



WKSC SAILING FESTIVAL



Saturday 21st August - Tuesday 24th August 2021

Race Officer: Adam Whittle

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

SCHEDULE OF RACES

Date	Sat 21 st Aug	Sun 22 nd Aug	Mon 23 rd Aug	Tues 24 th Aug
High Tide (BST)	11.01	11.47	12.27	13.03
Tide Height (m)	8.46	8.68	8.79	8.79
	Class Racing	Class Racing	Handicap Racing	Handicap Race
No. of Races	2 back to back	2 back to back	2 back to back	One Race
First Start	09.25	10.10	11.15	12.00

Saturday 21st and Sunday 22nd August:

Class Racing			Sat 21 st Aug	Sun 22 nd Aug
Race No	Classes	Code Flag	Start Time for 1 st Race	
1	Limbo 6.6	Num 6	09.25	10.10
2	Hilbre Island One Design	I	09.28	10.13
3	West Kirby Star / Hoylake Opera	E	09.31	10.16
4	Liverpool Bay Falcon	R	09.34	10.19
5	Handicap Catamarans / Dart 18s	F	09.37	10.22
6	International Canoes	J	09.57	10.42
7	Fast Handicap Dinghies (PN 1180 and lower)	W	10.00	10.45
8	Slow Handicap Dinghies (PN >1180)	V	10.03	10.48

Racing will be round the estuary marks for all classes. There will be two races sailed back to back each day.

Monday 23rd August:

Handicap Racing - All boats will start together (one start) from the Committee Boat, race round a laid course and use Average Lap Times. The first race will start at 11.15. There will be two races sailed back to back.

Tuesday 24th August:

There will be one Handicap Race. All boats will start together (one start) from the Committee Boat. Racing will be round the estuary marks and Average Lap Times will be used. The race will start at 12.00.

1. Rules

- i) The races will be sailed under the Racing Rules of Sailing, the Class Association Rules of boats participating, except as any are changed by these Sailing Instructions which take precedence in the event of any difference with the Notice of Race or other relevant documents changing Rule 63.7
- ii) Each day's racing will stand alone plus there will be overall prizes for the 4 days.

2. Boats Eligible to Race

- i) All tidal and dinghy classes are eligible to race.
- ii) All boats must have a recognised PN. PN's will be identified by class listed on the WKSC PN List 2021 (available on the club notice board). Boats not having a recognised PN will be given a trial number by the Official Handicapper.

3. Entering the Event and Sign-On and Sign-Off Sheet.

- i) If you are a member of WKSC please email regatta@wksc.org.uk with your sail number, boat class and your name and the days you intend to compete, **by 22.00 on Friday 20th August**. By doing so you are accepting these sailing instructions.
- ii) If you are not a member of WKSC you must complete an Entry form which can be found on the WKSC website.
- iii) Entries will also be taken in the WKSC Clubhouse before racing each day.
- iv) There is no entry fee.

4. Race Area & Duration of the Race

- i) All racing will take place on the Dee Estuary.
- ii) Sat/Sun/Mon: The duration of a race may be approximately 60 minutes. A race shall be finished at the discretion of the Race Officer.
- iii) Tuesday: The duration of the race may be approximately 120 minutes. The race shall be finished at the discretion of the Race Officer.

5. Notices to Competitors and Changes to Sailing Instructions

- i) 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.
- ii) There will be no physical briefings but Briefing Notes will be posted on the WKSC website. Questions on the Sailing Instructions can also be sent by email to: regatta@wksc.org.uk

6. Starting & Finishing

- i) The Race Committee Boat will be flying the WKSC burgee.
- ii) The starting and finishing lines, courses and marks will be as shown on the attached Course Cards.

7 Starting and Class Flags

The starting line will be as indicated by the appropriate course card.

i) Saturday and Sunday:

Start times and code flags will be as shown above in the Schedule of Races.

Races will be started using visual and sound signals as set out in RRS Rule 26 amended as follows:

At 3 minutes before the start, the Warning Signal will be given.

At 2 minutes before the start, the Preparatory Signal will be given.

At the one minute signal the preparatory flag (P) will be left flying until the last start in the sequence as designated on the Schedule of Races.

At each start a sound signal will be made and the class flag for the next start displayed.

ii) Monday:

There will be a single handicap start for each race.

Start of 1st race will be 11.15.

The class flag will be code flag 'W'. Average lap times will be used.

Races will be started using visual and sound signals as set out in RRS Rule 26 amended as follows:

At 3 minutes before the start, the Warning Signal will be given.

At 2 minutes before the start, the Preparatory Signal will be given.

At 1 minute before the start, the One-Minute Signal will be given.

iii) Tuesday:

There will be a single handicap start at 12.00.

The class flag will be code flag 'W'. Average lap times will be used.

Races will be started using visual and sound signals as set out in RRS Rule 26 amended as follows:

At 3 minutes before the start, the Warning Signal will be given.

At 2 minutes before the start, the Preparatory Signal will be given.

At 1 minute before the start, the One-Minute Signal will be given.

8 Protests

- i) Protests shall be written on the forms available on the official notice board and delivered to the race officer or assistant within the protest time, which is 30 minutes after the last boat comes ashore

- ii) Protest notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit, to inform competitors where and when there is to be a hearing to which they are parties or named as witnesses.
- iii) Post Race Penalty. Provided a boat has not broken Rule 44.1 (b), when her penalty shall be to retire, a boat that may have broken a RRS of part 2, or Rule 31 in any incident, may, after finishing the race and before the start of a protest hearing, notify the race committee and the protest committee that she accepts a scoring penalty of 30% calculated as stated in Rule 44.3 (c). The boat is not required to display a yellow flag, this amends RRS 44.3 b. This penalty does not reverse an OCS score, a disqualification under rule 30.3 or a penalty under Appendix P.
- iv) RYA Arbitration. When a protest or request for redress is lodged, a boat may, at the same time, request RYA Arbitration, RRS Appendix T.
- v) When there is not agreement to use the RYA Arbitration or the Post Race Penalty is not applicable to the facts, there will be a normal protest hearing, at which the arbitrator may be a member of the protest committee. A boat may accept a Post Race Penalty, or retire, at any time before the start of the protest hearing.
- vi) When redress is offered and accepted at RYA Arbitration, the race committee may seek to have this reviewed by asking for a full hearing. When redress is offered and not accepted, or not offered at all, the boat may have her request heard before a protest committee.

9 Scoring

- i) The low point scoring system, RRS rule A4, will apply. In the event of a tie RRS rule A7 and A8 shall apply as appropriate. **There will be no discards.**
- ii) Average lap times will be used for racing on Monday and Tuesday only. 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. 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. The final corrected finishing times will be notified after racing.
- iv) In handicap races any class with 6 or more boats will have separate prizes for that class. Note: they will not be included in the handicap prizes as well.

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 Rear Commodore (Sailing)
 10/08/2021 (V4)

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Course Cards – WKSC Sailing Festival 2021
Saturday & Sunday - 21st / 22nd August - Class Racing

See WEST KIRBY SAILING CLUB TIDAL COURSE CARD 2012

Note:

If Course 24 is selected from the above course card the course will be displayed as follows:

Red and green boards will be used. Red indicating that the mark should be taken to port and green that it should be taken to starboard.

The boards will be displayed horizontally on the side of the Committee Boat reading from left to right.

The first board will indicate the Start Mark only

The subsequent boards will indicate Lap 1 which should be repeated 4 times or until the race is shortened.

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Course Cards – WKSC Sailing Festival 2021 (continued)

Monday 23rd August - Handicap Racing

1 Courses: The course will be selected from Course 1, 2 or 3 below - as displayed on the side of the Committee Boat.

2 Start Mark will be a dan buoy with a flag on top.

3 Marks are orange pillar buoys.

4 Diagrams are indicative only, marks are not numbered.

5 Start: Between the mast of the Committee Boat flying the WKSC burgee (Starboard) and the Start Mark (Port).

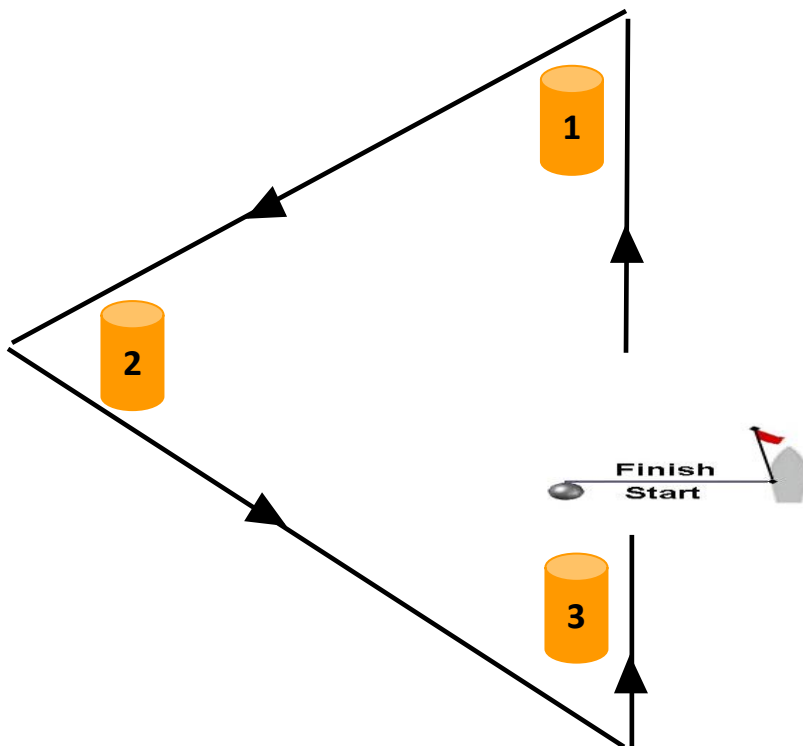
6 Any number of rounds may be sailed. Racing will continue until shortened.

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

8 Average Lap Times will be used.

COURSE 1:

Start – Mark 1 (Port) - Mark 2 (Port) - Mark 3 (Port) - Through the line in the direction of Mark 1.



Course Cards – WKSC Sailing Festival 2021 (continued)

Tuesday 24th August - Handicap Race

1. Course

- i) The course will be round estuary marks and will be published on the day - as displayed outside the WKSC Clubhouse.
- ii) Start between the mast of the Committee Boat flying the WKSC burgee (Starboard) and the Start Mark (Port).
- iii) The Start Mark will be a dan buoy with a flag on top. The estuary marks are described on the “WEST KIRBY SAILING CLUB TIDAL COURSE CARD 2012”

2. Any number of rounds may be sailed.

Racing will continue until shortened.

3. Shortened Course:

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

4. Average Lap Times will be used.

