



# Calshot Sailing Club

## Club Race Sailing Instructions



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### 1 Rules

- 1.1 Events are governed by the 2013-16 Racing Rules of Sailing including RYA prescriptions, the class rules of the boats entered, the Calshot Sailing Club Safety Policy and these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 In the event of any conflict these Sailing Instructions shall take precedence.
- 1.3 Where Class Rules prescribe single manufacturer sails it is acceptable to use generic sails providing they can be shown to be of identical size and cut and they abide by the principle of fair sailing.

### 2 Eligibility

- 2.1 Ordinary races are open to members and their guests unless stated otherwise.
- 2.2 Open events are open to members of the club or any other RYA affiliated sailing club or relevant class association upon payment of the appropriate fee.

### 3 Entry

- 3.1 Competitors are required to register for a race by signing on before launching by entering all the following information on the race sheet:

**Helm name, Crew name (if present), Class of Boat, Sail number (if present) & PY number**

- 3.2 Boats which compete without doing this may be given a score as if they had not entered.
- 3.3 A race will only be held if there are 2 or more entries.

### 4 Starting Time & Sequence

- 4.1 A race cannot start earlier than the time advertised in the race programme.
- 4.2 The OOD may delay the start by raising the red & white striped postponement flag accompanied by 2 sound signals. The start sequence should begin 1 minute after this flag is lowered – lowering accompanied by 1 sound signal.
- 4.3 The start sequence is shown below:

	5 min 	4 min 	1 min 	Start 
Flags				

### 5 Courses

- 5.1 Are determined by the OOD & displayed on the blackboard.
- 5.2 The start line is from the flagpole on the tower to the start buoy. If the black transit pole is put up this will only be a guide.
- 5.3 Alternative start line may be defined by the OOD. In this instance details shall be provided on the course board.
- 5.4 No boat shall enter the shipping channel except for the purposes of rendering assistance or avoiding a collision.

### 6 Recalls

- 6.1 If any part of a boat's hull, crew or equipment is over the line the individual recall flag will be displayed until all such boats have returned completely to the pre-start side of the line.
- 6.2 General recall flag is displayed to recall a whole class or race.
- 6.3 The start sequence will begin at the OOD's discretion after a general recall, the start sequence recommencing one minute after the General recall flag is lowered.



### 7 Duration of Race

- 7.1 Unless stated otherwise club races are between 45min and an hour long.
- 7.2 The duration is displayed on the board as a number of laps or an approx time.



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- 7.3 There shall be an overall time limit of 2 hours for the first boat to finish, subsequent boats must finish within ½ hour of the first.
- 7.4 The shortened course flag shall be displayed when boats are required to finish.
- 7.5 If the duration is indicated as a number of laps & the OOD needs to finish boats before they have completed this number then the shortened course flag must be displayed.
- 7.6 Once the shortened course flag has been raised all boats in the race must be finished as they cross the line.
- 7.7 There is no provision to make boats do more laps than stated on the board.
- 7.8 There should be approximately a 15 minute gap between the last boat to finish and the start of the next race.



### 8 Protests

- 8.1 The full details of the protest must be received by the OOD within 45 minutes of finishing the last race of the day.
- 8.2 Protests against other competitors shall be decided by a protest committee named by the OOD and made up of at least 3 impartial club members (this may or may not include the OOD). The protest committee will hear from all parties & any witnesses they wish before reaching a decision.
- 8.3 Requests for redress shall be made in writing to the sailing secretary.
- 8.4 Protests shall be decided and managed in accordance with Part 5 of the Racing Rules.

### 9 Scoring

- 9.1 Competitors can only score points for a series by entering for that series
- 9.2 Signing on the race sheet is taken as entering the series
- 9.3 If a competitor/helm sails more than one boat or rig (Indicated by PY number) in a series they will get separate points/rankings for each boat/rig.
- 9.4 OODs will be awarded their average points for any race which they cover as OODs in a series in which they are competing. Average points shall be calculated only from races required to make up a series score.
- 9.5 Points are allocated to helms.
- 9.6 Crews may be changed during series
- 9.7 For boats competing in a particular series the Low Point System shall be used:  
1st = 1pt  
2nd = 2pts  
3rd = 3pts  
Each place thereafter add 1 point.
- 9.8 Boats will be considered to have started a race if they have entered as defined in Local Rule 3.1 and they are on the water at the time of their preparatory signal.
- 9.9 Boats which Did not Finish (DNF), Disqualified (DSQ) or Retired (either before or after finishing) will be scored as the last starter in the race plus 1. Did not Start (DNS) will score the number of boats entered into the series plus 1.
- 9.10 Ties for series placing will be broken by the method of most first places, if still a tie then the most 2nds, then 3rds etc..
- 9.11 In a series the number of races to count towards the final score will be calculated as ½ the number of races + 1 rounded up.
- 9.12 Except for special events race results will be worked out using the Portsmouth yardstick scheme.
- 9.13 Yardstick numbers used will be as advertised by the Committee.

### 10 Third Party Insurance

- 10.1 Competing boats must have 3rd party insurance in accordance with the Club Safety Policy