



West Kirby Sailing Club - Hilbre Island Race



FRIDAY 18th SEPTEMBER 2020

High Water 12.15 BST; 9.53 Metres

Sailing Instructions

1. Rules

Racing will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing, the WKSC Standard Sailing Instructions, the rules of the various Class Associations (except as any are changed by these sailing instructions), and these sailing instructions.

2. Eligibility to Race

2.1. Fast Handicap boats will have a PN <1000, Medium Handicap boats will have a PN 1000 – 1210 and Slow Handicap boats will have a PN >1210. Adjusted PNs will be used for some classes. A list of changes from the RYA 2020 PNs will be available on WKSC website (www.wksc.org.uk) and on the WKSC noticeboard.

2.2. 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.

3. Time Limit

The time limit will be 150 minutes from the start of races 4-7

4. Start Line and Course

4.1 The Flagship will be Little Arvor flying the WKSC burgee.

4.2 Starting will be in accordance with RRS Rule 26 (5,4,1,0)

4.3 The course to be sailed will be displayed on the side of the Flagship. The course card is included with these sailing instructions.

4.4 The outer distance mark will be a pink spherical mark with a flag.

5. Order of Starting and Class Flags

		High Water: 12.15 9.53M	
Race No	Classes	Code Flag	Start Time
1	Limbo 6.6	J	10.45
2	Hilbre Island One Design	I	10.45
3	West Kirby Star / Hoylake Opera	E	10.45
4	Liverpool Bay Falcon	R	11.15
5	Fast Handicap Catamarans and Dinghies PN <1000	D	11.15
6	Medium Handicap Dinghies PN 1000 - 1210	W	11.15
7	Slow Handicap Dinghies PN >1210	V	11.15

6. Safety

6.1 A personal flotation device shall be worn by all competitors at all times on the water unless exempted by Class rules. Code flag "Y" shall not be displayed, varying RRS rule 40.

6.2 A tally system will be in operation at WKSC and DSC for all boats racing on the Dee Estuary excluding Limbos, Falcons, Hilbres, Stars and Operas.

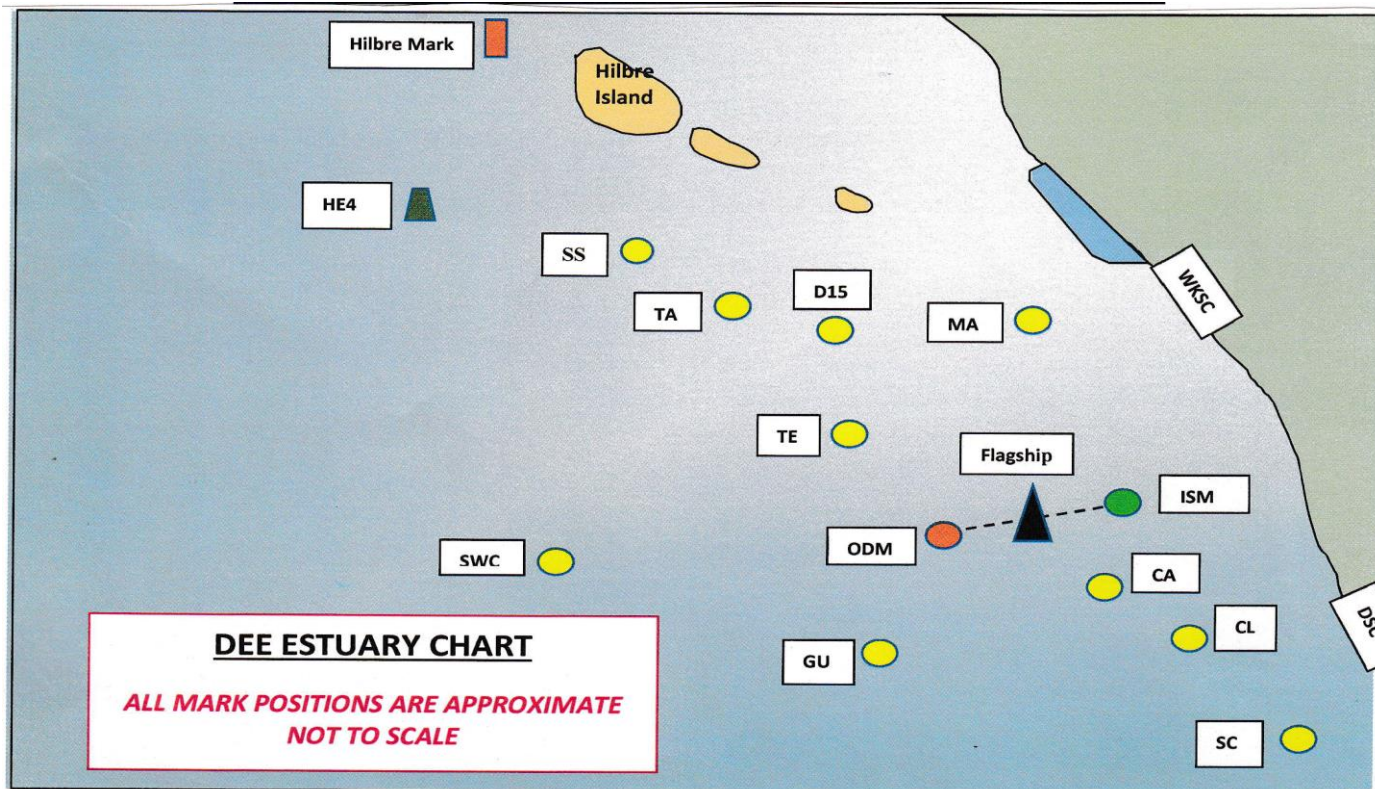
6.3 Due to Covid restrictions there will be no formal briefings. Please send any questions on the Sailing Instructions by email, to the Sailing Secretary. Email: jdatkinson9599@gmail.com.

7. Shortened Course.

7.1. The race may be finished at any buoy by flying code flag "S" from a nearby launch or RIB, which is flying a blue flag together with the respective class flag. The finishing line is then between the buoy and the RIB.

7.2. For courses 1 and 2 only, the length of the course may be shortened for any of the classes at any buoy on the outward leg by the flying of a green flag from a nearby launch or RIB together with the respective class flag. The class will turn at that buoy and the next mark of the course will be **ODM(P)**.

COURSE CARD - HILBRE ISLAND RACE - FRIDAY 18th SEPTEMBER 2020



The Flagship will be Little Arvor.

Read courses left to right. The last mark in each lap is highlighted in bold. Each lap is on a separate line.

Course	Start Line	
1	Flagship (S) & ODM (P)	TA (S) HE4 (S) HILBRE MARK (S) ODM (S) SC (S) ISM (S)
2	Flagship (S) & ODM (P)	TA (S) HILBRE MARK (S) ODM (S) SC (S) ISM (S)
3	Flagship (S) & ODM (P)	TA (S) HE4 (S) ODM (S) SC (S) ISM (S)
4	Flagship (S) & ODM (P)	TA (S) ODM (S) SC (S) ISM (S) TA (S) ODM (S) SC (S) ISM (S)
5	Flagship (P) & ODM (S)	SC (S) SWC (S) TE (S) ODM (S) GU (S) SWC (S) TE (S) ODM (S)
6	As displayed on the Flagship	

Finishing Line: Finish between the Flagship and the last mark of the course or, between the Flagship and the last mark of a lap if a shortened course has been signalled.

A temporary tall inflatable orange mark will be laid approx ¼ mile north of Hilbre Island called "HILBRE MARK".

Key to other marks (and colours):

ODM	Outer Distance Mark (orange)	ISM	Inner Start Mark (green)	D15	Dry 15 (blue)	SC	Sally's Cottage (blue)	GU	Gut (blue)
HE4	Dee HE4 (green)	TA	Tanskey (blue + flag on top)	TE	Tell (blue)	SWC	South West Corner (blue)		