

Loch Lomond Sailing Club Open Keelboat Weekend 5 – 6<sup>th</sup> October 2024 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 including cover for racing.

#### 4 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 4.1 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.
- 4.2 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).
- 4.3 Committee Boat MORY will escort Keelboats.
- 5 OFFICIAL VESSELS
- 5.1 The Committee Boat for Keelboats will be 'MORY', a large white workboat. First race each day will be started from 'CEARDACH', a smaller white workboat.
- 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 Clubhouse hallway.
- 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 on the lawn in front of the clubhouse (Inside if wet).
- 9.2 The start times are scheduled as follows:

Saturday	1300	KB Race 1
	ASAP after Race 1	KB Race 2
Sunday	1030	KB Race 3
	1033	K1 Race 4
	1036	Hawk Race 4
	ASAP after KB Race	KB Race 4
	3/K1 and Hawk Race 4	
	3 Min After KB Race 3	K1 Race 5
	3 Min after K1 Race 4	Hawk Race 5

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

### 10 CLASS FLAGS

Keelboats	Numeral Pennant 1
Flying Fifteen	NN6
K1's	Numeral Pennant 3
Hawks	Numeral Pennant 2

### 11 COURSES

- 11.1 The courses (KB Saturday and Sunday, Hawks Sunday only) are Appendix 1 including the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 11.2 **Course Indication:** The course chosen for Keelboats (Saturday and Sunday) and Hawks (Sunday only) will be indicated on the Committee Boat at the warning signal.
- 12 MARKS
- 12.1 The course marks will be islands and fixed club racing marks (orange/white cylindrical buoys).
- 12.2 The starting mark for KB races 1 & 3 will be a dan buoy.
- 12.3 The starting mark for KB races 2 & 4 will be a dan buoy or a mark on the course.
- 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 starting 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 THE FINISH

- 14.1 The finishing line will be between the Club flagstaff and Club Mark A, except that Races 1 and 3 (for Keelboats) will be finished at intermediate points by MORY flying Flag S: the finishing line will be between the mast on MORY flying flag S and the nearby mark of the course.
- 15 TIME LIMITS
- 15.1 The time limit will be 2.5 hrs for Keelboats. Boats failing to finish within 45 minutes after the first boat finishes or within the time limit, whichever is later, will be scored "Did Not Finish". This changes Rules 32, 35 and A5.2.
- 16 PROTESTS and REQUESTS FOR REDRESS
- 16.1 Protests and Requests for Redress must be lodged within 60 minutes of the last boat finishing the day's racing.
- 16.2 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.
- 17 SCORING
- 17.1 The Low Point scoring system, Appendix A, rule A2 will apply to all fleets: one race constitutes a series.
- 17.2 There will be one discard if 4 races are sailed.
- 18 PRIZES
- 18.1 Prizes except for Club Trophies will be awarded in the Clubhouse as soon as possible after the last race.

# **Appendix 1– COURSES for Keelboat Handicap**

Marks underlined are to be left to PORT. Marks not underlined are to be left to STARBOARD.

No.	Wind	COURSE	Dist. (NM)
1	Ν	<u>N</u> C <u>Lonaig</u> <u>Ross</u> <u>E</u> B Creinch <u>B</u> C <u>L</u> <u>D</u> <u>J</u> <u>F</u> <u>A</u>	13.1
2	NE	A Fad Creinch I B <u>Creinch</u> <u>Fad</u> <u>F</u> J <u>P</u> <u>Fad</u> <u>A</u>	12.7
3	Е	<u>P</u> Lonaig Ross Lonaig <u>L</u> N E Lonaig <u>D</u> L <u>K</u> <u>B</u> <u>F</u> <u>A</u>	12.8
4	SE	<u>F A Lonaig Ross</u> <u>E</u> B Creinch I <u>Creinch</u> B <u>F</u> <u>A</u>	13.6
5	S	<u>S</u> F Torrinch <u>I</u> <u>Murrin</u> B <u>Creinch</u> <u>Fad</u> <u>A</u>	13.3
6	SW	I Creinch Murrin I F Fad B D N R A	13.4
7	W	E Ross Lonaig <u>L</u> A F <u>S</u> Fad <u>I</u> <u>Creinch</u> B <u>F</u> <u>A</u>	13.3
8	NW	Lonaig Ross E B Creinch I B D K E L A	13.7
9		As designated on board on Committee Boat	

