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## West Kirby Sailing Club - Hilbre Island Race

**Friday 15th July 2022**

**High Water 12.56 BST; 9.02 Metres**

### Sailing Instructions

#### 1. Rules

Racing will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 (RRS), the rules of the various Class Associations and these sailing instructions which take precedence in the event of any difference with the Notice of Race or other relevant documents changing RRS 63.7.

#### 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 2022 PNs will be available on WKSC website ([www.wksc.org.uk](http://www.wksc.org.uk)) and on the WKSC noticeboard.

2.2 Eligible boats must have adequate 3<sup>rd</sup> party insurance cover for racing of a minimum of £3 million cover.

2.3 Boats must use correctly numbered sails unless prior permission is given by the Race Committee, varying RRS 77.

#### 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 T'Ark (orange and blue hull) 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 marks are described overleaf

4.5 Where ODM or ISM are marks of the course boats must pass between them and the Flagship.

#### 5. Order of Starting and Class Flags

		High Water: 12.56 9.02M	
Race No	Classes	Code Flag	Start Time
1	L Limbo 6.6	No 6	11.30
2	Hilbre Island One Design	I	11.30
3	West Kirby Star / Hoylake Opera	E	11.30
4	Liverpool Bay Falcon	R	12.00
5	Fast Handicap Catamarans and Dinghies PN <1000	F	12.00
6	Medium Handicap Dinghies PN 1000 - 1210	W	12.00
7	Slow Handicap Dinghies PN >1210	V	12.00

#### 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 for boats launching from WKSC slipway.

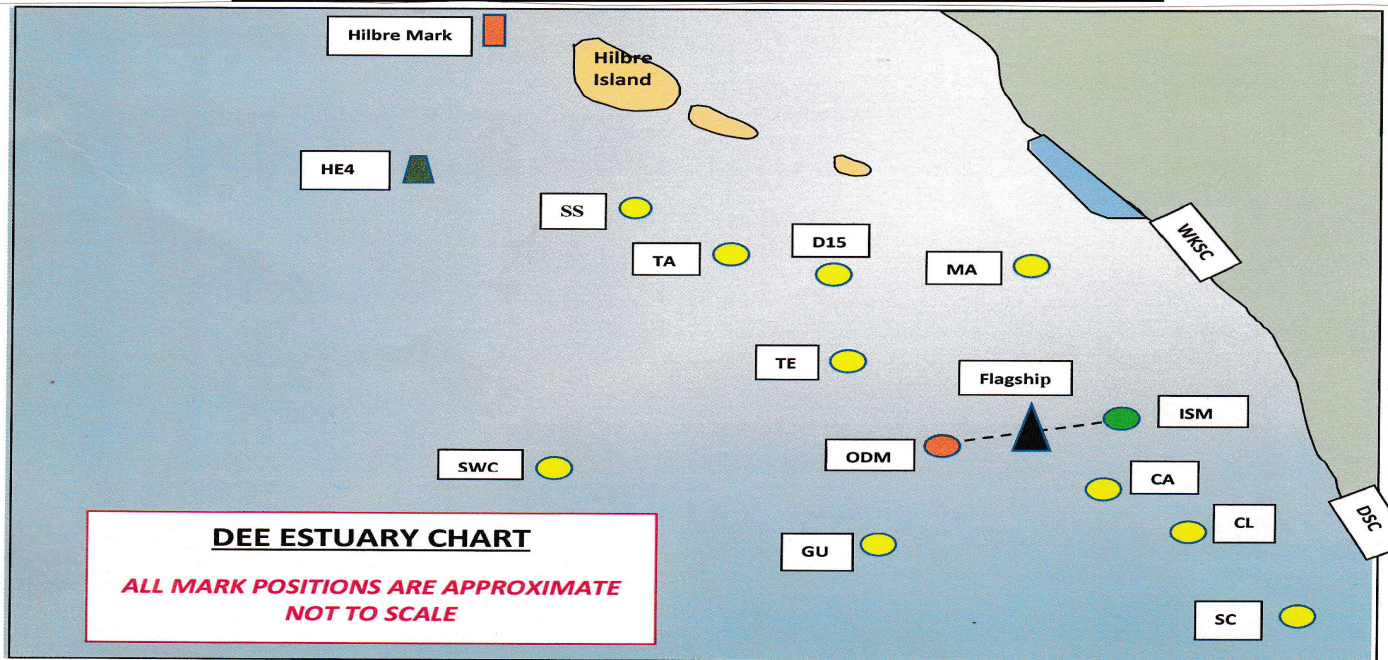
6.3 Briefing Notes will be posted on the WKSC website. Questions on the Sailing Instructions can also be sent by email to: [regatta@wksc.org.uk](mailto:regatta@wksc.org.uk)

#### 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 yellow 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(S)**.

### COURSE CARD - HILBRE ISLAND RACE - FRIDAY 15th JULY 2022



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

Read courses left to right. The last mark in each lap is highlighted in bold. Each lap is on a separate line. Where ODM or ISM are marks of the course boats must pass between them and the Flagship.

Course	Start Line	
1	Flagship (S) & ODM (P)	TA (S) HE4 (S) HILBRE MARK (S) <b>ODM (S)</b> SC (S) <b>ISM (S)</b>
2	Flagship (S) & ODM (P)	TA (S) HILBRE MARK (S) <b>ODM (S)</b> SC (S) <b>ISM (S)</b>
3	Flagship (S) & ODM (P)	TA (S) HE4 (S) <b>ODM (S)</b> SC (S) <b>ISM (S)</b>
4	Flagship (S) & ODM (P)	TA (S) <b>ODM (S)</b> SC (S) <b>ISM (S)</b> TA (S) <b>ODM (S)</b> SC (S) <b>ISM (S)</b>
5	Flagship (P) & ODM (S)	SC (S) SWC (S) TE (S) <b>ODM (S)</b> GU (S) SWC (S) TE (S) <b>ODM (S)</b>
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.

Key to other marks (and colours):									
<b>ODM</b>	Outer Distance Mark (orange)	<b>ISM</b>	Inner Start Mark (green)	<b>D15</b>	Dry 15 (blue)	<b>SC</b>	Sally's Cottage (blue)	<b>GU</b>	Gut (blue)
<b>HE4</b>	Dee HE4 (green)	<b>TA</b>	Tanskey (blue)	<b>TE</b>	Tell (blue)	<b>SWC</b>	South West Corner (blue)		