Royal Cork Yacht Club ILCA/Topper/Mixed Dinghies Defroster League

Sundays 25th February, 3rd, 10th and Monday 18th of March 2024

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

1 RULES

1.1 The Racing will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024, the ISA prescriptions thereto, Notice of Race, these Sailing Instructions

2 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

2.1 Notices to competitors shall be posted on the RCYC Defrosters WhatsApp group.

2.2 The competitors briefing will take place at 10.00 am at Dinghy Centre RCYC Sunday 25th February, 3rd March 10th and 18th of March

3 RACE OFFICE & SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

3.1 The Race Office is the RCYC Dinghy Centre

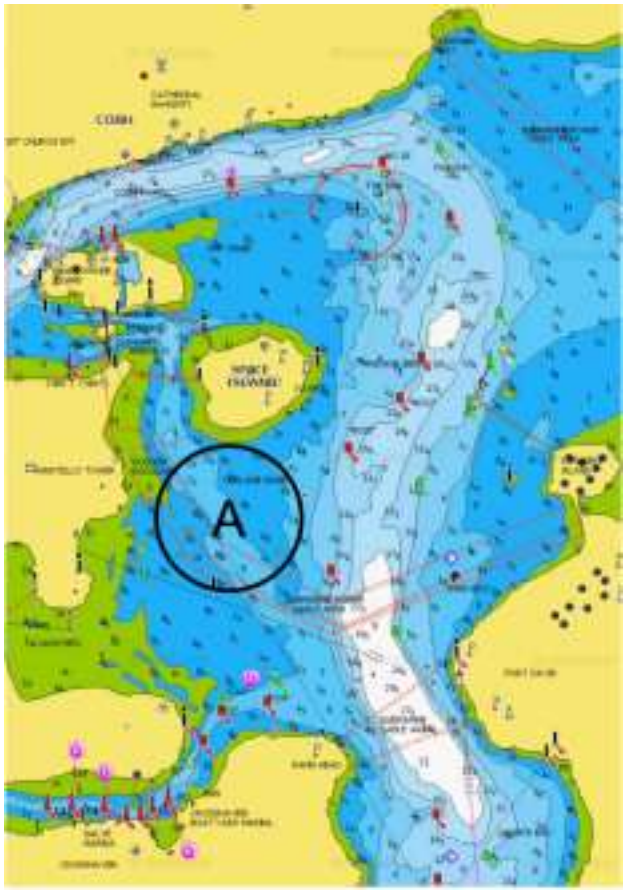
4 SCHEDULE

4.1 The schedule for the day is outlined below:

Sunday 25 Feb	Briefing FG	10.00 11.00
Sunday 3 Mar	Briefing FG	10.00 11.00
Sunday 10 Mar	Briefing FG	10.00 11.00
Monday 18 Mar	Briefing FG	10.00 11.00

5 RACING AREA

5.1 The racing area will be on the Curlane Bank (A). Race areas will be described at the competitors' briefing.



6 MARKS AND COMMITTEE BOATS

6.1 All racing marks are spherical orange/ pink buoys

6.2 The pin end starting mark, white ball-type buoy or rib with red and white pole.

6.3 The pin end of the finishing line is a spherical buoy unless a racing mark on the course is utilised.

7. THE COURSE

8.1 The course as described in Appendix 1 which shows the course, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which the marks are to be passes and the side on which mark is to be left.

- Course A Square course - Appendix 1

8.2 Course changes/ laps may be made based on (i) updates provided in the Competitors briefing or (ii) as displayed/instructed on the water by the Race Officer.

8. MARKS

8.1 Marks 1, 2, 3 and 4 will be orange buoy marks.
8.2 The start mark will be a white buoy
8.3 The finish line mark will be a white buoy.
8.4 The Committee Vessel will be described at briefing.

9. THE START

9.1 Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26 *(5-4-1-Go).*
9.2 The starting line will be between a **candy-striped pole** on the of the Committee Vessel and white buoy.
9.3 To alert boats that a race will begin soon, a class flag will be displayed with repeated sound signal at least one minute before the warning signal is displayed.
9.4 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

10 FINISHING LINE

10. The finish line will be between a red and white pole on the Committee Vessel and a White buoy ODM of the port side of the Committee Vessel. The only exception is when the Committee Vessel is not used as the finishing vessel.

11.TIME LIMIT

11.1 The target time for each race is approx. 40 minutes and the time limit for a race shall be 60 minutes for first boat to finish.

11.2 Any boat not finishing within 10 minutes after the first boat of their class to finish shall be scored as DNF. This changes RRS 35 and A5.

11.3 If no boat has rounded the first mark within 15 minutes after a valid start, the race shall be abandoned

12. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

12.1 Protests forms are available at the race office. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.

12.2 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day. The actual Time Limit will be posted on the official Regatta Notice Board.

12.3 Notices will be posted on the official Regatta Notice Board within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

12.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or jury will be posted on the official Regatta Notice Board to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).

12.5 All protests will be under Arbitration.

15. Scoring

15.1 The Toppers and Ilca 4 will be raced and scored on current Portsmouth Yardstick (2023)

15.2 Ilca 6 & 7 will be raced as single class & scored on current Portsmouth Yardstick (2023)

15.3 All other mixed dinghies will be raced a single class & scored on current Portsmouth Yardstick (2023)

15.4 As defined in the Notice of Race. Scoring system shall be RRS Appendix A4.1 *(min.2 races for a Series; 3 or less races = no discard; 4 + = 1 discard)* ,8 + = 2 discards

Appendix 1

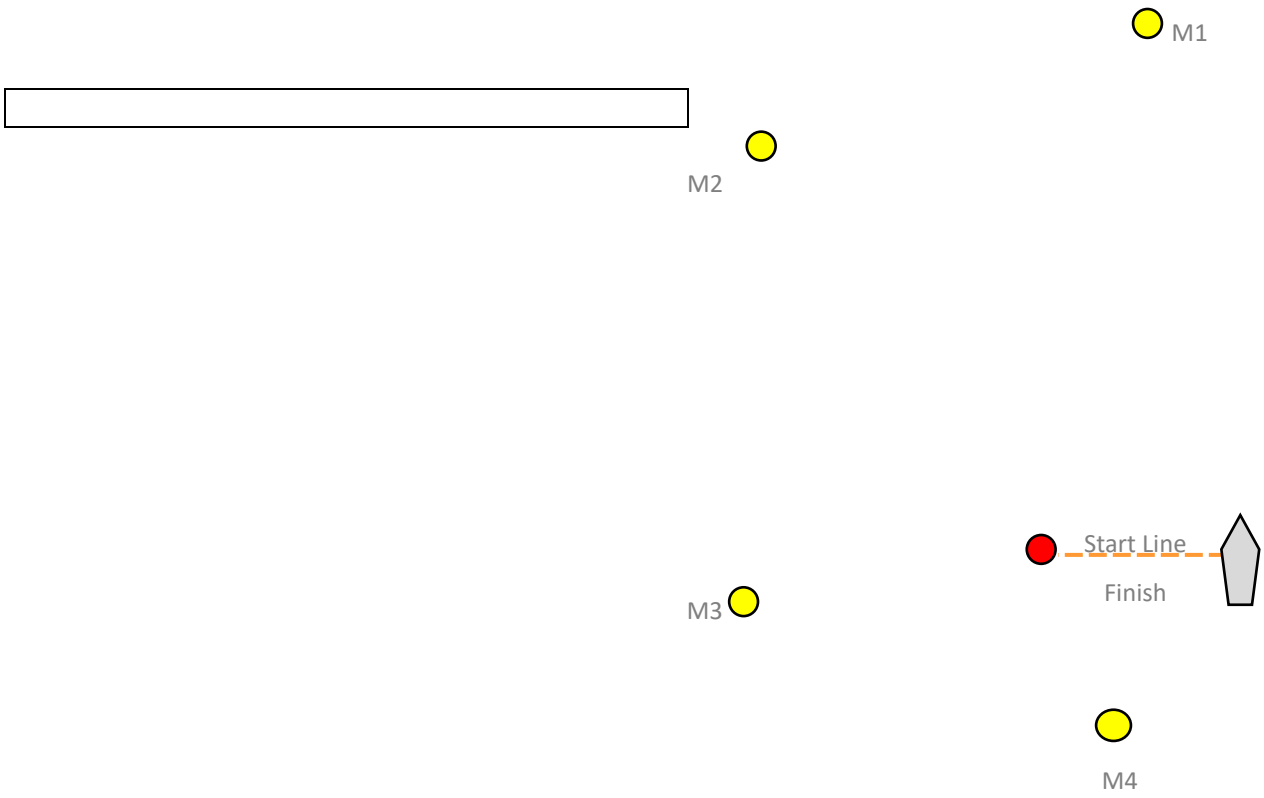
Trapezoid Course

Course 1

Start 1,2,3,2,3,4 Finish

Course 2

Start 1,4,1,2,3,2,3,4 Finish



Note:

Mark colours are for reference only.

There may be a separate start and finish boat.