

**STREAKER CLASS NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP**  
**12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> June 2010**

**Organising Authority:**

**Stewartby Watersports Club, in conjunction with the Streaker Class Owners Association**

**DRAFT SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

**1. RULES**

- 1.1 The championship will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 In the case of conflict these sailing instructions will over-ride all other rules.
- 1.3 All competitors must be members of the Streaker Class Owners Association and the Class Rules of any eligible boat competing will apply.

**2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located in the clubhouse.

**3. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board at least 30 minutes before the advertised start time of the race or races concerned, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

**4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flag gantry to the west of the dinghy park.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 20 minutes' in race signal AP.  
[This changes rule Race Signals AP]
- 4.3 A Red flag signifies that no boat is to go afloat. When displayed this flag will be accompanied by several sound signals.

**5. SCHEDULE OF RACES**

5.1 The number, dates and scheduled times of races, are shown below:-

Saturday June 12 <sup>th</sup>	Race 1 warning signal: 10.55h
	Race 2 warning signal: 13.55h
	Race 3 warning signal: As soon as possible after race 2.
Sunday June 13 <sup>th</sup>	Race 4 warning signal: 10.35h
	Race 5 warning signal 13.25h

5.2 On the last day of racing, no warning signal will be made after 15.00h.

**6. CLASS FLAG**

The class flag will be the Streaker Class flag.

**7. RACING AREA**

The racing area will Stewartby Lake.

**8. THE COURSES**

- 8.1 The diagram in Appendix A shows the course, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 8.2 The number of rounds to be sailed will be indicated on a board displayed on the Committee Boat

**9. MARKS**

- 9.1 Marks 1, 2, & 3 will be orange cylindrical buoys.
- 9.2 New marks, as provided in instruction 12.1, will be orange cylindrical buoys marked with a dark band.
- 9.3 Starting marks will be the race committee signal boat at the starboard end and a yellow cylindrical buoy at the port end.
- 9.4 The finishing line marks will be a race committee boat flying a blue flag and a white spherical buoy flying a pink flag.

**10. AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS**

There are no areas which are obstructions

**11. THE START**

- 11.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26
- 11.2 The starting line will be between a mast displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat at the starboard end and the port-end mark
- 11.3 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon an orange flag will be displayed with one sound signal for at least 4 minutes before a warning signal is displayed

11.4 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start.  
[This changes RRS A5]

## **12. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

- 12.1 To change the position of the next mark, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. The change will be signalled at the previous mark before the leading boat has begun the leg that is affected, although the new mark may not yet be in position. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- 12.2 Boats shall pass between the race committee vessel signaling the change and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee vessel to starboard. [This changes RRS rule 28.1]

## **13. THE FINISH**

- 13.1 The finishing line will be between a mast displaying a blue flag on a race committee boat and the finishing mark.
- 13.2 When the course is to be shortened at mark 3 [the leeward mark] a race committee vessel will display flag F in the vicinity of mark 3 and make repetitive sound signals. Boats shall pass between mark 3 and the race committee vessel leaving mark 3 to port and the race committee boat to starboard, then sail directly to the finish line. The race committee boat on station at the finish will display flag S.

## **14. PENALTY SYSTEM**

As provided in RRS 67, the Protest Committee may, without a hearing, penalise a boat that has broken RRS 42.

## **15. TIME LIMIT**

- 15.1 The time limit for any race for the leading boat is 90 minutes.
- 15.2 Boats failing to finish with 20 minutes of the leading boat may at the discretion of the Race Committee be given a position as perceived by the Race Committee at that time.
- 15.3 At the discretion of the Race Committee, a tail-ender that has lost contact with the main body of the fleet may towards the end of the race be informed verbally by the race committee that she need not complete the lap but should return to the starting area for the start of the next back to back race. An appropriate finishing position will be given based on her position in the fleet at the last mark rounding. Failure of the Race Committee to implement this sailing instruction shall not be grounds for redress by a boat.  
[Sailing Instructions 15.2 & 15.3 change RRS35 and Appendix A4]

## **16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 16.1 Protest forms are available at the Race Control building to the west of the dinghy park. Completed forms shall be handed to the chairman of the protest committee.
- 16.2 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day. When known, this time will be displayed on the official notice board in the Clubhouse. The same protest time limit applies to all protests by the race committee and protest committee and to requests for redress.  
[This changes the time limits of RRS 61.3 and 62.2.]
- 16.3 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. The notice will include the location and the intended start time of the hearings.
- 16.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 16.5 A list of boats that have been disqualified by the protest committee, under paragraph 14 of these sailing instructions will be posted before the protest time limit.
- 16.6 Breaches of paragraphs 14, 18, 19.2 and 22 of these sailing instructions will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification, if the protest committee so decides.
- 16.7 On the last day of the regatta a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:  
(a) within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day.  
(b) no later than 30 minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day.  
This changes RRS 66.
- 16.8 For the purpose of RRS 64.3(b) the 'authority responsible' is the measurer appointed by the Streaker Class Owners Association.

## **17 SCORING**

- 17.1 The Championships will be scored using RRS appendix A4 Low Points system.
- 17.2 Race scores will be modified such that
- DSQ scores number of starters in the race +1
  - DNF scores number of starters in the race +1
  - OCS scores number of starters in the race +1
  - RAF scores number of starters in the race +1
  - BFD scores number of starters in the race +1

- 17.3 Three races shall constitute a series.
- 17.4 Each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores, with her worst score discarded if four or more races are completed.

## **18 SAFETY AND DECLARATIONS**

18.1 All competitors shall wear personal buoyancy at all times whilst afloat on the water. Wet suits or dry suits do not constitute adequate buoyancy.

This changes RRS 40 and the preamble to Part 4

### **18.2 Boat Identification Number**

All boats will display their official sail number as required by the Streaker Class Owners Association Rules RRS77 and Appendix G subject to dispensation granted under SI 19.1.

18.3 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee, a patrol boat or the beach master as soon as possible.

## **19, REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

19.1 Under exceptional circumstances the Race Committee may permit a boat to use sails carrying a distinguishing number other than that required by RRS 77 and Appendix G2. Requests for such substitution must be made in writing in advance and lodged with the Race Officer. This alters RRS 77 and Appendix G2.

19.2 Competitors may not be substituted.

## **20 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

20.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions.

20.2 The Championship measurer will be appointed by the Streaker Class Owners Association.

20.3 Each boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate at registration.

20.4 All sails shall have been measured by a class-approved measurer prior to being used during the championships

## **21. ADVERTISING.**

Not used

## **22 OFFICIAL BOATS**

22.1 The official boats will be the Committee Boat, the Safety Boats and the Mark Laying boats.

## **23 SUPPORT BOATS**

23.1 Team leaders, coaches, parents and other support personnel shall stay a minimum of 200m outside of the extremities of the course configuration from the time of the first Warning Signal until all boats have finished or retired or the Race Committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

23.2 Team leaders, coaches, parents or other support personnel who fail to observe the above will be the subject of a protest by the Race Committee and any penalty so accrued will be ascribed to the competing boat(s) that they are connected with which shall be non-excludable.

## **24 TRASH DISPOSAL**

No boats shall throw any rubbish of any kind overboard.

## **25 HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS**

Not used

## **26 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

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.

## **27 PRIZES**

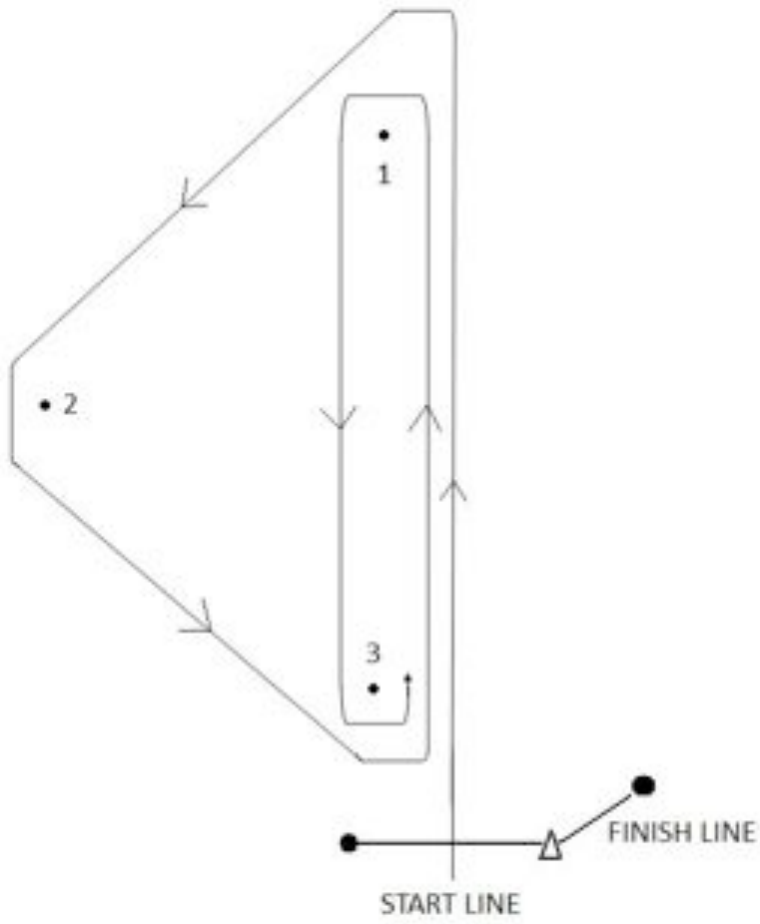
Prizes will be awarded according to the rules of the Streaker Class Owners Association.

## **28. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the championship entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the championship.

## **29. INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000 or the equivalent.



Odd number rounds: 1-2-3 All marks to port  
Even numbered rounds: 1-3 All marks to port