

Noble Marine RS100, RS300 & RS600 National Championships 2021

**9th to 12th September 2021
Hosted by Brixham Yacht Club**

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

This event will be organised by Brixham Yacht Club in conjunction with the RS Class Association.

The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the sailing instructions (SIs) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a)

1 RULES

1.1 See NOR 1

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 09.00 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.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

See NOR 3.1

4 CODE OF CONDUCT

[DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

5.1 Signals made ashore will be flown from the flag staff in the dinghy compound adjacent to Oxen Cove slipway

5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in Race Signals AP. This changes race signals AP.

5.3 [NP] [DP] Boats are not permitted to launch until Flag D over their class flag is displayed with one sound signal. The warning signal will not be displayed sooner than 45 minutes after flag D is displayed.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1 See NOR 9 for schedule.

- 6.2 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound signal at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 6.3 A fourth race may be run on any day at the discretion of the Race Committee. To indicate this intention the finish boat will display flag Numeral 4 at the end of the third race that day.

7 CLASS FLAGS

RS100 – Red flag with RS100 logo
RS300 – Turquoise flag with RS300 logo
RS600 – Pink flag with RS600 logo

8 RACING AREA

See NOR 12

9 COURSES

- 9.1 Courses to be sailed for the RS100 will be Windward Leeward and for the RS300 and RS600 fleets will be Trapezoid. Two separate race track areas will be set up to accommodate the differing courses. The diagrams in Appendix 2a and 2b show the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be passed.
- 9.2 The number of laps to be sailed will be displayed on a board on the the Committee Vessel

10 MARKS

- 10.1.1 The marks for the RS 100 fleet will be: windward mark will be a large Orange dumpy, the spreader mark (1a) will be a small orange dumpy and leeward gate marks red spherical laid buoys; and the marks for the 300 & RS 600 fleet will be yellow laid buoys
- 10.1.2 The start marks for a line start will be:
- 10.1.2a The committee boat (CB) at the starboard end displaying an orange flag.
- 10.1.2b A dan buoy or a boat at the port end displaying an orange flag
- 10.1.3 The finishing marks will be:
- 10.1.3a The CB displaying a blue flag
- 10.1.3b A dan buoy displaying a blue flag
- 10.1.4 The change windward mark as provided in SI 13 will be for the RS 100 fleet be a yellow laid buoy and the change spreader mark (1a) will be a yellow cylinder. The change mark for the RS 300 & RS 600 fleets be an orange laid buoy.
- 10.2 Hitting a mark other than the start or finish marks will not be penalised. This changes RRS 31.
- 10.3 When a gate mark is used, if one or other of the gate marks is missing, the remaining mark shall be rounded to port. This changes RRS 34.

11 OBSTRUCTIONS

[DP] The entirety of mussel beds bearing 280° at a range of 0.7nm from the outer end of Brixham breakwater and approximately 0.25nm from the shore, including the beds marker buoy and including the entire sea area between the mussel beds and the shore are an obstruction.

12 THE START

- 12.1 The starting line will be between the start marks as defined in SI 10.1.2
- 12.2 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.
- 12.3 The sail numbers of boats penalized under rules 30.3 and 30.4 may be displayed on a board on a patrol boat stationed at the windward mark on the first leg.

- 12.4 For races started under rule 30.4, in the event of a general recall the sail numbers of the identified BFD boats will be displayed on the stern of the CB for a minimum of 3 minutes after a long sound signal.
- 12.5 Boats whose sail number has been displayed as per SI 12.3 or 12.4 shall not continue racing. Boats that continue racing despite being aware of their penalty will be scored DNE. This changes RRS 63.1, A4 and A5

13 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 13.1 To change the next leg of the course, the Race Committee (RC) will lay a new mark or marks or move the finishing line and remove the original mark or marks as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by original mark or marks. Subsequent marks may be moved without signal to maintain the geometric axis of the course. This changes RRS 33.
- 13.2 For the RS 100 fleet, when a change of course is signalled indicating a change of course to mark 1, a new spreader mark (1a) will be also laid, boats shall round both the new mark 1 and mark 1a before heading towards marks 2p/2s.
- 13.3 Minor course changes of up to 150m may not be signalled. This changes RRS 33.

14 THE FINISH

- 14.1 The Finishing Line will be between the finish marks defined in SI 10.1.3
- 14.2 The course may be shortened by the RC at the Finishing Line. In this event the CB shall display flag S with two sound signals prior to the lead boat approaching marks 2p/2s; in addition, a RC boat may be positioned adjacent to marks 2p/2s if relevant to the RS 100 fleet or Mark 4 if relevant to the RS 300 and / or RS600 fleet displaying K flag. All boats shall then complete the lap they are sailing and after passing mark 2p (RS100) or 4 (RS300 / 600) left to port proceed to the Finishing Line where they will be deemed to have finished. This applies to ALL boats regardless of whether they are on the same lap as the leading boat. This changes and is additional to RRS 32.2. Boats not on the same lap as the leading boat will be scored in the order, they cross the finish line behind all boats on the same lap as the first boat to finish. This changes RRS 28, 32.2, 35, Appendix A and is an addition to Race Signals.

15 PENALTY SYSTEM

See NOR 14.

16 TIME LIMITS

- 16.1 The time limit for all fleets is 75 minutes.
- 16.2 Boats failing to finish within a 20 minute finishing window after the first boat in her class sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A5.1 and A5.2
- 16.3 In addition to RRS 32, the race committee may also award a finishing score to a boat that is still racing by displaying to her from a committee vessel (which may be in motion) flag W with one sound signal. A boat so notified is no longer required to sail the course, shall stop racing and shall return to the starting area, or return ashore if there is no more racing. A finishing score under this sailing instruction will be the score she would have received had she sailed the course and finished within any time limit, without gaining or losing any place. However, when two or more boats that are overlapped are notified, they will be scored as if they were tied. This changes rule 28.1. The decision by the race committee to use this

procedure or not to use it shall not be grounds for requesting redress. This changes rules 60.1(b) and 62.1(a).

17 HEARING REQUESTS

- 17.1 Except where stated below, the procedures for protests and requests for redress will be as described in the supporting document BYC Championship Protest Procedures 2021 – with Arbitration.
- 17.2 Notices of Protests and redress hearings will be posted on the WhatsApp group <https://chat.whatsapp.com/ERE5uJmJ6Nz0zQ4GsEsMFI>
- 17.3 The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the last boat has come ashore from sailing the last race of the day.
- 17.4 A request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered as above either
- (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day.
 - (b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.
This changes RRS 66.
- 17.5 A request for redress based on a PC decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.
- 17.6 Face masks may be required to be worn by all parties at full protest hearings held in one room.

18 SCORING

See NOR 15.

19 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 19.1 [DP] [NP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 19.2 [DP] [NP] Rule 40.1 shall apply at all times while afloat.
- 19.3 [DP] [NP] Mandatory Tally / Register System. The Tally / register System will be described at the competitors briefing. See Supporting Document Mandatory Returning Ashore System Document.

20 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 20.1 [DP] [NP] Substitution of competitors is not allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.
- 20.2 [DP] [NP] Substitution of damaged or lost equipment is not allowed unless authorised by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made at the first reasonable opportunity.

21 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

[NP] A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, notice of race and sailing instructions.

22 SUPPLIED BOATS

Does not apply.

23 OFFICIAL VESSELS

See Supplementary Sailing Instructions.

24 [DP] [NP] SUPPORT TEAMS

See NOR 16.

25 TRASH DISPOSAL

Trash may be placed aboard official or support person vessels.

26 BERTHING

[DP] [NP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the dinghy park.

27 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Does not apply.

28 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Does not apply.

29 PRIZES

See NOR 24.

24 RISK STATEMENT

See NOR 22.

25 INSURANCE

See NOR 24