

2017 Youth Open Race Week

Monday 14 to Friday 18 August

Hayling Island Sailing Club

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

for RS Tera Sport (Gold and Silver), Optimist (Gold & Silver),
RS Tera Pro, Topper, 29er, RS Feva, Handicap

1 RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

2 COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Competitors' briefings will take place at 12:00 on Monday 14 August and one hour before the scheduled start time on other days.
- 2.2 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board, located in the race office, near the clubhouse entrance.
- 2.3 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flag masts on the club race control box.
- 2.4 Flag D with a sound means: 'The warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after flag D is displayed'. Boats shall not launch until this signal is made.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted at least 60 minutes before flag D is displayed (instruction 2.4) 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.

4 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 4.1 The daily schedule and time of the warning signal for the first race each day is as follows:

Date:	Time of first warning signal:	Time of HW Chichester Hbr Entrance:	Event:
Mon 14 Aug	13:55	17:00	2 Races
Tue 15 Aug	13:55	18:00	2 Races
Wed 16 Aug	13:55	19:05	2 Races
Thur 17 Aug	09:55	07:42	2 Races
Fri 18 Aug	09:55	09:00	2 Races

- 4.2 The warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as possible.
- 4.3 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 15:00.
- 4.4 Races not sailed may be rescheduled at the discretion of the Race Committee.

5 CLASS FLAGS

Class:	Flag:
Optimist (Gold & Silver)	Flag O
RS Tera Sport (Gold)	Flag R
RS Tera Sport (Silver)	Flag J
RS Tera Pro	Pennant 5
Topper	Flag T
RS Feva	Flag F
Handicap	Pennant 6
29er	Pennant 1

6 RACING AREAS

6.1 Racing will take place in Chichester Harbour and on two race areas A & B the location of which will be displayed on the official notice board each day.

6.2 Classes are assigned to areas as follows:

Area	Class
A	Optimist (Silver & Gold), RS Tera Pro, RS Tera Sport (Gold); Tera Sport (Silver),
B	RS Feva, 29er & Handicap & Topper

6.3 **Danger Area:** The entrance to Chichester Harbour is low lying and indistinct and is flanked on either side by West Pole and East Pole Sands that extend for more than a mile offshore. The West Pole and East Pole Sands merge to form Chichester Bar a little over half a mile offshore. Ebb tides in the entrance to the harbour can run at up to six knots on springs and, with a falling tide and strong winds from a southerly sector, a dangerous sea may be encountered. At certain states of the tide, it is difficult for patrol boats to operate in the area of West Pole Sands. Boats are therefore advised to follow the marked navigation channel.

7 THE COURSE

7.1 The diagram in Attachment A shows the courses, the course designations, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

7.2 Course LG & Course ST consist of a number of laps, which need not be the same for all boats. The number of laps will be determined when flag S is displayed (instruction 10.2). Boats shall complete the lap that they are on when flag S is displayed.

7.3 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the course designation and the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

8 MARKS

8.1 Marks 1, 2, 3 & 4 will be as follows:

Area A	Yellow with black band inflated cylinders. Mark 1a will be plain yellow
Area B	Black inflated cylinders.

8.2 Starting marks will be a race committee signal boat at the starboard end, and a boat or buoy with an orange flag at the port end.

8.3 Finishing marks (gate marks at end of a lap) will be a race committee boat at the port end, and a buoy with a blue flag at the starboard end.

9 THE START

9.1 The starting line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on the starting marks.

9.2 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.

9.3 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.

10 THE FINISH

10.1 The finishing line will be between staffs displaying blue flags on the finishing marks.

10.2 When the committee vessel at the finishing line displays flag S with two sounds, all boats will finish the race when they next pass through the finishing line, irrespective of how many laps they have completed.

11 TIME LIMITS & TARGET TIMES

- 11.1 The target time for each race is 40 minutes.
- 11.2 Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored according to their observed position on the course, which may be the position at the end of the previous lap. This changes rules 35, A4, and A5.

12 PROTESTS & REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 12.1 The exoneration penalty and the advisory hearing and RYA arbitration of the RYA rules dispute procedures will be available. The exoneration penalty will be 20%. See the official notice board for details.
- 12.2 Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 12.3 For each class, the protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.
- 12.4 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.
- 12.5 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 12.6 Breaches of instructions 2.4, 9.2, 14 and 15 will not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a).
- 12.7 For infringements of rules other than those in RRS Part 2, the protest committee may award a penalty of less than disqualification.
- 12.8 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:
 - (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 rule 66.
- 12.9 On the last scheduled day of racing, a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

13 SCORING

- 13.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 13.2 Average lap times will apply to handicap fleets.
- 13.3
 - (a) When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - (b) When from four to seven races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
 - (c) When eight or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.
- 13.4 To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a boat may complete a scoring enquiry form available at the race office.

14 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 14.1 Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices at all times while afloat, except briefly while adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Flag Y will not be displayed. This changes rule 40.
- 14.2 **Check-out and check-in.** The requirements of this instruction are specified for the safety of competitors.
 - (a) The tally control point to check-out and check-in competitors will be advised in the briefing and posted on the official notice board.

- (b) Tallies comprise numbered rubber wristbands. Numbers will be allocated at registration, and posted on the official notice board. Tallies shall be worn visibly, over clothing, on the right wrist at all times while afloat.
- (c) Competitors shall check-out before racing by collecting their tallies.
- (d) Competitors shall check-in immediately on returning to shore after racing, by returning the tallies to tally control.

14.3 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

14.4 The race committee will protest a boat for a breach of these safety regulations. Alternatively, it may apply a penalty of 3 points without a hearing for the breach. This changes rules 63.1 and A5.

15 REPLACEMENT OF CREW

Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.

16 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

17 RISK STATEMENT

17.1 Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

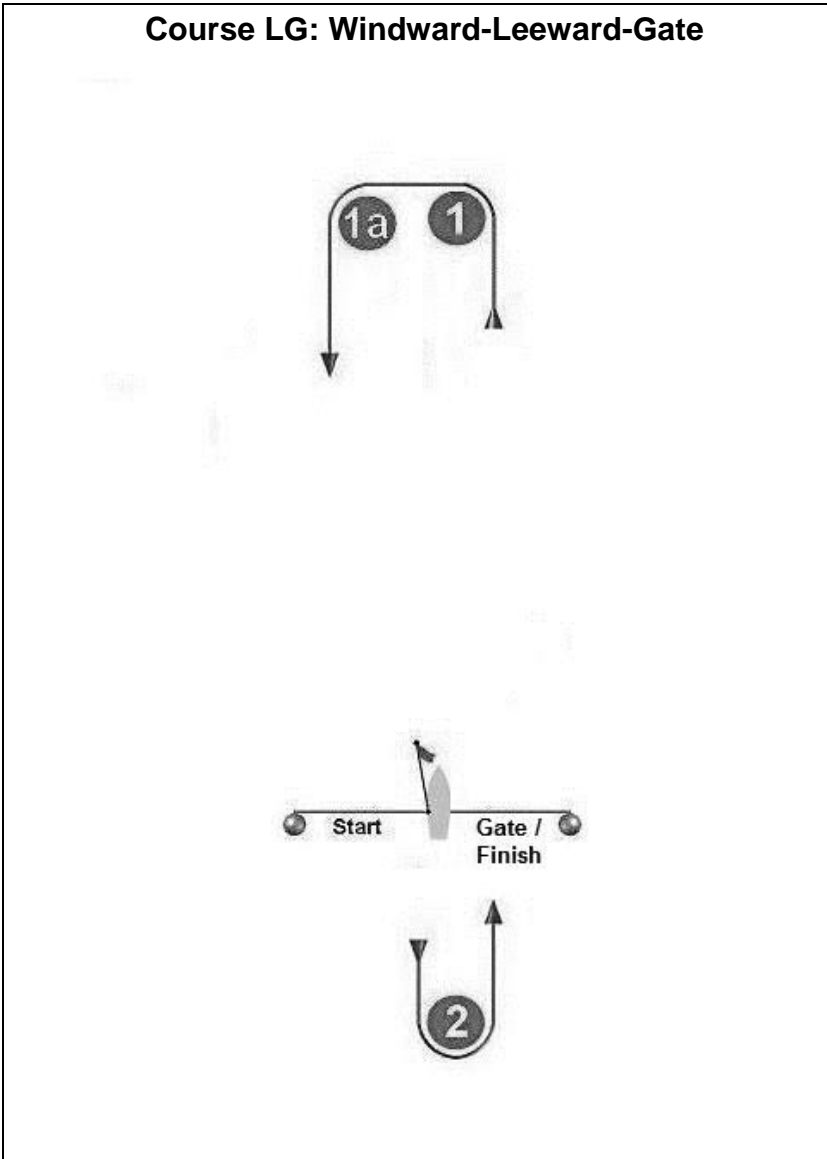
17.2 Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- (a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- (b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- (c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omission;
- (d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- (e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- (f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.

18 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2million per event or the equivalent.

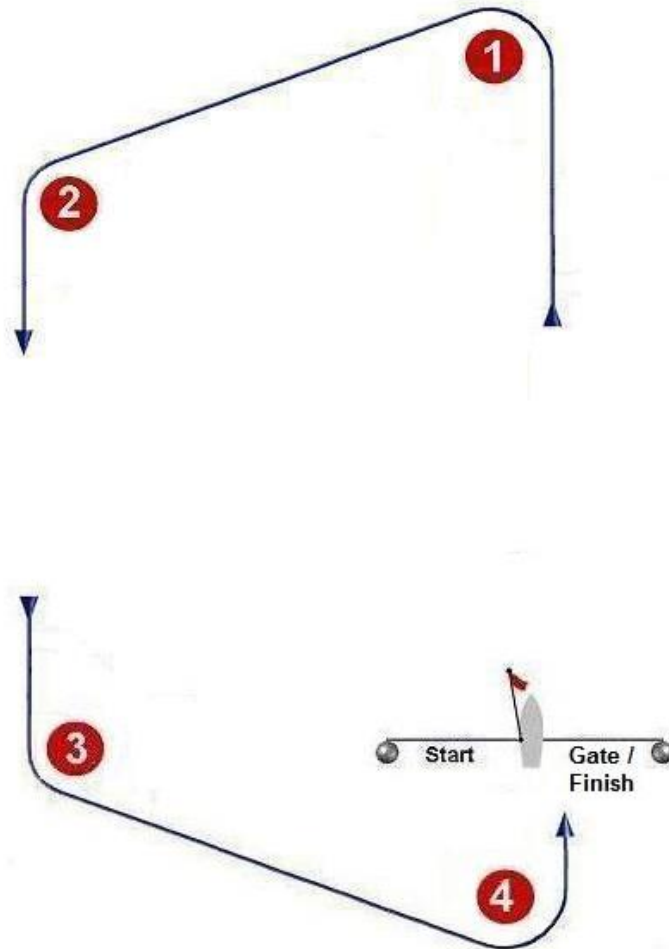
Attachment A
COURSE DIAGRAMS



Signal: Mark rounding order:

LG **Start – 1 – 1a – 2 – Gate** [Repeat till flag S is displayed]

Course ST: Simple Trapezoid

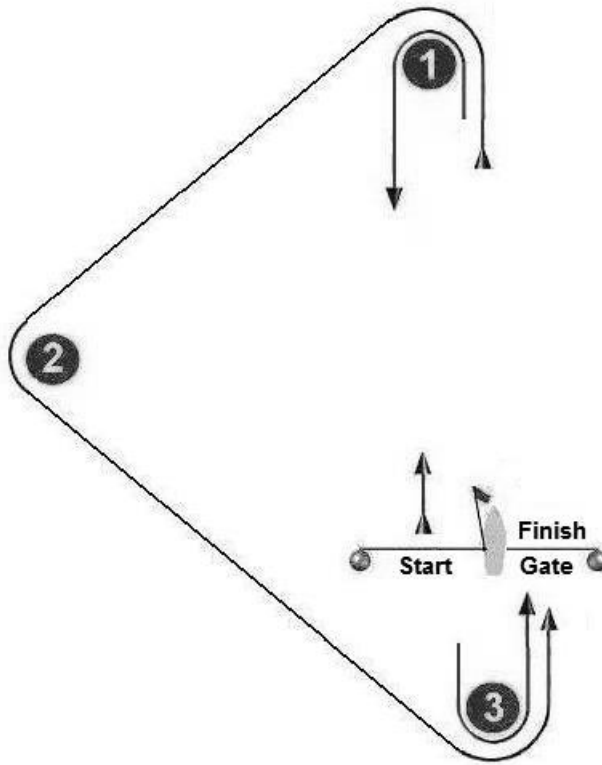


Signal: Mark rounding order:

ST1 Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 4 – Gate [Repeat till flag S is displayed]

ST2 Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 2 – 3 – 4 – Gate [Repeat till flag S is displayed]

Course T: Triangle



**Course
signal:**

Mark rounding order:

T 1 Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – Finish

T 2 Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – Gate – 1 – 3 – Finish

T 3 Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – Gate – 1 – 3 – Gate – 1 – 2 – 3 – Finish