

CARDIFF BAY YACHT CLUB



January 2019

Sailing Instructions for New Years Day Pursuit Race

1. Safety and Responsibility

1.1 Yacht racing can be dangerous. The attention of owners, skippers and crew is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 4: "A yacht is solely responsible for deciding whether or not to start or to continue racing". The safety of a yacht and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the owner or owner's representative who must do their best to ensure that the yacht is fully found, thoroughly seaworthy and manned by an experienced crew who are physically fit to face bad weather. They must be satisfied as to the soundness of the hull, spars, rigging, sails and all gear. They must ensure that the safety equipment is properly maintained and stowed and that the crew know where it is kept and how it is to be used.

1.2 Cardiff Bay Yacht Club accept no responsibility or liability for loss of life or injury to members or others, or for the loss of, or damage to, any vessel or property.

1.3 The owner and crew will be held jointly responsible for the conduct of the yacht's crew before, during and after a race. Misconduct may result in both owner and crew being excluded from future races and render a yacht liable to disqualification.

1.4 Yachts must hold a valid and current boat insurance which covers them for third party claims of up to £3,000,000 for the entire period of the series.

1.5 Crew members' attention is drawn to RRS 1.2 life-saving equipment . . . "Each competitor is individually responsible for wearing personal buoyancy adequate for the conditions."

1.6 No yacht may carry an anchor that overhangs its bow

1.7 Transom mounted outboard motors must be either stowed within the yacht or left in the vertical position while racing

1.8 The Cardiff Harbour Authority regulations and Notices to Mariners will apply

1.9 All competitors should wear appropriate clothing for the weather conditions

2. Rules

2.1 The racing will be organised by Cardiff Bay Yacht Club and governed by these sailing instructions, The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of the RYA except as any of these are changed by these sailing instructions.

2.2 The series are designated Category C as described in the ISAF Advertising Code.

3. Eligibility

3.1 Any sailing vessel is eligible

4. Radio Communication

4.1 Any vessel may carry a working VHF radio and monitor Ch 37 while in the starting area and for the duration of the race.

4.2 Final course details and other information for competitors may be given by the race officer over VHF Radio and from the course safety and marshal boats. Normally channel 37 (M1) will be used. In the event of a problem with this then Channel 72. If possible the race officer will also announce this over Channel 37.

5. Notices to Competitors and Changes in Sailing Instructions

Notices to Competitors and Changes in Sailing Instructions will be displayed on the club website at www.cbyc.co.uk and/or by the Race Officer on VHF Ch 37.

6. Schedule of Races

There will be a single pursuit race starting at 1200 and ending at 1400 on 1st January.

7. Courses

The course will use laid marks and/or fixed marks in the Bay. The colour and general location of the marks may be announced by the race officer on Ch37 and by the course safety and marshal boats. All boats must pass through the start/finish line at the end of each lap.

8. Starting & Finishing Procedures

8.1 Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26 and 29

8.2 The start line is between a mast on the bridgedeck and a laid out distance mark.

10. Time Limits

The race duration is 2 hours.

11. Protests

Boats intending to protest are requested to inform the race officer as soon as possible by radio etc. Protests shall then be delivered in writing to the race officer, member or delegate of the race committee within 10 minutes of the end of the race.

Official protest forms will be available behind the bar in the CBYC Clubhouse.

12. Scoring, results and prizes

The lead boat at the end of the race will be the winner.

Results may be displayed on the Cardiff Bay Yacht Club website after the race.

Prizes will be awarded as the race committee see fit.

1st January 2019

Race Committee

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