



Squib Summer Cup

1st, 2nd & 3rd August 2017

GLANDORE HARBOUR YACHT CLUB

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

The races will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017-2020, the Prescriptions of the Irish Sailing Association (ISA), the rules of each class concerned and these Sailing Instructions and any amendments thereto. In the event of a conflict, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail.

2. RACE COMMITTEE (RC) & PRINCIPLE RACE OFFICERS (PRO)

JOHN & ANN WILLIAMS (or an agreed alternative). One or other, or both, will officiate as required.

3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the GHYC website and/ or on the notice board at the Club House. Results will be posted as soon as possible after racing finishes.

4. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the high ground. When a signal is displayed over a fleet flag it applies to that fleet only.

5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than four minutes' in the race signal AP.

5.3 When flag Y is displayed ashore, rule 40 applies at all times while afloat. This changes the Part 4 preamble.

5.4 Any reference to "flag" is intended to also mean "flag board". Any reference to "over" is intended to also mean "alongside". The meanings of the visual and sound signals are not changed. See Rule 25.2 and 25.3.

6. FORMAT OF RACING

Racing will be on 1st, 2nd & 3rd August using the standard club courses. First Gun 3:00 pm no start signal after 5:00 pm

7. NAVIGATION MARKS/OBSTRUCTIONS

7.1 The following areas are designated as obstructions.

7.2 Approximately mid channel between Union Hall pencil type race mark and Coosaneigh Point there is a dredged channel with a rough longitudinal alignment with Kilfinnan Castle. Commercial traffic has right of way in this channel.

7.3 The attention of competitors is drawn to the existence of many underwater hazards, both marked and unmarked, within the Glandore Harbour Estuary. Should competitors choose to sail close to, or among these hazards, they do so at their own risk. GHYC accepts no responsibility for the consequences of any such deviation from the set courses.

8. THE START

8.1 Races will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.

8.2 The starting line will be the line between either;

A) a moveable shore based red staff with a yellow reflective top and a flagged outer limit mark. An inner distance mark, red buoy with pole, may be positioned on or near the shore side of the line. Boats shall start between the flagged limit mark and the inner distance mark.

OR

B) a staff with an orange flag on the Race Committee support boat and a flagged limit mark.

8.3 A boat that does not start within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

9. COURSES

9.1 The courses are the same as for the One Design League races using the same course cards.

9.2 Courses may be shortened in accordance with RRS 32. "Shortened Course" may be broadcast on Ch. 68, at the discretion of the PRO.

9.3 Courses may also be shortened by the Race Committee displaying Code Flag F in the vicinity of a mark while making repetitive sound signals. Boats should round/pass the mark on the required side and sail directly to the finishing line. Boats should cross the finish in the direction from the mark at which F is displayed. This adds to Rule 32.2.

10. THE FINISH

- 10.1** The finishing line will be the same as the line used to start.
- 10.2** Boats that have finished shall not recross the finishing line in any direction except for some unavoidable cause. Any so doing may be penalised. Only the PRO may lodge a protest.

11. TIME LIMITS

- 11.1** Time limit for each race is 75 mins
- 11.2** Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

12. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 12.1** Protest forms are available at the race office, online or the Club House. Protests and Requests for Redress or Reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 12.2** For each class, the Protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the Race Committee signals no more racing today.
- 12.3** Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the Protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the Protest room, located as agreed, beginning at the time posted.
- 12.4** On the last scheduled day of racing a Request for Redress from a Protest Committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

13. ARBITRATION

- 13.1** As an alternative to a full Protest Hearing, an Arbitration System may be used. When all parties to an incident agree, a Protest Arbitrator, appointed by the Sailing Committee may decide a Protest. Such arbitration shall replace the protest required under RRS 63. The system may only be used if, before the hearing, all parties agree to accept the arbitration as final. All the parties shall have the opportunity of stating their case. The Arbitrator shall have total discretion as to whether any witness will be called. At any time during the hearing he/she may terminate the arbitration and refer the incident to a full Protest Committee hearing; otherwise, at the conclusion of the arbitration hearing he/she will reach a decision.
- 13.2** Any party found to have infringed a Rule shall not be disqualified but shall instead incur a 20% place penalty. No penalty shall result in a score which would exceed that of a disqualification. Any decision shall be final; however, a Request for Reopening may be made under RRS 66.

14. SCORING

- 14.1 The Low Point System of Appendix A4 will be used.
- 14.2 A series is considered to be sailed if 3 or more races have been completed.
- 14.3 When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

When from 4 to 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. (i.e. 1 discard).
- 14.4 A DSQ (Disqualification) cannot be discarded.

15. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 15.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible. The boat shall complete a retirement declaration form on return ashore.
- 15.2 Only club members are permitted to drive club launches. It is mandatory that the driver is physically attached to the engine kill cord.
- 15.3 The decision to race without adequate safety boat coverage is at the sole discretion of each competitor. This may be overridden by the PRO.
- 15.4 It is strongly recommended that every boat carries a VHF radio.

16. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 16.1 It is strongly recommended that each boat carry on board a VHF radio. The PRO may broadcast on Channel 68 general information regarding racing to the fleet. Failure to broadcast this information, or to hear it, shall not be the basis for any claim for redress. This alters Rule 41.
- 16.2 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

17. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 17.1 The Summer Cup are open to the Squib Class whose owners are paid up members of GHYC.
- 17.2 All entrants/helms must be fully paid-up members of GHYC. It is not a requirement that crews be members of GHYC.
- 17.3 Entries are accepted at the sole discretion of the Organising Authority.

18. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

19. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with adequate, valid, third-party liability insurance.

20. RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the organizing authority and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use, and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recordings, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.

21. TRASH DISPOSAL

Trash shall be brought ashore and properly disposed.

22. PRIZES

Squib Summer Cup Perpetual trophy will be present in square around 5:00pm