



EASTER HANDICAP RACES

Friday 2nd - Monday 5th April 2021



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Please remember that social distancing rules apply at all times

Schedule of Races

	Date	Race Officer	Start Time	Race Area	HT Time/Height
1	Fri 2 nd April	JD Atkinson	14.00	Dee Estuary	15.02/8.9m
2	Sat 3 rd April	M Whittingham-Jones	14.45	Dee Estuary	15.57/8.3m
3	Sun 4 th April	Commodore/Vice	11.00	Marine Lake	N/A
4	Mon 5 th April	Commodore	11.00	Marine Lake	N/A

1. Rules

- i) There will be one race each day.
- ii) All races will be scored individually ie. not a series – but see also SI 8 below.
- iii) Average lap times will be used.
- iv) The event will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024, WKSC Sailing Regulations, General Sailing Instructions for Club Racing (see WKSC Handbook) and these Sailing Instructions. Where there is a conflict WKSC Sailing Regulations, General Sailing Instructions for Club Racing and these Sailing Instructions take precedence.

2. Boats Eligible to Race

- i) All dinghy classes with a recognised PN are eligible to race. Falcons and Limbos are eligible to race on the Dee Estuary only.
- ii) PN's will be identified by class listed on the WKSC PN List 2021 (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 results@wksc.org.uk with your sail number, boat class and your name if you intend to compete, **by 22.00 on the day before racing**. By doing so you are accepting these sailing instructions. Entries made after this time will still be accepted.

4. 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.

5. Starting and Class Flag

There will be a single handicap class start and one race on each day. The class flag will be code flag 'W'

6. Sailing Instructions and Course details specific to Tidal or Lake races are shown in Appendix 1 and 2.

7. Protests

As per the General WKSC Sailing Instructions for Club Racing.

8. Scoring

- i) 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. The final corrected finishing times will be notified after racing.
- ii) Boats that complete a race will be scored using their average lap time. This will be calculated as a boat's actual elapsed time in the race divided by the number of laps it has sailed and multiplied by the highest number of laps completed by any competitor in the race to produce an average elapsed time. The corrected time for each boat will then be calculated by applying the appropriate PN to the average elapsed time.

- iii) All races will be scored individually but, in addition, a series winner will be calculated for all boats eligible to sail on the tide and the lake. Discards as per the WKSC Handbook.
- iv) The race on 3rd April will also count to the Handicap Series as shown in WKSC Handbook 2021.

Jonathan Atkinson
Rear Commodore (Sailing) V6 29/03/21

APPENDIX 1
Tidal Sailing Instructions and Course Card
Races on 2nd & 3rd April 2021

1 Race Area & Duration of the Race

Racing will take place on the Dee Estuary. The duration of the races may be approximately 90 minutes. The races shall be finished at the discretion of the Race Officer. All classes will continue until shortened.

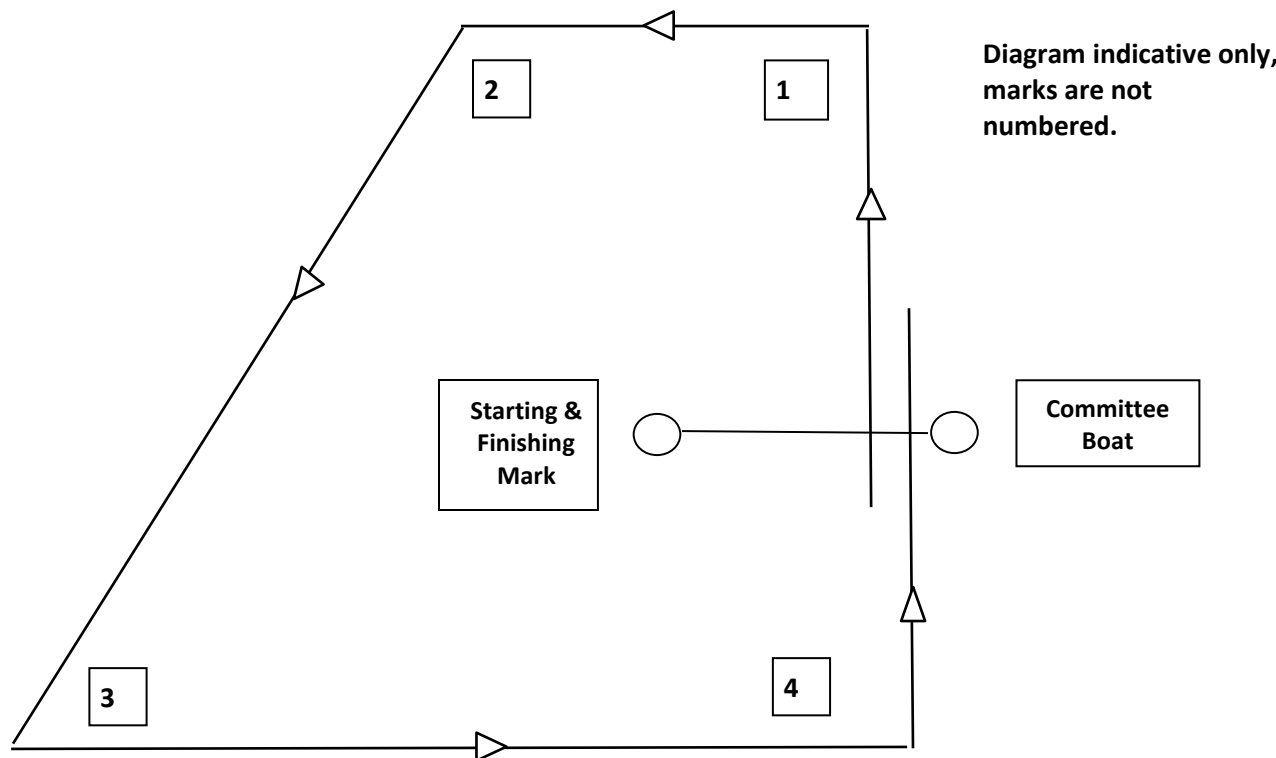
2 Starting & Finishing

- i) The Race Committee Boat will be flying the WKSC burgee.
- ii) The starting and finishing line will be as shown below.
- iii) The course will be as shown below.
- iv) All marks are orange pillar buoys.
- v) The starting and finishing mark will be a spherical pink buoy with a flag on top.

3 Starting Signals

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

4 The Course:



All laps will be:

Mark 1 (Port) - Mark 2 (Port) - Mark 3 (Port) - Mark 4 (Port) - Through the start line in the direction of Mark 1

APPENDIX 1 continued

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 start line in the direction of Mark 1.

Average lap times will be used.

Shortened Course:

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

APPENDIX 2

Lake Sailing Instructions

Races on 4th & 5th April 2021

1 Race Area

Racing will take place on the West Kirby Marine Lake.

2 Course

The course will be taken from the WKSC lake Course Card 2020 (V2) and the number of the course will be displayed at the Race Committee Station. There are no set number of laps and boats will continue to race until a shortened course is signalled.

3 Marks

Course marks and the sequence of rounding will be as shown the WKSC Lake Course Card 2020 (V2)

4 Start

- i) The starting sequence will be 3, 2, 1, go.
- ii) The starting line will be between the mast flying the Club burgee at the Race Committee Station and the appropriate mark as shown on the WKSC lake Course Card 2020 (V2)
- iii) A boat shall not start later than three minutes after her starting signal.

5 Finish

When the shorten course flag (Code flag S) is flown boats will finish by completing the lap they are on. Boats will have their elapsed time taken as they cross the finishing line between the mast flying the WKSC burgee and the appropriate mark as shown the WKSC Lake Course Card 2020 (V2).