



**GP14 Open Meeting  
Trimpley SC  
12th-July-2025  
SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SI)**

**These SI's shall be read in conjunction with the NoR relating to this event**

**1 RULES**

- 1.1 Notice of Race (NoR) 1 Rules apply to this event
- 1.2 Distinguishing numbers: a boat may with the permission of the Race Committee use sails with a distinguishing mark other than the registered number of the boat.
- 1.3 Trimpley Sailing Club supports the RYA Racing Charter & that when entering, competitors undertake to sail in compliance with the Charter.

**2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

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

**3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SI's)**

- 3.1 Any changes to the SI's will be posted at least 30 minutes before the warning signal of a race it will affect.

**4 SIGNALS MADE**

- 4.1 Signals made may be displayed at the Race Control Hut, unless otherwise advised at the Briefing.

**5 SAFETY, DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY & INSURANCE**

- 5.1 See NoR 10 Risk Statement
- 5.2 See NoR 11 Insurance

**6 SCHEDULE OF RACES  
Starting and Recalls**

- 6.1 The warning signal for the first race shall not be before the time advised in the Notice of Race. The intended schedule of subsequent races that follow will be announced at the briefing.
- 6.2 RRS 29 Recalls applies

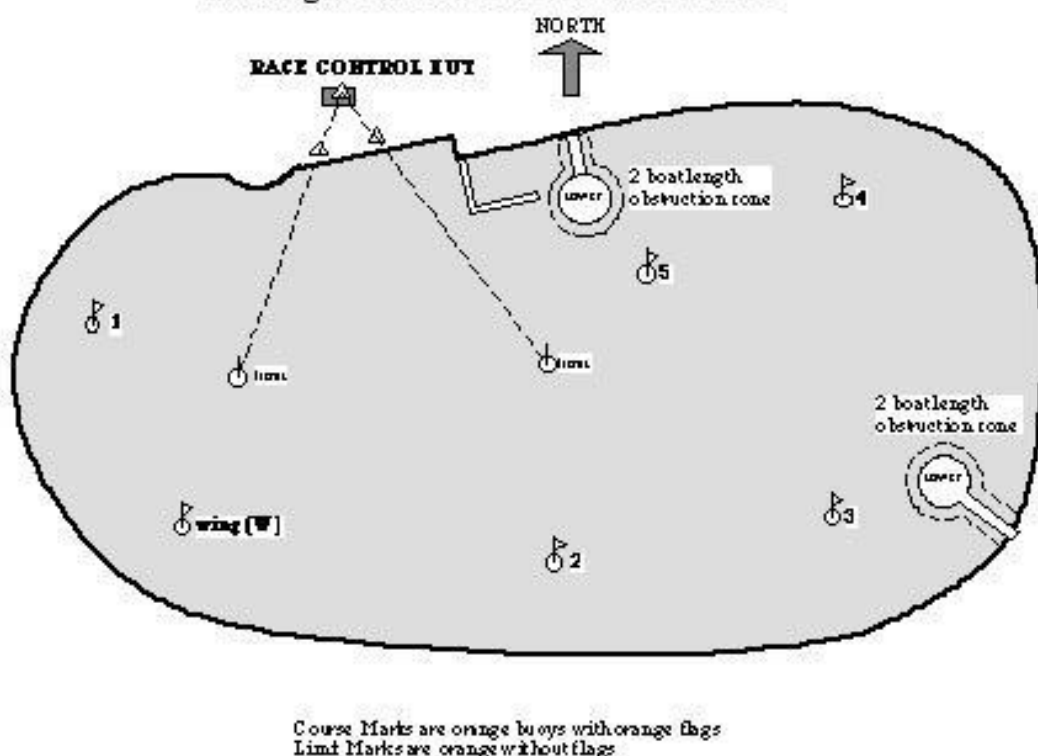
**7 CLASS FLAGS**

- 7.1 The flag(s) will be displayed at the briefing.

**8 SAILING AREA & OBSTRUCTIONS**

- 8.1 The sailing area is the full extent of the reservoir.
- 8.2 The two towers and access bridges in the reservoir rank as obstructions as defined in RRS Obstructions. Severn Trent Water require that a 5m Obstruction Zone be observed around these structures.

## TRIMPLEY SAILING CLUB RACE AREAS showing mark numbers and obstructions



### THE COURSE & MARKS

- 9.1 The *course* will be displayed on the Race Control Hut no later than the warning signal. The mark numbers or letters shall be displayed in sequence, their background colour 'Red' or 'Green' indicating whether marks are to be passed to port or starboard respectively.
- 9.2 The intended number of *laps* will be determined by time. The 'target' time of each race will be approximately 50 minutes for the first boat that sails the course and finishes. The Race Officer with signal shortened course (Flag S) at an appropriate time to achieve this 'target'. Not achieving or exceeding this 'target' time will not give cause to seek redress or protest.
- 9.3 *Course marks* – Course marks are round buoys, labelled and laid out approximately as shown above.
- 9.4 *Start Line marks* - The mark used for the starting line will be a round buoy
- 9.5 *Finish Line mark*  
The marks used for the finishing line will be a mark of the course and the Committee boat or the Race Control Hut and the Finish Line Mark (marked L).

### 10 THE START

- 10.1 The *Starting Line* – will be between a staff on the committee boat displaying an orange flag or the Race Control Hut or a staff on the shore and the start line mark. This will be confirmed at the briefing
- 10.2 The starting sequence will be as RRS 26. 5, 4, 1, 0
- 10.3 A boat that *starts* later than 4 minutes after the starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1

## **11 CHANGE OF POSITION OF MARK**

- 11.1 No marks of the course will be moved after the warning signal.

## **12 SHORTEN COURSE**

- 12.1 The Shorten Course shall be signalled (display of code flag S with two sounds) before the leading boat enters the 3 boat length zone of a mark of the course. The leading boat and all other boats will leave the mark on the required side and sail to the finish line without being required to pass or round any other marks crossing the line in the direction as sailed from the last mark.

## **13 THE FINISH**

- 13.1 The *Finishing Line* – will be between the staff on the Committee Boat flying an orange flag or the Race Control Hut and the finish line mark.
- 13.2 *Sound Signal* – Boats crossing the finishing line may be acknowledged with a sound signal. This does not imply correct completion of the race or otherwise.

## **14 RACE TIME LIMIT**

- 14.1 Race time limit will be 65 min after the start time for the first boat that sails the course and finishes. If no boat finishes within the race time limit, the race committee shall abandon the race. Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat that sails the course and finishes will be classified as Did Not Finish (DNF). This amends RRS 35.
- 14.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

## **15 PROTESTS, REDRESS, HEARINGS, MISCONDUCT AND APPEALS**

- 15.1 RRS 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66 and 67 apply written on forms available from the race office at Trimpley Sailing Club.
- 15.2 Completed protest forms shall be lodged with the Race Officer or their representative at the race office at Trimpley Sailing Club within the protest time limit.
- 15.3 The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the last boat finishes the last race of that day or the race officer signals no more racing today.
- 15.4 Hearing notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the end of the protest time limit to inform competitors and parties and named witnesses of the time and location of the Hearing.
- 15.5 Appendix T Arbitration Hearing will apply before a protest meeting

## **16 DECLARATIONS**

- 16.1 Declarations are not required.

## **17 SCORING**

- 17.1 See NoR 8 Scoring

## **18 SUBSTITUTIONS OF COMPETITORS or BOAT**

- 18.1 Changing of helm - A change of helm is classified as a new entry.
- 18.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorised by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the Race Committee at the first reasonable opportunity.