

YORKSHIRE DALES SAILING CLUB

NORTHERN CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR THE D-ZERO AND CONTENDER CLASSES AND CATAPULT TT EVENT

6th and 7th October 2018

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing, these Sailing Instructions with any amendments and the appropriate Class Rules.
- 1.2 Prescriptions of the RYA and the rules of YDSC shall also apply.

2. CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

- 2.1 The safety of a craft and it's entire management including insurance shall be the sole and inescapable responsibility of the owner/competitor racing the craft. The establishment of these sailing instructions in no way limits or reduces the complete and unlimited responsibility of the owner/competitor.
- 2.2 Measurement Certificate. All craft shall have appropriate valid measurement certificate available for inspection by the OD or his representative if required. Only in exceptional circumstances may RRS 78.2 be applied.
- 2.3 Insurance. Each participating boat shall be insured with a valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 per event or the equivalent.
- 2.4 Competitors give absolute right and permission for video footage or photographs of themselves or their boat to be published in any media for press, editorial or advertising purposes.

3. SAFETY

- 3.1 Personal Buoyancy. Buoyancy aids or lifejackets, inflated if of that type, must be worn at all times afloat.
- 3.2 Rescue. Any helmsman or crew requiring help or assistance from the rescue coxswain must obey the instructions of the coxswain. The coxswain is authorised to compel crews to retire and board the rescue boat if he considers conditions warrant it.
- 3.3 Declarations. The declaration sheet must be signed by the helmsman within 30 minutes of the last craft finishing in each race or back to back series of races.

4. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 4.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the clubhouse.

5. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted 30 mins before advertised start time on the day it will take effect, except any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 19:00 hours on the day before it will take effect.

6. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 6.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flag mast adjacent to the club house.
- 6.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced by "not less than 30 minutes" in race signal AP.

7. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 7.1 Dates of racing, number of races, and time of the warning signal for the first race are:

<i>Date</i>	<i>Warning Signal</i>	<i>No. of races</i>	<i>Schedule</i>
6 th Oct	12:55 hrs	3 races	Race 1 & 2 back-to-back, Race 3

7th Oct 10.25 hrs 3 races Race 4 & 5 back-to-back, Race 6

When more than one race or sequence of races will be held on the same day, the warning signal for the first race and each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable.

On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 14:30 hrs.

8. CLASS FLAGS

The corresponding class flags will be used for the D-Zero, Contender and Catapult classes.

9. RACING AREA

The whole of the reservoir will be available for racing except for the out of bounds area from the end of the dam to the Bridge on the far shore.

10. THE COURSES

10.1 The Course selected for each race will be stated on the course board either on the club house front or the committee boat. The number of laps will also be indicated.

10.2 The position of the marks is displayed on the course board outside the club house, and in diagram attached.

10.3 BEWARE of shallows near headland between clubhouse and dam when water levels are low.

10.4 Zone around marks is 3 boat lengths.

11. STARTING

11.1 Races will be started using rule 26. Code flag P or black flag will be used for the preparatory signal.

11.2 The sequence of starts will be: Catapult, Contender, D-Zero fleets.

11.3 The starting line will be one specially laid buoy OR a mark of the course and the mast of the Committee boat.

11.4 Individual Recalls. Individual recalls will be in accordance with RRS 29.1 using Code Flag X. Attention will be drawn by one sound signal. Recall numbers will not be given. Craft which fail to return clear of the line will be disqualified without protest by the OD and the Race Sheet marked accordingly.

11.5 General Recalls. General Recalls will be in accordance with RRS 29.2 using "First Substitute". Attention will be drawn by two sound signals. As soon as possible after the original starting times, fresh warning, preparatory and starting signals will be made for the recalled fleet with NO requirement to go to the back of the queue in the sequence of multi-fleet starts.

12. THE FINISH

12.1 The finishing line will be one specially laid buoy OR a mark of the course and the mast of the Committee boat.

12.2 Time Limits. The time limit for every race shall be 75 minutes. Any boat which has not crossed the finishing line within 15 minutes of the leading yacht will be scored Did Not Finish.

12.3 Shortening course. The Shortening Course procedure will be in accordance with RRS 32. International Code Flag S will be hoisted and two sound signals made. The race will then finish at the end of the round still to be completed by the leading boat. Code Flag S hoisted at or near a rounding mark means "Finish between the nearby mark and the Committee Boat".

13. PENALTY SYSTEM

Catapult class only

13.1 One complete turn including one tack and one gybe should be made for all infringements (both touching marks and boat-on-boat).

14. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 14.1 Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 14.2 The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the last boat has finished the race or series of races if sailed back to back.
- 14.3 Interested parties will be notified of the time and place of Protest Hearings.

15. SCORING

- 15.1 The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply.
- 15.2 Two Races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.3 When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When 4 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

16. REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT

- 16.1 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

17. EQUIPMENT & MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 17.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

18. TRASH DISPOSAL

- 18.1 Boats shall not put trash into the water. Trash may be placed aboard support and race committee boats.