



The John Lewis Partnership Regatta

1st & 2nd October 2011

Organised by the
Island Sailing Club,
Cowes IW

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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All times are BST
High Water Portsmouth:
Sat: 1259 5.1m
Sun: 0119 5.0m & 1342 5.0m

1 RULES

- 1.1 Racing will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), together with, as appropriate, the ISAF Offshore Special Regulations for Category 4 (modified), IRC Rules Parts 1, 2 & 3 – including sail limitations, the Island Sailing Club Rating System (ISCRS), the Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions. In the event of conflict, these Sailing Instructions will prevail.
- 1.2 The 'Moving Prohibited Zone' referred to in the Southampton Harbour Byelaw 2003 No 11 and S.I. 9.4.2 shall rank as an obstruction to boats racing (see diagram).

2 CHANGES TO RACING RULES

Changes to the RRS are included in SIs 12 and 14.2.

3 ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1 A boat is eligible to race in accordance with the requirements of the Notice of Race.
- 3.2 Upon demand the boat's valid measurement or rating certificate shall be presented at the Race Office. Only under exceptional circumstances will RRS 78.2 be applied.
- 3.3 Boats may be subject to inspection before or after the race at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 3.4 No new or amended ratings will be accepted after 1200 two working days before the day of the first scheduled race.
- 3.5 Boats whilst racing shall wear on the backstay the International Code Flag/Numeral Pennant of their class.

4 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 4.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the Lower marquee at the Island Sailing Club, and where possible on the ISC website.
- 4.2 The Race Committee may communicate race information to competitors on VHF Channel 37A (M). No acknowledgement to these announcements will be required, and return traffic may not be acknowledged.

5 CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted not less than two hours before the advertised starting times of the race or races concerned. Changes to the sailing instructions will be indicated by displaying IC flag "L" from the ISC flagstaff together with the numeral pennant denoting the number of the latest amendment. It is the responsibility of all competitors to obtain the amendment from the Race Office.

6 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals will be displayed on the Island Sailing Club flagstaff.

7 SCHEDULE OF RACES

Saturday	Warning Signal	Starting Signal
Race 1 IRC Class	1025	1030
Race 1 ISCRS Class	1035	1040

Race 2 The Warning Signal for IRC Rated yachts will not be before 1300. The Warning Signal for ISCRS Rated Yachts will be 10 minutes after the Warning Signal for IRC Rated Yachts.

Sunday	Warning Signal	Starting Signal
Race 3 IRC Class	0955	1000
Race 3 ISCRS Class	1005	1010

8 CLASS FLAGS

IRC Rated Yachts - IC Numeral 3
 ISCRS Rated Yachts - IC Numeral 4

9 THE COURSE

- 9.1 Course Area - The Solent.
- 9.2 The Course(s) to be sailed will consist of fixed Solent marks or a combination of fixed and specially laid marks, which have each been allocated a code letter, number or symbol as listed in these instructions. Any specially laid marks will be orange inflatable cylindrical buoys.
- 9.3 The course to be sailed, and the number of rounds, will be displayed exhibiting the code for the marks in the order of rounding reading from top left to bottom right in the frame on the Club balcony.

9.3.1 An ORANGE or RED letter, number or symbol indicates the mark shall be rounded to PORT

9.3.2 A YELLOW or GREEN letter, number or symbol indicates the mark shall be rounded to STARBOARD.

9.3.3 When TWO or THREE DIAMONDS are shown, the sequence displayed before the diamonds shall be sailed TWO or THREE times respectively; then continued to any mark(s) shown after the diamonds.

9.4 Prohibitions

9.4.1 Boats shall not pass to the North of: a) Horse Sand Fort; or: b) The obstructions of the row of iron piles off Durns Point, east of Lymington.

9.4.2 Boats shall not enter the 'Moving Prohibited Zone' referred to in Southampton Harbour Byelaw 2003 No 11 (see SI 1.2)

10 THE START

10.1 Starting Line. The Starting Line is the extension of a line through the two Club flagstaffs, each bearing an orange panel with a black cross.

10.2 Outer Distance Mark. The Outer Distance Mark (ODM) is a specially laid black inflatable buoy with the ISC burgee on white panels. If, for any reason, this buoy is not laid, the ODM will be either the yellow cylindrical Trinity House Mooring Buoy, (Position 50° 46.31N 01°17.75W) indicated by the symbol ↓ when starting to the West or Prince Consort Cardinal Mark indicated by the symbol P when starting to the East. (These marks are not on the transit and are starting marks of the course only if the inflated ODM (+) is **not** laid.)

10.3 Inner Distance Mark. An Inner Distance Mark (IDM), which will be an

orange inflatable buoy, may be laid. If laid, boats shall pass between it and the ODM when starting.

10.4 Starting Procedure. A yacht starting more than 10 minutes after her class start shall be scored DNS.

11 FINISHING

11.1 The Finishing Line, which is not the same as the Starting Line, is defined as the line between the rear Club flagstaff and the yellow cylindrical Trinity House Mooring Buoy (↓).

11.2 Yachts shall keep well clear of the finishing line after finishing.

12 TIME LIMITS

12.1 RRS 35 will not apply.

12.2 The time limits will be:

	TIME LIMIT	
Saturday	Race 1 will be 3 hours	Race 2 will be 3 hours
Sunday	The time limit for Race 3 will be 4 hours	

12.3 When the first boat finishes within the time limit, the race will be valid for those boats finishing within 60 minutes of the finishing time of the first boat or the time limit whichever is the later.

12.4 When no boat finishes within the time limit, the race will be abandoned and will not be re-sailed.

13 PROTESTS

Protest forms are available from the Race Office, downloaded from http://www.islandsc.org.uk/racing_charts.aspx or ISC Bar. Protests shall be delivered to the Race Office at the ISC not later than one hour after the protesting boat has finished racing for the day. The time and place of any hearing will be displayed on the official notice board. It is the responsibility of both the protestor and protestee to ascertain the time and place of the hearing.

14 SCORING

14.1 Corrected Time. Boats will be placed in sequence from the shortest corrected time after the elapsed time has been multiplied by the relevant correction factor.

14.2 All races are to count (This changes RRS A2).

15 SAFETY REGULATIONS

A boat that retires from a race is asked to notify the Race Committee as soon as possible either by VHF Radio on channel 37A (M) or by telephone (01983) 249436.

16 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded by the John Lewis Partnership Sailing Club at its annual dinner on **Saturday 12 November 2011**.

17 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

The Island Sailing Club is providing this regatta only on the understanding that the Club and its representatives shall not be liable for any loss, damage, death or personal injury howsoever caused to the owner/competitor, his skipper or crew as a result of their taking part in the race or races. Moreover, every owner/competitor warrants the suitability of his boat for the race or races. The safety of a boat and her entire management including insurance shall be the sole responsibility of the owner/competitor who must ensure that the boat is fully found, thoroughly seaworthy and manned by a crew of sufficient number and experience who are physically fit to face bad weather. The owner/competitor must be satisfied as to the soundness of the hull, spars, rigging, sails and all gear. He must ensure that all safety equipment is properly maintained, stowed and in date and that the crew know where it is kept and how it is to be used. Neither the establishment of these conditions and their use by the race organisers, nor the inspection of the boat under these conditions, in any way limits the absolute responsibility of the owner/competitor. The crew is nonetheless advised to satisfy themselves as to the experience of the skipper and the adequacy of all safety equipment and insurance arrangements.

18 RYA CHARTER

Competitors are reminded that Island Sailing Club events implement the RYA Racing Charter and that competitors are required to sail in accordance with the Charter, which can be found at the front of the RYA rule book (Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012) or on the internet at www.rya.org.uk/racing/charter

Documents for viewing or download go to: http://www.islandsc.org.uk/racing_charts.aspx

PRECAUTIONARY AREA PAGE

HIGH VOLTAGE CABLES CHART

EAST WEST SOLENT CHART

CENTRAL SOLENT CHART

MARKS OF THE SOLENT



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