

Thorpe Bay Yacht Club

**49er, 29er, B14 and Musto Skiff Open Meeting
25th & 26th September 2010.**

Sailing Instructions

1. Rules

1.1. The regatta will be governed by the 'Rules' as defined in Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of the RYA, the rules of the class, except if any of these are changed by these sailing instructions, and the supplementary sailing instructions.

2. Entries

- 2.1. Eligibility** - Eligible boats may be entered by completing registration with the organising authority as in the supplementary sailing instructions.
- 2.2. Disclaimer of Liability** - Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organising 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.
- 2.3. Insurance** - Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum of £2,000,000 per event.

3. Notices to Competitors - Notices will be posted on the official notice board located in the clubhouse lobby.

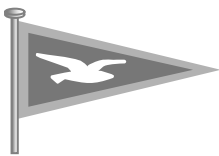
4. Changes to Sailing Instructions - Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted at least 1 hour before the start of a race they affect.

5. Safety - RRS40 is changed, flag Y will not be used. Adequate personal buoyancy must be worn by all competitors whilst afloat and the penalty for non-observance will be disqualification. Wetsuits or drysuits are not sufficient on their own.

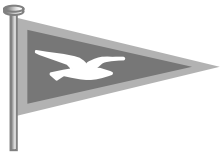
6. Signals Made Ashore

- 6.1.** Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagstaff in front of the clubhouse.
- 6.2.** When Flag AP is displayed ashore, 'one minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in race signal AP. This changes the Race Signals in the Rules.

7. Declaration - A declaration system will operate where competitors will be required to sign on and sign off on the form provided and situated near the top of the club slipway or in the Bosun's hut. All boats must sign off within one hour of the completion of the last race of the day. Boats must sign off separately for each race completed, or indicate "Did Not Start" (DNS) or "Did Not Finish" (DNF) as appropriate. Failure to sign on and off will result in disqualification.



- 15. The Finish** - The finishing line will be between the flagstaff displaying an orange flag on the Committee Boat and the finish line mark, normally of the yellow or orange inflatable cylindrical type.
- 16. Time Limit** - The target time is 45 minutes. The time limit is 15 minutes after the first boat in her class finishes after a valid start, except that if the first boat in her class fails to finish within 2 hours of a valid start, the race will be abandoned. After the 15-minute time limit has elapsed, observed positions may be awarded at the race officer's discretion.
- 17. Protests**
- 17.1.** Protests shall be written on forms available on request to the Race Committee and delivered to a member of the Race Committee within one hour of the last boat of her class finishing the last race of the day.
- 17.2.** A schedule of protest hearings will be displayed on the official notice board within 2 hours of the finish of the last race of the day. Further protest hearings may be added to the schedule. This is the notice under RRS 63.2
- 17.3** On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:
- (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day.
 - (b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes rule 66.
- 17.4** On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress from a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.
- 18. Scoring** - The low points scoring system will be used. Each boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores, with her worst score discarded if four or more races have been completed. If less than four races are completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores.
- 19. Support Boats** - Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay more than 100metres outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 20. Prizes** - Prizes will be awarded for each member of the crews for places as determined by the event organising team based on the entry to the event.
- 21. Trash Disposal** – Boats shall not put trash in the water. Trash may be placed aboard support and committee boats.
- 22. Radio Communications** - A boat shall neither make a radio transmission while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile phones.



23. Substitution - Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.