



2022 End of Season Championship

12th – 13th November 2022

@ Rutland Sailing Club

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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the Sailing Instructions (SI's) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

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, or at <http://www.rya.org.uk/racing/Pages/RacingCharter.aspx>).
- 1.4 Appendix T (Arbitration) will apply.
- 1.5 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 <https://racehub.waszp.com/eventdetail/104>.
- 2.2 The Race Office is located at Reception, Rutland Sailing Club.

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 20:00 on the day before it will take effect.

4. BRIEFINGS

- 4.1 There will be an event welcome & competitor briefing at 10:30 on Saturday 12th November in the wet bar of the clubhouse.
- 4.2 A WhatsApp group may be used for unofficial communication with competitors. Competitors should refer to the ONB for all official communications. (<https://chat.whatsapp.com/DQgFfwMOs0x3dxhMumxyvw>).

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 30 minutes'. This changes race signal AP.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1 The championship will consist of up to a maximum of 10 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:

Date	Scheduled race format	Time of first warning signal
Saturday 12 th	NASCAR (x3) and Two-Towers (x1)	1125 To follow after NASCAR races
Sunday 13 th	Championship racing (x4)	1025

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 five minutes before a warning signal is made.

6.5 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1500.

7. CLASS FLAG

7.1 Class flag will be a gold flag with WASZP class logo.

8. RACING AREA

8.1 The racing area is Rutland Water.

9. THE COURSES

9.1 The diagrams in Appendix 1 show the courses, including the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left.

9.2 The Race Committee may modify the Two-Towers courses up to one hour prior to the start of the first race of the day and any change will be advised at the briefing.

9.3 The type of racecourse to be sailed will be displayed on a chalkboard on the stern of the Committee Boat no later than five minutes before the warning signal of that race.

9.4 For NASCAR racing, there will be no set number of laps.

9.5 For championship course racing, the number of laps to be sailed will be displayed on a chalkboard on the Committee Boat prior to the warning signal.

10. MARKS

10.1 Mark(s) are large spherical marks of colours as indicated on the course diagrams in Appendix 1.

11. THE START

11.1 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.

11.2 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

12. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the Race Committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position.

12.2 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.

13. THE FINISH

13.1 The finish for each racecourse type is described below:

13.2 NASCAR racing:

- a) The finishing line is between the staff displaying a blue flag on the signal vessel and the pin end mark or mast displaying an orange flag on another committee boat.
- b) After approximately 15 minutes of racing, the signal vessel will display the blue flag with a sound signal (regardless of the location of the lead boat on the course).
- c) All boats that,
 - i. have completed a lap before the blue flag is displayed, but then fail to finish while it is displayed, or
 - ii. 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.

13.3 Two-Towers (long-distance) race

- a) The finishing line is between the two club starting marks near the clubhouse with Yellow buoys attached.
- b) To be scored, boats shall either sail the course and cross the finishing line or be finished as described in SI13.5. A boat that does not finish by either of these methods will be scored DNF.
- c) Boats that sail the short course option shall declare the course they sailed to the Race Office as soon as possible

after crossing the finishing line or after they are finished as described in SI13.5. Boats that declare they sailed the short course option will be scored behind the boats that sailed the long course. This changes RRS 28.1 and A4.

13.4 Championship racing:

- a) 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.
- b) When the leading boat completes the course and finishes, the signal vessel 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.
- c) All boats that,
 - i. have completed a lap before the blue flag is displayed, but then fail to finish while it is displayed, or
 - ii. 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 scored by the Race Committee in their last known positions. This changes RRS 28.1 and A4.

13.5 For all types of course, when a Safety Boat displays Flag W with two sound signals to a racing boat, boats shall finish by this Safety Boat. A boat finished in accordance with this instruction will be scored by the Race Committee in their last known position in that race. This changes RRS 28.1, A5.1 and A5.2.

14. PENALTY SYSTEM

14.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

15. TIME LIMITS

15.1 The Mark 1 Time Limit, Race Time Limit (see RRS 35), and the Finishing Window for each race format are shown in the tables below.

NASCAR racing		
Mark 1 Time Limit	Race Time Limit	Finishing window
10 minutes	30 minutes	8 minutes
Two-Towers (long-distance) race		
Mark 1 Time Limit	Race Time Limit	Finishing window
20 minutes	60 minutes	60 minutes
Championship racing		
Mark 1 Time Limit	Race Time Limit	Finishing window
15 minutes	40 minutes	10 minutes

15.2 If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned. This changes RRS 35.

16. HEARING REQUESTS

16.1 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat finishes the last race of the day or the Race Committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The time of the protest time limit will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

16.2 Protest forms will be available from the Race Office.

16.3 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).

16.4 Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the Race Office within the appropriate time limit. This changes RRS 61.3 and 62.2.

16.5 Hearing Schedule will be posted on the Official Notice Board not later than 30 minutes after the end of Protest Time to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses and the location of the protest room.

16.6 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.

16.7 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.

17. SCORING

17.1 All races of any format will be weighted equally.

17.2 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

17.3 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 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

18. PRIZES

18.1 Prizes will be awarded for the **top fancy dress sailing** (judged by the Race Committee), the top three overall, the top female, the top 6.9 rig, the fastest sailor and the winners of relevant age categories.

19. SAFETY REGULATIONS

19.1 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].

19.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee or a Safety Boat as soon as possible [DP].

19.3 A Safety Boat in close attendance to a craft or competitor in difficulty is considered to be an obstruction.

20. REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT

20.1 In accordance with the class rules [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 Unless a boat is owned by a Rutland Sailing Club Member, boats shall be kept in the designated area on the front lawn when ashore. [DP], [NP].

23. LOCAL VARIATIONS

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

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

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

23.4 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]

23.5 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.

24. RISK STATEMENT

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

25. INSURANCE

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

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Appendix 1

Courses

Course diagrams are approximate and are not drawn to scale to indicate leg lengths or angles.

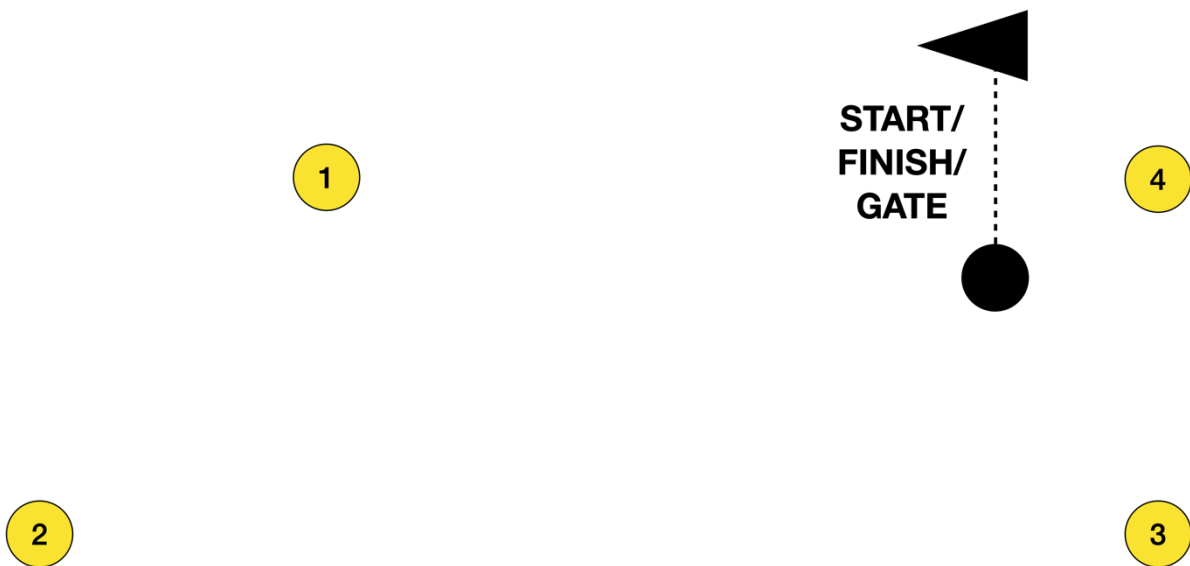
NASCAR Course

Marks:

1, 2, 3 & 4 are Yellow

Pin end is a Black mark or a staff or mast on a RIB displaying on orange flag.

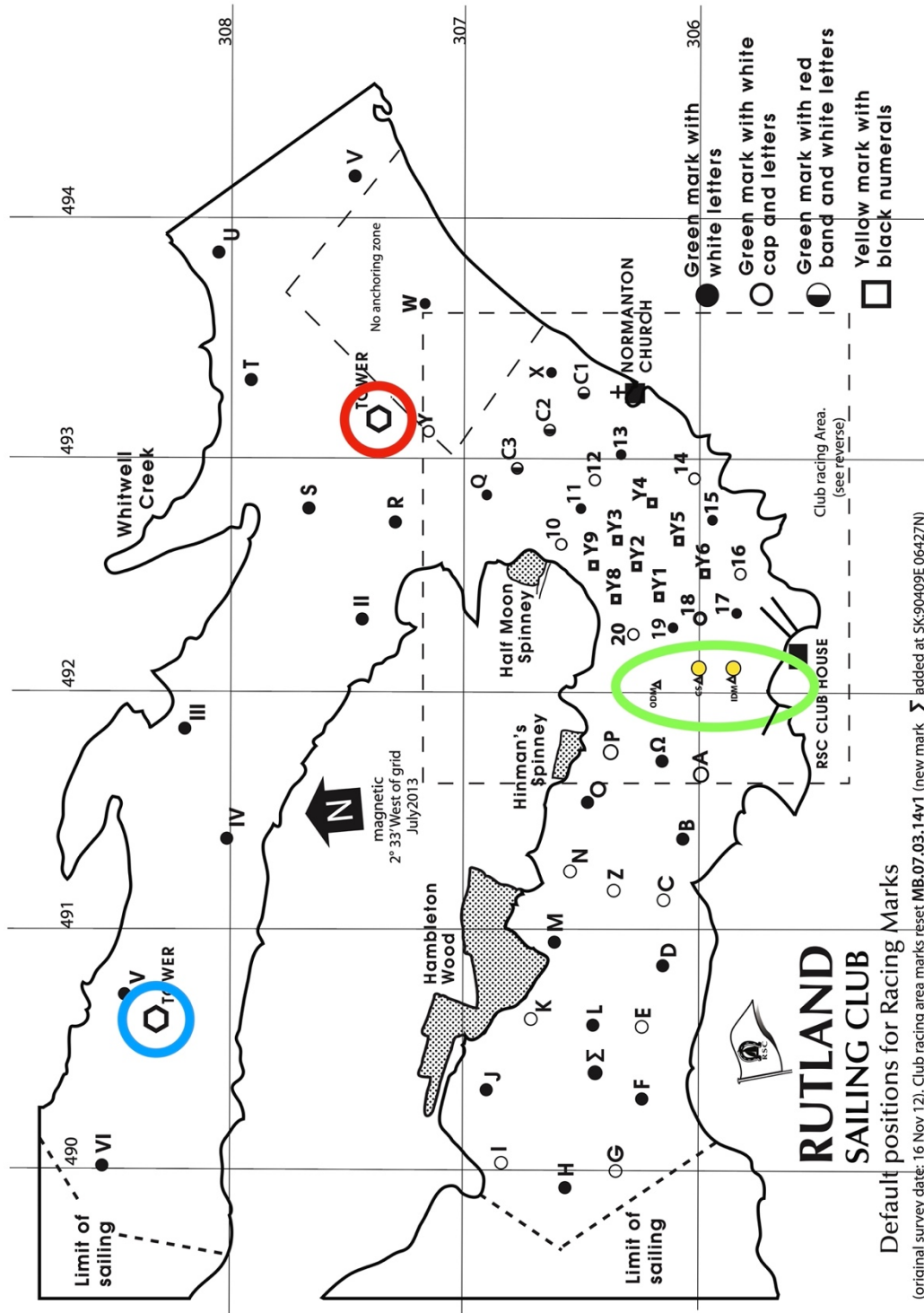
Competitors must pass through the Gate on every lap



Each lap of multiple laps	Start – 1(p) – 2(p) – 3(p) – 4(p) - Gate
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Two-Towers Course

Subject to change at the discretion of the Race Committee – see SI 9.2.



Provisional long course	Start – Yellow inflatable – East Tower to port – West Tower to port – East Tower to starboard – Finish
Provisional short course	Start – Yellow inflatable – East Tower to port – Finish

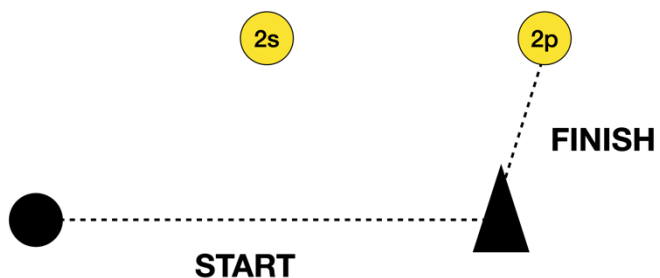
Direction of rounding of the Yellow inflatable mark subject to wind direction. The finishing line is expected to be between the two club starting marks near the clubhouse with Yellow buoys attached.

Championship Course

Marks:

1P, 1S, 2S and 2P are Yellow

Pin End is Black



1 LAP	Start – 1s/1p (Gate) – 2p(p)/Finish
2 LAPS	Start – 1s/2p (Gate) – 2s/2p (Gate) – 1s/1p (Gate) – 2p(p)/Finish
3 LAPS	Start – 1s/2p (Gate) – 2s/2p (Gate) – 1s/1p (Gate) – 2s/2p (Gate) – 1s/1p (Gate) – 2p(p)/Finish