



“Summer Shorts”

Royal Burnham Yacht Club

5 JULY 2025

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the SI means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1 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 20:00 on the day before it will take effect.

2 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 2.1 The schedule is as set out in the Notice of Race (NoR)
- 2.2 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made for the first race.
- 2.3 Between races the AP signal may be shown, it will be withdrawn with one sound signal one minute before the warning signal for the next race.

3 CLASS FLAG

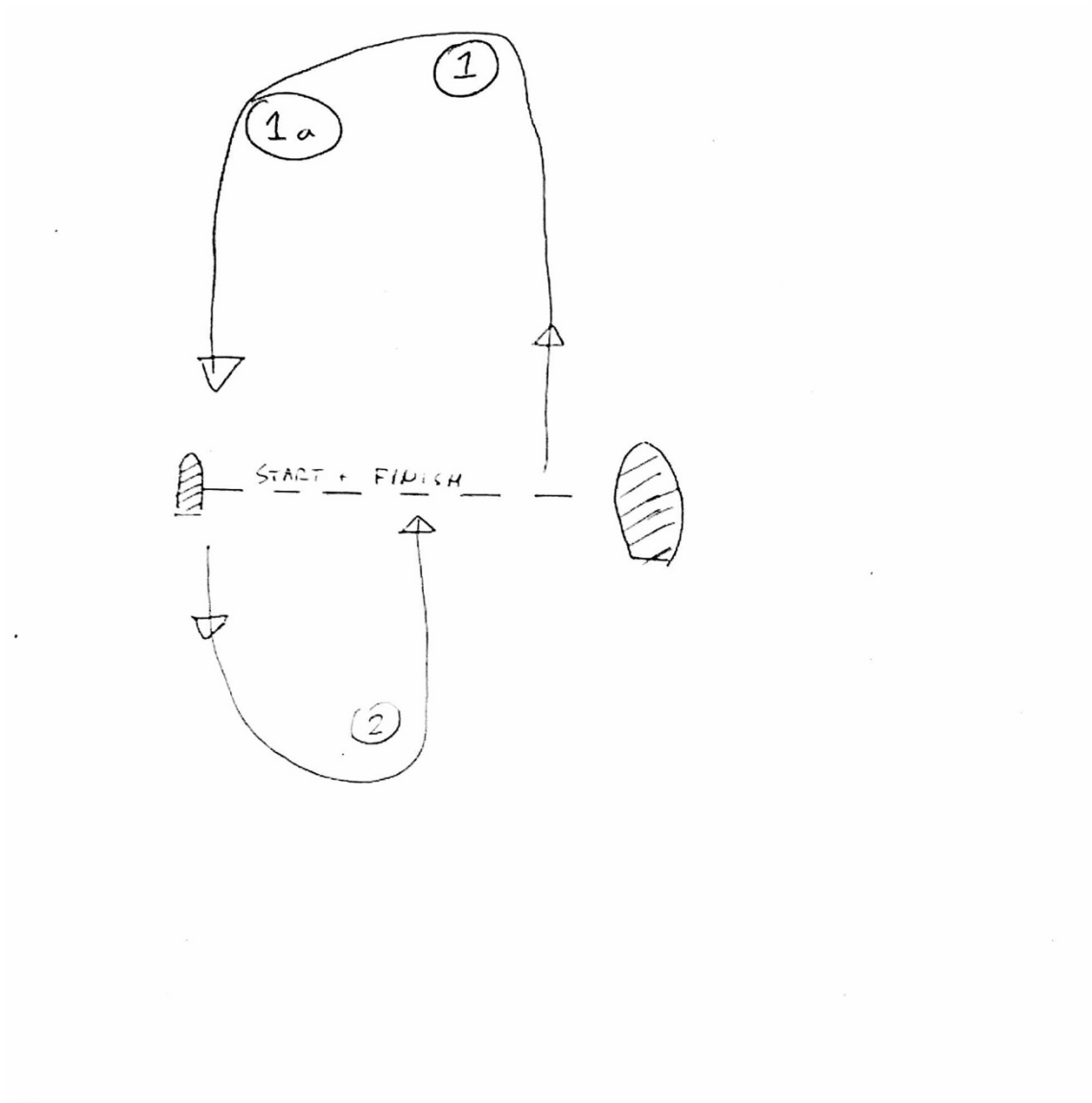
The RS Elite flag is H

4 RACING AREA

The racing area will be in the River Crouch, details will be announced at the briefing.

5 COURSES

5.1 The course to be sailed will be as follows:



The course for each lap after starting

- 1 to Port
- 1a to Port
- 2 to Port

Boats must pass through the start/finish line on each windward leg (but need not on each downwind leg).

- 5.2 The Committee will display a minimum race (Target Time) on a board at the stern of the Committee Boat.

There are no fixed number of laps. The race will finish on a windward leg when the leading boat passes through the start/finish gate for the first time after the race has been in progress for the minimum race time. There will be no additional signals. If however the conditions require the race may be shortened earlier using RRS 32.

6 MARKS

Mark(s) are Orange inflatable buoys.

7 THE START

- 7.1 Races will be started using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.
- 7.2 The starting line is between a mast or staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel and an Orange buoy.
- 7.3 If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee may hail her sail number. Failure to hail her number, failure of her to hear such a hail, or the order in which boats are hailed will not be grounds for a request for redress.
- 7.4 A boat that does not start within 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

8 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it may be replaced by an original mark.

9 THE FINISH

The finishing line is between a mast or staff displaying a flag on the signal vessel and an Orange buoy.

10 PENALTY SYSTEM

The Scoring Penalty, RRS 44.1, applies

11 TIME LIMITS

- 11.1 The Mark 1 Time Limit, Race Time Limit (see RRS 35), and the Finishing Window are shown in the table below.

Mark 1 Time Limit	Finishing Window
20	15

- 11.2 If no boat has passed the first mark within the Mark 1 Time Limit, the race will be abandoned.
- 11.3 The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalised or given redress, will be scored DNF without a hearing.
- 11.4 Failure to meet the Target Time (see 5.2 above) will not be grounds for redress.

12 HEARING REQUESTS

- 12.1 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat finishes the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 12.2 Hearing request forms are available from the race office at RBYC
- 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 RBYC library beginning at the time posted.

13 SCORING

- 13.1 The scoring system is as follows: A4 low points system.
- 13.2 2 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 13.3 When 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her one worst score.
- 13.4 Rule A5.3 applies.

14 SAFETY REGULATIONS

[DP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

15 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 15.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, notice of race and sailing instructions.
- 15.2 [DP] When instructed by a race official on the water, a boat shall proceed to a designated area for inspection.

--- End of Sailing Instructions --