



# VPRS National Championship

to be held in the Central Solent

Sunday 26th May 2019

**Chichester Cruiser Racing Club**

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS Rev A

### 1 RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

### 2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be displayed on the event website (<http://ccrc.co.uk/vprsnats>) or may be broadcast on VHF channel M.

### 3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

### 4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

No signals will be made ashore.

### 5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

*Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May 3 races scheduled for both classes*

Class 1 - warning signal will be at 1030hrs for race 1; races 2 & 3 to follow asap after race 1

Class 2 - warning signal will be at 1035hrs for race 1; races 2 & 3 to follow asap after race 1

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 five minutes before a warning signal is made.

No warning signal will be made after 1530hrs

### 6 CLASSES and CLASS FLAGS

Class 1 - numeral pennant three for boats with a VPRS rating of 0.885 and above

Class 2 - numeral pennant four for boats with a VPRS rating of 0.884 and below

### 7 RACING AREAS

Will be the Central Solent

### 8 THE COURSES

The location of the start mark will be broadcast on VHF channel M at 60mins before the warning signal and the course to be sailed will be broadcast, on VHF channel M, for the first race of the day at 30mins before the warning signal and repeated 15mins later. The course for subsequent races will be broadcast as soon as possible after the finish of the previous race.

### 9 COURSE MARKS

Marks will be selected from the following as denoted by SCRA

3G - 3Z, 30 - 33, 4E - 4Z, 40 - 46, 5A - 5F

The finish mark will be announced with the course.

### 10 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

The following area is designated as an obstruction:

The moving prohibited zone defined by the current Southampton byelaws.

## **11 THE START**

- 11.1 Races will be started by using [in accordance with] RRS 26.
- 11.2 The starting line will be between an orange flag on the mast of the race committee vessel ( a white hulled Westerley Fulmar displaying a CCRC burgee - call sign VPRS Committee ) and the course side of an announced fixed mark .
- 11.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races. [DP]
- 11.4 A boat that does not start within 15 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start [DNS] without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

## **12 THE FINISH**

The finishing line will be between the mast of the Committee boat displaying an orange flag and the finishing mark as announced with the course.

## **13 PENALTY SYSTEM**

The Scoring Penalty, RRS 44.3, will apply. The penalty will be 2 places

## **14 TIME LIMIT**

- 14.1 Time limits for all races are 2 hours.
- 14.2 Boats failing to finish within 60 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored DNF without a hearing.  
This changes RRS 35.

## **15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

For each class the protest time limit is 2 hours after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is the later.

## **16 SCORING**

When three races are completed the worst score will be discarded and when fewer than three races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores

## **17 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible. [DP]

## **18 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

Substitution of crew or damaged and lost equipment will be permitted, provided that no relevant class rules are infringed.

## **19 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

Except in an emergency, a boat, that is racing shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. [DP]

## **20 PRIZES**

Prizes will be given to the first three boats in each class.

## **21 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

## **22 INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £ 3,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

### **Social events**

**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> May:** Dinner at the Island Sailing Club 1930 for 2000hrs.

**Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> May:** Prize-giving at Cowes Corinthian Yacht Club.

Prizes sponsored by Poole Sailing & CCRC

