

MENGEHAM RYTHE SAILING CLUB – 2017 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS FOR DINGHIES

1 RULES

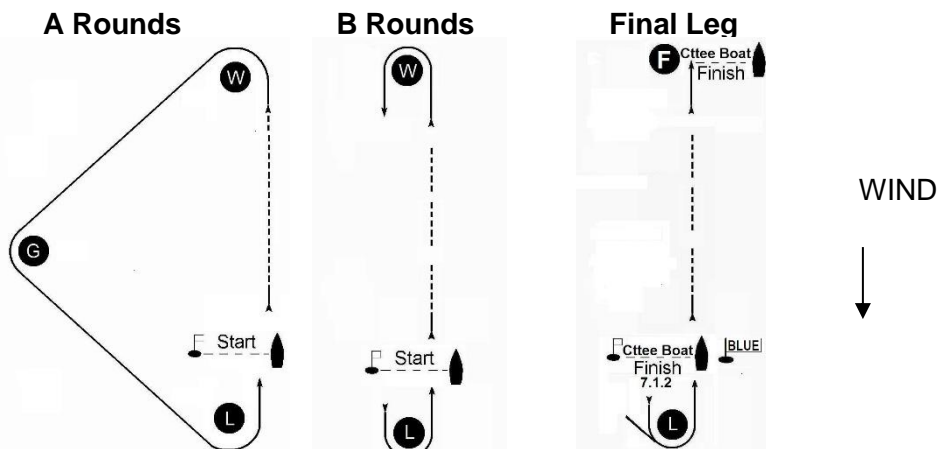
- 1.1 The 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) shall apply.
- 1.2 Provisions as to Communication with competitors, Classes, Class Flags, Race times and re-sailing postponed or abandoned races, Handicaps, Scoring system and starters, and Safety requirements for signing on and off are as in the Notice of Race in the Club programme.

2 COURSES

2.1 **Standard courses** shall be a series of rounds to be sailed in the order as displayed under 2.3.b followed by a **final leg**.

2.2 **Rounds** shall be configured as

(W = Windward mark; G = Gybe mark; L = Leeward mark; F = Finish mark.)



Leave marks to port or starboard according to the course direction, in the order:
W – G – L
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 for **Club line Finish: W,**
 thence to Club line
 for **Ctee boat line: F = W or 7.1.2**

- 2.2.1 For **Club start** pass **Black Can, & Smithy** on their channel side before rounding a named mark **L** to start round 1;
- 2.2.2 For **Club finish** pass **Black Can, & Smithy** on their channel side after completing the final leg.
- 2.3 **Courses shall be displayed** for each class on a board showing
 - a. for marks W,G,L and F the names of harbour marks or colours of laid inflatable marks
 - b. the rounds and their order.
- 2.4 **The course direction** is the side to which all marks shall be left, and shall be signalled by a rectangular red or triangular green flag indicating Port or Starboard respectively, unless shown for each mark on the course board.
- 2.5 A **Special** course shall be displayed at the Club or on the Committee boat, and signalled by Flag Z.
- 2.6 **A change before the start** in the course already displayed shall be signalled by hoisting Flag L over C until the warning signal.

3 STARTING AND FINISHING LINES

- 3.1 **Club line** shall be between a mast flying an orange flag on the southern shore or pontoon and a pole with an orange triangular top mark to the north.
- 3.2 **Committee boat line** shall be between the mast of the boat flying an orange flag and the start or finish mark under 6 or 7 respectively.
- 3.3 **Starts and finishes** shall be as programme: club(C), committee boat – harbour (H) or bay (B).

4 CHANGE OF COURSE AFTER THE START (ADDING TO RRS 33)

- 4.1 When a change in course is signalled in accordance with RRS 33, if the next mark of the course is a harbour mark it shall be replaced by a laid mark.
- 4.2 When a boat displays Flags C over B with repetitive sounds at the windward mark of an A round it shall indicate that the A round being sailed and any subsequent A round shall be become a B round (omitting mark G).

5 MARKS

5.1 **Laid marks** shall be orange marked MRSC or "Jobsite", or blue, black or yellow.

6 START MARK FOR A COMMITTEE BOAT START LINE

6.1 **The start mark** shall be a dan buoy flying an orange flag.

7 FINISH MARK FOR A COMMITTEE BOAT FINISH LINE

7.1 **The finish mark** shall be

- 7.1.1 the finish mark designated by the course under 2.3a; or
- 7.1.2 when a blue flag is flown on the committee boat at the start,
 - if laid, a dan buoy flying an BLUE flag in the vicinity of the start line;
 - otherwise, the dan buoy flying an ORANGE flag on the start line.
- 7.1.3 for Pursuit races, a dan buoy flying an orange flag to give a finish line at 90° to a line between the marks of the leg being sailed by the lead boat at the finish time.

7.2 Shortened courses (changing RRS 32)

- 7.2.1 Boats shall round the mark at which the course is shortened in the course direction and sail to the finish line; except
- 7.2.2 when a blue flag is also flown boats shall finish at the mark.

7.3 **Time limits** shall be: 185% in mixed handicap, and 150% in other races, of the leading boat's time (changing RRS 35 & A4).

8. PROTESTS

8.1 **Protests** shall be lodged within 30 minutes of the last finish of the day, and will be heard as soon as is reasonably possible.