

Helensburgh Sailing Club

June Regatta

15th/16th June 2014

1. Rules

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

2. Notices to Competitors

- 2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in HSC clubhouse.

3. Changes in Sailing Instructions

- 3.1. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 11:30 Saturday or 09:30 Sunday

4. Briefing

There will be a competitors briefing at 1100 on Saturday in the HSC Clubroom

5. Signals Made Ashore

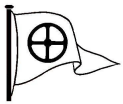
- 5.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagstaff at the clubhouse.
5.2. When racing has been postponed ashore, Flag AP lowered with one sound signal means the warning signal afloat will be made not less than 45 minutes after AP is lowered.
5.3. International Code Flag 'U' flown from the clubhouse flagstaff indicates that Naval movements are expected. Such movements may include transits of Trident submarines which require significant manoeuvring space. Instructions of rescue boats or MOD Police craft must be obeyed, under penalty of disqualification subject to hearing.
5.4. Boats shall not go afloat until flag D is displayed.

6. Schedule of Races

- 6.1. Six races are planned spread over both days
6.2. The first start will be
 - Saturday 13.00
 - Sunday 11.00
6.3. When a further start is planned for the day, flag E will be flown from the committee vessel at the end of the previous race
6.4. Flag E will be lowered with a sound signal, 5 minutes before the Warning Signal for the next race
6.5. No warning signal will be made after 15:00 on the last day of racing.

7. Racing Area

- 7.1. Main Fleets
The racing area will be off Helensburgh Pier on the Clyde estuary up to 2 miles from the Clubhouse. Competitors should allow themselves adequate time to get to the race area.



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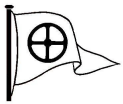
- 7.2. Development (Regatta) Fleet
The racing area will be off Helensburgh Sailing Club

8. Classes

- 8.1. Race tracks, Starting order & Class flags are shown on the table: -

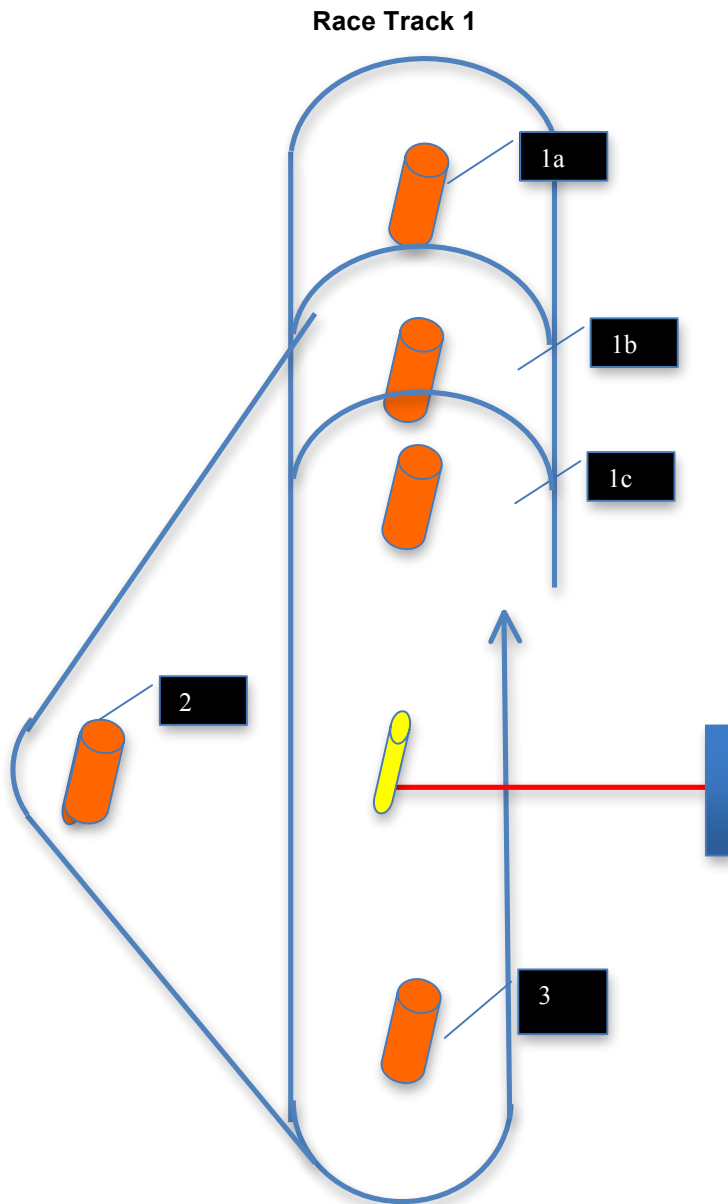
Class	Starting order	Class flag	One design or PY range	Course pattern
RACE TRACK 1				
29er, 420, Handicap	1	NP1	General Handicap	1
Mirror	2	NP2	One design	2
Topper	3	NP3	One design	3
Optimist	4	NP4	One design	4
RACE TRACK 2 - Development (Regatta) Fleet				
Topper	1	NP1	One design	5
Optimist	2	NP2	One design	5

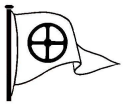
- 8.2. Prior to the first race, the Race Committee may combine or split Classes and/or Starts.



9. Courses

- 9.1. The diagrams show the position of the racing marks. All marks must be left to port.
- 9.2. All boats must pass through the start / finish line ("S") at the end of every round and having started must not pass through the start / finish at any other time.

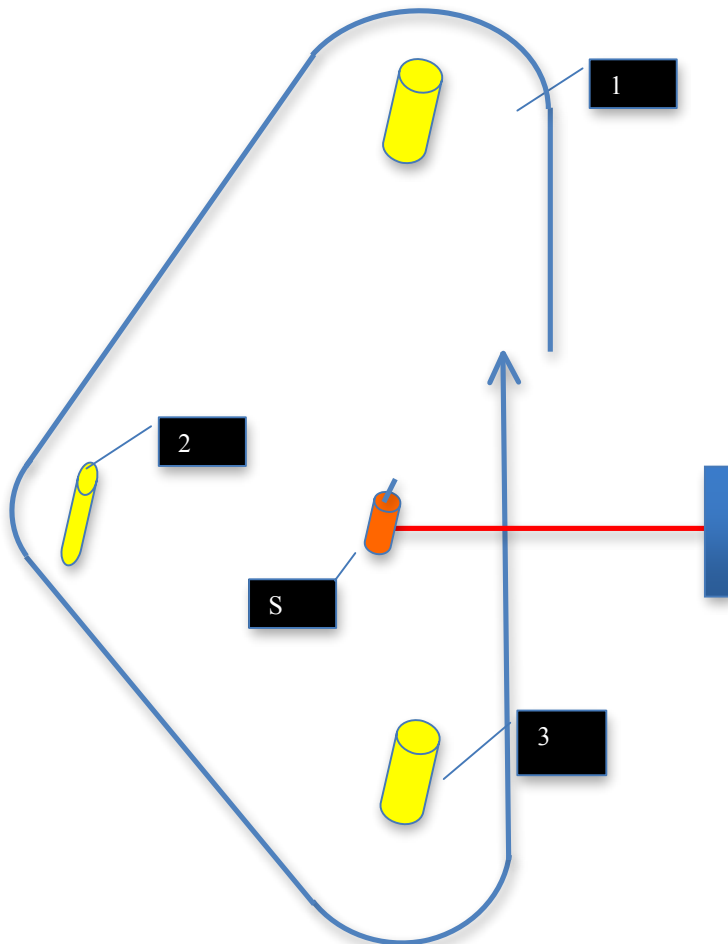


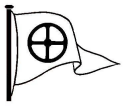


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- 9.3. Boats sailing Course pattern 1 (29er, 420, Handicap), will sail Windward/leeward courses as follows S,1a,3,S,1a,3,S, etc. with a maximum of 4 laps
- 9.4. Boats sailing Course pattern 2 (Mirror), will sail a Triangle/sausage/triangle as follows S,1b,2,3,S,1b,3,S,1b,2,3,S
- 9.5. Boats sailing Course pattern 3 (Topper), will sail Windward/leeward courses as follows S,1b,3,S,1b,3,S, etc. with a maximum of 4 laps
- 9.6. Boats sailing Course pattern 4 (Optimist) will sail Windward/leeward courses as follows S,1c,3,S,1c,3,S, etc. with a maximum of 4 laps
- 9.7. Boats sailing Course pattern 5 on Race track 2 (regatta fleet) will sail Triangular courses as follows S,1,2,3,S,1,2,3,S,etc for a maximum of 3 laps

Race Track 2





10. Marks

- 10.1. **MAIN FLEET:** Marks 1a, 1b, 1c,2 and 3 will be orange inflatable pillar marks
- 10.2. **MAIN FLEET:** Mark S will be the port end of the start / finish line. Mark S will be a **Yellow Pillar** mark.
- 10.3. **DEVELOPMENT FLEET** marks will be **Yellow pillar** marks & Mark S will be a orange mark with a flag attached.

11. The Start

- 11.1. Races will be started using rule 26, but the warning signal will be given **3 minutes** before the starting signal. This changes rule 26.
- 11.2. The starting line will be between a staff or mast displaying an orange flag or shape on the race committee boat at the starboard end and Mark S at the port end.
- 11.3. A boat starting later than 3 minutes after the starting signal for the last class to start will be scored Did Not Start (DNS).
- 11.4. After a general recall of any class the normal starting sequence shall not be interrupted. The warning signal for the class that has had a general recall shall be raised at the starting signal of the last class to start normally. This changes rule 29.2.

12. Change of Course

- 12.1. To change the next leg of the course, the race committee, will move the original marks (and/or the finishing line) to a new position.

13. The Finish

- 13.1. The finishing line will be between a staff or mast displaying an orange flag or shape on a race committee boat and Mark S at the Port end of the line.

14. Time Limit

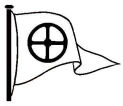
- 14.1. The time limit will be 1 hour 30 minutes after the start time for the class. Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat in class finishes or within the time limit, whichever is earlier, will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes rule 35.

15. Protests

- 15.1. Protests shall be written on forms available at the race office and delivered there within 1 hour after the time of the last boat's finish on the day of racing.
- 15.2. Protests will be heard in approximately the order of receipt as soon as possible after racing has finished for the day.
- 15.3. Rule 66 is changed by adding this sentence: 'On the last day of racing, a party to the hearing may ask for a reopening no later than 30 Minutes after being informed of the decision.'

16. Scoring

- 16.1. The low point scoring system of Appendix A of the RRS will apply.
- 16.2. The results for one-design classes will be calculated using each boat's **finishing position**.
- 16.3. The results for boats racing in handicap classes will be calculated using each boat's Average Lap Time.



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- 16.4. If 4 or more races are sailed, then one discard will be allowed. One race is required to be finished to constitute a series.

17. Safety

- 17.1. For Dinghies, Rule 40 is changed such that effective personal buoyancy **must be worn by all competitors at all times** while afloat.
- 17.2. No boat will be allowed to compete which, in the view of the Race Committee or an official appointed by them, is not seaworthy or has inadequate buoyancy.

18. Tallies

- 18.1. All competitors shall, in person, tally out before launching, and tally in on return from, racing. The time for a boat to “tally out” ends when the boat is launched.
- 18.2. The penalty for failing to “tally out” is a non-discardable ten points, added to her score in her first race of the day, without a hearing. This changes rule 63.1. The time to “tally in” finishes ten minutes after the last boat is ashore. The penalty for failing to “tally in” is ten points, added to her score in her last race of the day, without a hearing. This changes rule 63.1. If a competitor fails to “tally in or out” two times at the event, on the second time the penalty will be DSQ from all races in the event without a hearing. This changes rule 63.1.
- 18.3. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee or the Race Office as soon as possible.
- 18.4. A competitor who does not tally out must request AND RECEIVE permission to compete from a safety official. The ten point penalty identified in 17.2 will still apply.

19. Rescue Craft

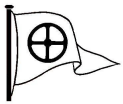
- 19.1. Rescue craft will be available. Once assistance has been accepted the instructions of the rescue crew must be obeyed.

20. Disclaimer

The Officers of Helensburgh Sailing Club on behalf of themselves and their representatives disclaim any and every responsibility for any loss, injury or inconvenience to dinghies, persons or associated things, howsoever arising, directly or indirectly, ashore or afloat from the use of slip-ways, premises and the handling of attendant vessels or from their rules, policy or ruling during races and related activities.

21. Insurance

The safety of a boat and her entire management, including insurance against any risks and responsibility to third parties, shall be the sole responsibility of the owner/ competitor racing the boat who must ensure that the boat and crew are adequate to face the conditions which may arise during the course of the event. Each owner/competitor shall be responsible for ensuring that he/she holds adequate third party insurance to the minimum value of £2,000,000 sterling whilst racing. The establishment of these Sailing Instructions in no way limits or reduces the complete responsibility of the owner/competitor for his/her crew, his/her boat and the management thereof and third party liability ashore or afloat. No responsibility for loss, damage, death or personal injury howsoever caused, will be accepted either by the organizing club or any official connected with the event.



22. Narrow Channels Restrictions

Whilst afloat, any dinghy which is unable for reasons of lack of wind or other cause to sail clear of large power driven vessel shall paddle in order to clear and, if racing, shall thereafter report full details to the Race Committee. Competitors are reminded of the Clydeport Operations Limited byelaw which prohibits yachts and other craft from manoeuvring within 100meters of any ferry terminal. Particular regard shall be paid to this when in the vicinity of Clyde marine services operations at Helensburgh pier. The Restricted channel into the Gareloch, off Helensburgh Sailing Club and extending to the southern limit of the Queen's Harbour, may be closed by the Queen Harbourmaster for the passage of large naval vessels. CI flag U shown at HSC or by the PCV will indicate if this is likely. The requirements described above MUST be met, and any instructions received from MOD police in accompanying RIB's or Launches must be promptly obeyed.

GENERAL INFORMATION

This section does not form part of the Sailing Instructions and is provided for information only.

Headquarters - The Regatta Office will be based at Helensburgh Sailing Club and will be open as follows:

09:30 to 12:30 and for one and a half hours after completion of racing on Saturday.

09:30 to 10:30 and for one hour after completion of racing on Sunday.

The official notice board will be at the Regatta Headquarters

Entries will be accepted as detailed in The Notice of Race; however the scale of prizes and combination of classes will be established from the number of entries.

Results of races will be published on the Official Notice Board as soon as possible after completion of racing on the day.

The Prize-giving will be at HSC Clubhouse as soon as possible after completion of racing on Sunday

Tidal Information - BST at Greenock

HW Saturday 15th June 04:55 BST

HW Sunday 16th June 05:39 BST

Committee Vessels – The committee boats for each track are as follows

Race Track 1	'Mayrise'	Sigma 33	White hull
Race Track 2	'Champ'	Chevington Launch	White hull