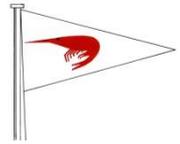


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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS FOR DINGHY RACING

- 1) By entering a race the competitor agrees to be bound by the ISAF Rules of Sailing and by these Sailing Instructions, except where varied by the Sailing Committee
- 2) Boats enter a race by being signed in, in person, by a member of the crew before the start of the race. Participants shall pay £2.00 per race per entry - cadets and visiting sailors shall not pay a race fee
- 3) Notwithstanding ISAF Rule 4, the OOD shall be able to refuse entry to a race to anyone who, in their judgement, is likely to put themselves and/or others at unreasonable risk if allowed to compete. The act of refusing entry to one or more competitors will not in any way limit or reduce the absolute responsibility of all remaining competitors for the decision to participate in the race, as stated in ISAF Rule 4. The race organisers shall not be responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury howsoever caused to the competitor as a result of their taking part in a race. Moreover, every competitor warrants the suitability of their boat for a race
- 4) The safety of a boat and her entire management including insurance shall be the sole responsibility of the competitor racing the boat, who shall ensure that the boat is fully found, thoroughly seaworthy and manned by a crew sufficient in number and experience who are physically fit to face bad weather. The competitor shall be satisfied as to the soundness of the hull, spars, rigging, sails and all gear
- 5) A race shall have a minimum of three starters
- 6) Each boat shall have Third Party Insurance to the value of at least £2,000,000
- 7) Course information shall be posted at the Starting Station
- 8) Personal flotation devices shall be worn by all competitors (ISAF Rule 40)
- 9) The Start Line shall be defined by the mast on the Starting Station and the Transit Mark on the beach - the seaward limit of the Start Line shall be defined by an orange outer limit mark, unless otherwise specified on the day
- 10) The Finish Line shall be defined by the mast on the Starting Station and an orange outer limit mark, unless otherwise specified on the day
- 11) Starting signals shall generally be in accordance with Rule 26 but varied as follows:

Signal	Minutes before starting signal	Board	Sound
Warning	5	Red board	1 sound
Preparatory	4	`P' board	1 sound
One-minute	1	`P' board removed	1 long sound
Starting	0	Red board removed	1 sound

- 12) Unless otherwise stated on the day, boats shall finish within half an hour of the first monohull
- 13) All competitors shall sign off in person no later than half an hour after the boat's finishing time for the last race of the day unless prevented from doing so. A boat's crew may also sign off via the Safety Boat radio if they intend to sail off after their last race
- 14) Competitors should make all possible efforts to resolve any disputes on the water. If absolutely necessary protests shall be made to the OOD as soon as practicable after finishing or retiring - a completed protest form shall be submitted within half an hour of this notification. The OOD will inform the other party(s), form a Protest Committee and convene a hearing which will take place as soon as practicable, but in any case within seven days
- 15) The establishment of these Sailing Instructions will not in any way limit or reduce the absolute responsibility of the competitor for his crew, the boat and the management thereof