



# Loch Lomond Sailing Club

## Dinghy weekend 4/5 Sept 2021

### SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

#### 1 RULES

1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

1.2 Section 3 "Rules of Navigation" of the Loch Lomond Byelaws 2013 apply when meeting boats that are not racing. This changes the Part 2 preamble. Please pay particular attention to rule 3.4(15) of the Byelaws, which states: "No boat shall approach within 100 metres astern of a fishing boat engaged in trolling and displaying a 'trolling shape'." The 'trolling shape' is an orange ball perched on top of a short post or stick on the fishing boat.

1.3 Competitors boats should not be attached to the pontoon except in emergency or briefly when launching or recovering or disembarking crew.

#### 2. RISK STATEMENT

2.1 Rule 3 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." Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in an 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 omissions;

(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 organiser 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.

#### 3. INSURANCE

3.1 Each participating boat must be insured with valid third party insurance with a minimum cover of £3 million.

#### 4 SAFETY REGULATIONS

4.1 Safety boats will be stationed around the course.

4.2 In the interests of the safety of competitors and patrol boat crews, competitors shall comply with the instructions of the patrol boat crews. Failure to do so may result in disqualification from the Series. Abandoned boats will be recovered later.

4.3 The crew of a boat that retires from the race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible (via CB/RIB or Race Office ashore).

#### 5 OFFICIAL VESSELS

5.1 The Committee Boat for the main fleets will be a large white workboat MORY . The committee boat for the Waszp fleet is tbc.

#### 6 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

6.1 Changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted at least one hour before the time they are due to take effect.

7 **COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS**

- 7.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the Canoe Shed.
- 7.2 The race office is located at the front of the clubhouse.

8 **SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 8.1 Signals ashore will be made on the flagpole in front of the Clubhouse.
- 8.2 When displayed ashore Flag AP displayed ashore with two sound signals (one when lowered) means "The race is postponed. The warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after AP is lowered."

9 **SCHEDULE OF RACES**

- 9.1 There will be a briefing for all competitors at 1200 on Saturday.
- 9.2 The start times are scheduled as follows:

Saturday	1pm	Main fleets
	1pm	Waszp
Sunday	10.30am	Main fleets
	10.30am	Waszp

As outlined in the NOR Classes ( dependant on entries), starting order and Class flags will be displayed on a white board in the canoe shed at 11.45am on Sat 4<sup>th</sup> Sept.

- 9.3 No Warning Signal will be made after 1430 on Sunday.

10 **CLASS FLAGS**

Tbc as above	

11 **COURSES**

The courses are at Appendix 1. Outer Marks ABC are yellow cylindrical marks. Inner marks DEF are smaller orange dumpies. Courses will be allocated to classes and will either be W/L or Triangle / Sausage.

Will be chosen from

- 1. AC and repeat until shortened to finish at approx. 45 mins ( lead boat)
- 2. ABC, AC “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “
- 3. DF “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “
- 4. DEF ,DF “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “

To complete a round every boat must sail through the gate/ finish line on every upwind leg from C to A OR F TO D. Average lap times may apply if appropriate to that class.

Boats must not sail through the start or gate/finish lines when sailing downwind.

The main fleets will sail off the clubhouse with Mory moored at Mark M setting the start and finish lines here. The Waszp fleet will sail in an area to the west of this approx. between Bucinch and Inchlonaig.

## 12 MARKS

12.1 The course marks for the Main fleets will be yellow cylindrical inflatable buoys and Orange Dumpies.

12.2 The starting and finishing marks will be dan buoys.

## 13 THE START

13.1 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound approx. 1 minute before a warning signal is made.

13.2 Races will be started using rule 26 with the warning signal made 3 minutes before the start, preparatory 2 minutes before the start.

13.3 The starting line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on the committee boat and the starting mark.

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

## 14 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

14.1 A change of course after the start will be signalled before the leading boat has begun the leg to the moved mark, although the new mark may not then be in position. A Green flag will indicate a change of the next mark to starboard and a Red flag will indicate a change to port. The new bearing will not be displayed. This changes Rule 33.

14.2 Any mark to be rounded after rounding the new mark may be relocated to maintain the original course configuration.

## 15 THE FINISH

15.1 The finishing line will be between the staff displaying flag S on the committee Boat and the finishing mark. The finishing line is to starboard of the committee boat.

## 16 TIME LIMITS [AND TARGET TIMES]

16.1 The duration of all Appendix 1 races is planned to be around 45 minutes for the leading boat: after this time has elapsed the Shorten Course signal (Flag S) will be flown and boats will finish the next time they pass through the finish/ gate. The time limit will be 1hr 15 for the first boat. Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat finishes will be scored "Did Not Finish". This changes rules 32, 35 and A4.

## 17 PROTESTS and REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

17.1 Protests and Requests for Redress must be lodged within 30 minutes of coming ashore. This changes rule 61.2.

17.2 Protest forms are available from the race office.

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.

## 18 SCORING

18.1 The Low Point scoring system, Appendix A, rule A2 will apply to all fleets: one race constitutes a series

There will be one discard if 4 or more races are sailed.

## 19 PRIZES

19.1 Prizes will be awarded in the Clubhouse as soon as possible after the last race.

## Appendix 1 – COURSES MAIN FLEETS

Marks A, B and C are Yellow. DEF are Orange

There is no set number of rounds: the race is planned to be around 45minutes for lead boat (see SI )

All marks to be left to Port. Boats must not sail through the start or gate/ finish lines when sailing downwind and pass through the gate/ finish upwind leg after rounding leeward mark each time.

Courses are on SI 11. Are either W/L or triangle / sausage on big or small course.



