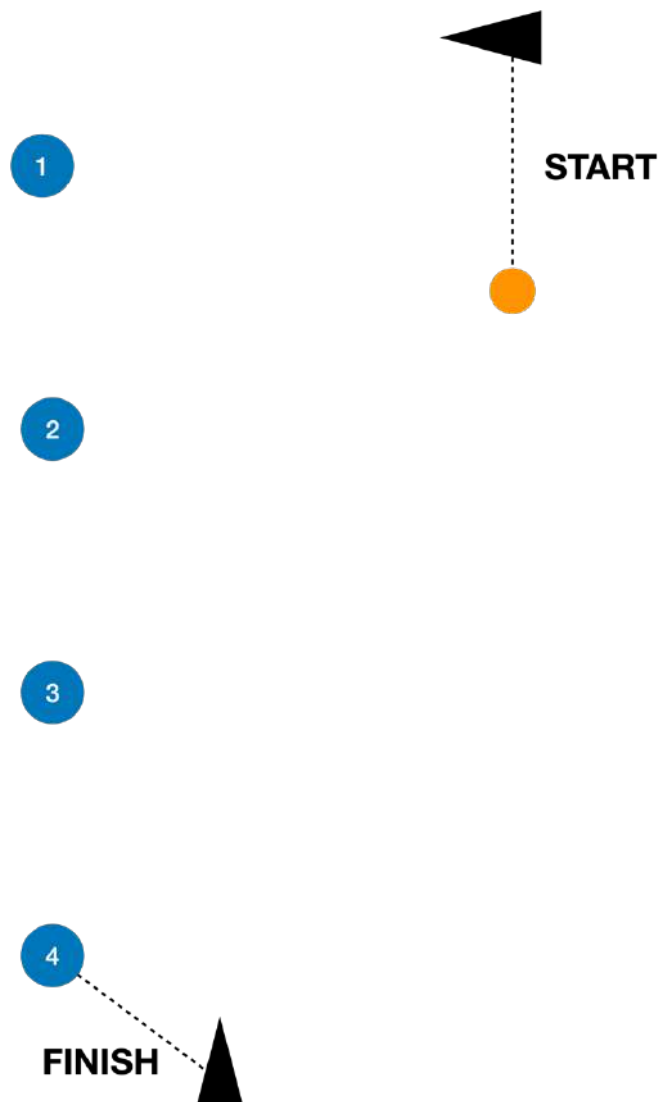
Except for a hearing under rule 69.2

- (a) Protests and requests for redress need not be in writing.
- (b) The protest committee may inform the protestee and schedule the hearing in any way it considers appropriate and may communicate this orally.
- (c) The protest committee may take evidence and conduct the hearing in any way it considers appropriate and may communicate its decision orally.

- (d) Rule 66.2 is changed to 'A party to the hearing under this appendix may not request a reopening.']

8 COURSE

8.1 Start – 1(p) – 2(s) – 3(p) – 4(s)/Finish



Appendix 3 Rooster Sail Stickers



- Ensure the sail is free of salt and dry
- Apply the sticker to the **starboard side**
- Remove or cover any branding of competitor clothing brands from the designated event sticker space on the bow (the below is taken from the class rules for reference)

Section III - Appendices – A.1.2

