RLSC Sailing Instructions for Goodacre Cup & Buzz Inlands 2015

Sailing Instructions (2013 – 2016)

1 RULES

1.1 The racing will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2013-2016, prescriptions of the RYA, relevant Class Rules and the Programme except as changed by these Sailing Instructions or those for specific events.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice boards located outside of the Race Hut or on a club notice board.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted one hour before the race they will affect and will be signalled by displaying the flag “L” accompanied by one sound signal.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 These will be displayed on the Race Hut mast.

4.2 Postponement Signals The warning signal will be made at least 1 minute after the lowering of flag “AP”.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES as per NOR

6 CLASS SIGNALS AND FLAGS: The warning signal will be flag R for general competitors, Naval Numeral 2 will be used for the Buzz fleet.

7 RACING AREA This will be Roadford Lake.

8 THE COURSE

8.1 Shore Based Starts : The course configuration and the order of rounding marks will be indicated on a course board displayed at the Race Hut/Office 30 minutes before the warning signal to start.

8.2 Committee Boat Starts : The course configuration, order of rounding marks and side which each is to be left will be displayed on the Committee Boat before, or if displayed at the Race Hut/Office, 30 minutes before the warning signal and will be generally in accordance with RRS Appendix L Addendum A.

8.3 Number of Rounds The number of rounds to be sailed will be displayed on a course board at the Race Hut/Office or on the Committee Boat.

8.4 Gates If a gate is specified in the course, it must be passed through each lap.

9 MARKS 9.1 The marks used will be displayed at the race hut & at briefings

11 THE START

Races will be started using RRS 26. The Buzz fleet will be start 1 and the Goodacre Cup will be start 2. The Warning flag for the Goodacre Cup starts will be flown at the Buzz start.

11.1 Shore Based The starting line will be between the mast at the Race Hut and the Nominated ODM.

11.2.2 Committee Boat : The starting line will be between a mast bearing the Club Flag and an outer starting mark which may be a mark of the course.

11.3 Keeping Clear Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area

11.4 Starting Time Limit A boat starting later than four minutes after her starting signal will be scored “Did Not Start”. This alters RRS Appendix 4.1

11.5 Ranking as a Starter The minimum number of boats in a race shall be three.

11.6 Individual Recalls Flag Signals As defined in RRS 29.1

11.7 General Recalls Flag Signals As defined in RRS 29.2 . If any start is subject to general recall, it will be restarted before any subsequent starts

12 CHANGE OF POSITION OF NEXT MARK The next mark may be repositioned by the Race Committee in accordance with RRS 33

13 THE FINISH 13.1 Shore Based The finishing line will be between the Race Hut mast and the Nominated ODM.

13.2 Committee Boat/Offshore The finishing line will be between the mast displaying Club Flag on a Race Committee boat and a nearby mark.

13.3 Shorten Course , as per RRS26

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

14.1 Accepting Penalties

A boat that has taken a penalty or retired under RRS 31.2 or 44.1 shall inform the race officer

15 TIME LIMITS 15.1 Leading Boat The time limit for the leading boat finishing in each race will be 80 min.

15.2 Other Boats The finishing time limit for subsequent boats in each race will be 100 minutes.. Boats failing to meet the time limit will be scored “Did Not Finish”. This alters RRS 35 and Appendices A4.1 and A4.2

15.3 Average Lap Times The race Committee may apply “average lap times” and to finish boats that are significantly behind the fleet, in order to avoid delays with back to back races This alters RRS Appendix A3

16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS As per RRS . Protest forms will be available from the race officer

17 SCORING: Scoring will be in accordance with the Low Points system specified in RRS Appendix A. Discards : If more than three races are sailed, there will be one discard. DNF will score +3 from number of finishers.

18. Personal Buoyancy : Adequate personal buoyancy for all crewmembers shall be worn at all times. Neither wet suits nor dry suits constitute adequate personal buoyancy. This alters RRS 40

28 PRIZES : Prizes will be awarded as defined in the Notice of Race.

29 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY : R.L.S.C.& the Watersports Centre will accept no liability for loss, material damage, injury or death sustained prior to, during, or after racing. The safety of a boat and her entire management shall be the sole responsibility of the owner/person in charge who must ensure that the boat and crew are adequate to face the conditions that may arise in the course of the race.