

WEST KIRBY SAILING CLUB



LAST OF THE SUMMER TIDE

TIDAL HANDICAP RACING - SUNDAY 1ST NOVEMBER SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Race Officer	Races	Start Time for Race 1	High Tide (BST)	Tide Height (m)
Jean-Louis Simons	1&2	10.00	11.11	8.82

1. Rules

This is a Handicap Series of 2 races. Average lap times will be used. The event will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, WKSC Sailing Regulations, General Sailing Instructions for Club Racing (see WKSC Handbook) and these Sailing Instructions.

2. Boats Eligible to Race

- i) All tidal and dinghy classes are eligible to race.
- ii) PN's will be identified by class listed on the WKSC PN List 2020 (available on club notice board)
- 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.

3. Sign-On and Sign-Off Sheet.

In order to assist the race team please email **kayeggleton1@gmail.com** with your sail number, boat class and your name if you intend to compete, **by midday on 31**st **October**. By doing so you are accepting these sailing instructions. Entries made after this time will still be accepted.

4. Race Area & Duration of the Race

Racing will take place on the Dee Estuary. The duration of the races may be approximately 60 minutes. The race shall be finished at the discretion of the Race Officer.

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 Race Committee Boat, as appropriate. The changes may be posted in the club house or verbally on the water.

6. Starting & Finishing

- i) The Race Committee Boat will be a RIB.
- ii) The starting and finishing line will be as shown on the attached Race Course Card.
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- iv) All marks are orange pillar buoys. Mark 2 will have a flag on top.
- v) The starting and finishing mark will be a spherical pink buoy with a flag on top.

7. Starting and Class Flag

- i) There will be two races back to back. The first race will start at 10.00.
- ii) There will be a single handicap class start for each race.
- iii) The class flag will be code flag 'W'

8. Starting Signals

Races will be started using Rule 26 (5,4,1,0).

9. Protests

As per the General WKSC Sailing Instructions for Club Racing.

10. Scoring

Average lap times will be used. Having rounded the last mark after the shortened course has been signalled, boats will have their elapsed time taken as they cross the finishing line. After correcting the boats times according to their PNs the low point scoring system, rule A4, will apply. There will be no discards.

Jonathan Atkinson Hon. Sailing Secretary 19/10/2020

<u>COURSE CARD</u> Last of the Summer Tide <u>Tidal Handicap Racing - 1st November 2020</u>



Diagram indicative only, marks are not numbered.

All marks are orange pillar buoys. Mark 2 will have a flag on top. The Start Mark will be a spherical pink buoy with a flag on top.

The Start: Between the Race Committee Boat (a RIB) and the Starting Mark

The Course:

All laps will be:

Mark 1 (Port) Mark 2 (Port) Mark 3 (Port) Mark 4 (Port)

Through the line in the direction of $\underline{Mark\,1}$

If a Green Flag is flying from the Race Committee Boat the course will be "flipped" and all marks will be taken to starboard passing through the line in the direction of Mark 1.

Average lap times will be used. All classes will continue until shortened.

Shortened Course:

When the shorten course flag (Code flag S) is flown boats will finish by completing the lap they are on.