



TIMED FUN SAIL

Saturday, 4th July 2020



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Tidal Classes and All Dinghy Classes

High Water 11.00 HT 8.7m

The event will not commence before 09.30.

SIs only available at www.wksc.org.uk

Objects

1 The event is for FUN

2 To encourage as many boats to sail as possible and to do as much or as little sailing as they wish

3 Event management resources will be minimised and few, if any, safety boats will be available.

4 Competitors should carefully assess their capabilities before launching

5 Social distancing and Government guidelines are to be followed at all times.

6 Please keep the slipway clear and have consideration for others

7 To avoid congestion boats may need to wait to launch and come ashore

8 Hilbres and Stars may have to walk ashore after the tide has ebbed

1. Rules

The event will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, WKSC Sailing Regulations and these Sailing Instructions.

2. Eligibility to Sail

- i) Helms must be members of WKSC.
- ii) All tidal and dinghy classes are eligible to sail.
- iii) The number of crew on a boat may be different from that required by their Class Association. However, as always, sailing is at the competitors' risk and each person should carefully assess their capabilities and the capabilities of their crew in the conditions prevailing before launching, as stated in WKSC Sailing Regulation 1.
- iv) All boats must have a PY recognised by WKSC.
- v) A list of handicaps will be available on the WKSC website

3. Entries

Boats crossing the start line will be considered to start their timed sail. There is no requirement to formally enter. There will be no sign on/off form.

4. Race Area & Duration of the Event

Sailing will take place on the Dee Estuary.

Laps will be timed whilst code flag 'W' is flying. See SI 6 below.

5. Changes to Sailing Instructions

Any changes to the sailing instructions will be indicated by flying flag "L" before the warning signal of the race. The flag may be flown from the WKSC clubhouse or the Committee Boat, as appropriate. The changes may be posted in the club house or verbally on the water.

6. Starting and Finishing

- i) The Committee Boat will be flying the WKSC burgee.
- ii) At, or after, 09.30 the Starter will raise code flag 'W' accompanied by one sound signal.

- iii) There are no start times. Each boat may start its' timed sail at any time whilst code flag W is flying from the Committee Boat by passing through the start line in the direction of the first mark of the course. There will be no other starting signals changing RRS 26.
- iv) The Starter will take the time of each boat who comes through the start line and on all subsequent laps. A boat needs to do a minimum of one full lap to qualify for the event.
- v) All sailing will finish at approximately 11.30 when code flag 'W' will be lowered accompanied by one sound signal. A boat may finish sailing at any time prior to code flag 'W' being lowered.
- vi) The Starter may acknowledge boats starting and finishing if requested. It would be helpful (although not obligatory) if sailors would notify the Starter as they go through the line when they start and finish the event.

7. Course and Start/Finish line

- i) The course (which is intended to be simple) will be decided on Saturday morning and displayed at the seaward entrance to WKSC Clubhouse.
- ii) The marks will be WKSC Dee estuary buoys – blue with white lettering although an orange pillar buoy may also be laid if necessary.
- iii) There are no fixed number of laps. Boats may sail as many laps as they wish. A boat must sail a minimum of one full lap to qualify for the event.
- iv) The start and finish line will be between a buoy with a flag on it and the Committee Boat moored at the starboard end of the line.
- v) Boats must pass through the start/finish line at the end of each lap in the direction of the next mark.

8. Protests

As per the General WKSC Sailing Instructions for Club Racing.

9. Scoring

- i) Average lap times will be calculated using the number of completed lap times recorded for each boat whilst code flag 'W' is flying.
- ii) A bonus time allowance, at the discretion of the Official Handicapper, will be applied to boats who have sailed for the longest time.
- iii) The final corrected finishing times will be notified after sailing.

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