

**International Dart 18 World Championships 2023** 

30th July – 4th August 2023

Royal Yorkshire Yacht Club, Blyth Park

# **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

#### 1 Rules

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024, prescriptions of the RYA, the rules of the International Dart Association, the Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 The helm shall be a current member of UKIDA and/or their own National Dart Association.
- 1.3 Under exceptional circumstances, the race committee may permit sails carrying an identifying number other than that required by RRS 77 Appendix G. Prior written approval is required. Forms for this purpose are available in the information area & shall be submitted to the race office.

## 2 Changes To Sailing Instructions

2.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted no later than an hour before the start of the first race of the day, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

## 3 Notices to Competitors

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the marguee.
- 3.2 The race office is located in the transline cabin / club house.
- 3.3 A briefing will be held at RYYC at 1000hrs on Sunday 30th July 2023.
- 3.4 A practice race briefing will be held at RYYC at 1300hrs on Saturday 29th July 2023.
- 3.5 A WhatsApp group has been set up to allow communication to the competitors. This can be joined using the information on the notice board.

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#### 4 Code Of Conduct

- 4.1 Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.
- 4.2 Competitors and support persons shall handle any equipment and place advertising provided by the organising authority with care, seamanship, in accordance with any instructions for its use and without interfering with its functionality.

## 5 Signals Made Ashore

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on RYYC flag pole.
- 5.2 Flag D with one sound means 'The warning signal will be made not less than 45 minutes after flag D is displayed. Boats shall not go afloat until this signal is made.
- 5.3 When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 60 minutes" when raising the race signal AP. Flag D will be displayed shortly after flag AP is removed.
- 5.4 Flag T with a sound means: 'Official Vessels and registered support/coach boats supporting competitors may tow competitors to or from the race areas'. At the discretion of the race management team a retiring boat may be towed in to shore, but not back out to the race area.

#### 6 Schedule Of Races

6.1 The number of races scheduled is 10. The intention is to run 2 races a day, however the Race Committee may amend this as they see fit but no more than 3 races will be sailed on any one day. All times below are 'not before' and refer to the first start of each day, any further races during the day will take place as soon as possible after the proceeding race. Practice race 1 will be without flag B flying, practice race 2 will be with flag B flying.

Day	Start Time	Warning Signal	Number of races	High Water
Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup> July (Practice races)	1500hrs	1455hrs	1 (max 2)	1414hrs 5.22m
Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup> July	1200hrs	1155hrs	2 ( max 3)	1522hrs 5.50m
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> July	1200hrs	1155hrs	2 ( max 3)	1622hrs 5.86
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> August	1200hrs	1155hrs	2 ( max 3)	1715hrs 6.22m
Wed 2nd August	Lay day *		0* ( max 3)	1803hrs 6.50m
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> August	1200hrs	1155hrs	2 ( max 3)	0614hrs 6.82m
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> August	1100hrs	1055hrs	2 ( max 3)	0659hrs 6.99m

<sup>\*</sup>In order that 10 races can be completed, racing may take place on the lay day at the race committees discretion and if so times will be published by 1800hrs on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> August.

- 6.2 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least 3 minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 6.3 No race shall start after 1430hrs on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> August except as a result of a general recall.

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## 7 Class Flags

7.1 The class flag for the Dart 18's will be Int. Code Flag D.

## 8 Racing Area

8.1 The Racing area will be Bridlington Bay.

#### 9 Courses

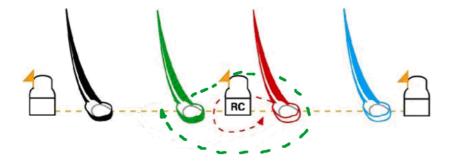
- 9.1 The diagrams in SI Addendum 1 show the courses including the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 9.2 The course will be 3 laps.

#### 10 Marks

- 10.1 Marks 1, 2s, 2p, 2, 3 will be yellow cylindrical marks.
- 10.2 Mark 1a will be an orange pellet mark.
- 10.3 New marks, as provided in SI 12, are orange cylindrical marks.

#### 11 The Start

- 11.1 The start line will be between a staff flying an orange flag on a race committee boat and the starting mark placed to port of the race committee boat.
- 11.2 If code flag B is flown a second start line segment will be created between the staff flying an orange flag on the race committee boat and the starting mark placed to starboard of the race committee boat.
- 11.3 If code flag B is flown and RRS 30.1 Round-an-End rule is in effect, boats subject to this rule shall thereafter: (a) sail from the course side across an extension of the starting line beyond either starting mark to the pre-course side before starting, or (b) round the race committee before starting. This changes RRS 30.1 (see the diagram below).



- 11.4 Repeat signals may be shown at the port and/or starboard starting marks. These repeat signals are for information only, they should not be relied upon. No claim for redress may be based on signals other than those on the race committee boat. This changes RRS62.
- 11.5 The starting marks will be dan marks with orange flags.
- 11.6 Either starting mark may be replaced by a pin end boat displaying an orange flag.
- 11.7 A boat that does not start within 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

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## 12 Change Of The Next Leg Of The Course

12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

#### 13 The Finish

- 13.1 The finish line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee vessel and the finish mark also displaying a blue flag.
- 13.2 The race committee may score other boats based on their relative positions at a mark of the course or on a leg of the course as follows:
- 13.3 When an official boat displays flag W, boats still racing may be scored as their observed position on the race course.
- 13.4 When a boat is scored in accordance with instruction 13.3, she shall be given a score for a place after all boats that have sailed the course and finished. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

## 14 Penalty System

14.1 RRS 44.1 is **changed** so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

#### 15 Time Limits

15.1 The Mark 1 Time Limit, Race Time Limit (see RRS 35), and the Finishing Window are shown in the table below.

Mark 1 Time Limit	Race Time Limit	Finishing Window
30 minutes	100 minutes	30 minutes

- 15.2 If no boat has passed the first mark within the Mark 1 Time Limit, the race will be abandoned.
- 15.3 The Race Time Limit is the time for the first boat to sail the course and finish the race.
- 15.4 The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes.

## 16 Hearing Requests

- 16.1 The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat finishes the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The time will be posted on the official notice board.
- 16.2 Hearing request forms are available from the race office.
- 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. Hearings will be held in the race office.

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## 17 Scoring

17.1 See NOR.

## 18 Safety Regulations

- 18.1 A tally system will operate, each boat being allocated a tally number at registration. This will be described at the briefing.
- 18.2 Any boats that fail to comply with the safety/tally system will be required to make a £10 donation to the RNLI or face disqualification from the race or races concerned.

## 19 Replacement Of Crew Or Equipment

- 19.1 Substitution of the crew shall be permitted in the event of injury or illness and then only with the permission of the race committee.
- 19.2 Under exceptional circumstances and at the discretion of the race committee, entries may be accepted with a change of crew. This change must be declared in advance stipulating which crew will sail on which day and must be strictly adhered to. In these circumstances eligibility for any prizes will be at the discretion of the race committee.

## 20 Rubbish Disposal

20.1 Rubbish may be placed aboard official vessels.

## 21 Prizes

21.1 See NOR

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#### 22 Risk Statement

- 22.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.
- 22.2 A boat is entirely responsible for her own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing, whether in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions or anywhere else, reduces this responsibility.
- 22.3 It is for the boat to decide whether she is fit to sail in the conditions in which she will find herself. By launching, the boat confirms that she is fit for those conditions and her crew is competent to sail and compete in them.
- 22.4 Nothing done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of the boat nor will it make the organisers responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury, however it may have occurred, as a result of the boat taking part in the racing. The organisers encompass everyone helping to run the race and the event, and include the organising authority, the race committee, the race officer, patrol boats and beach masters
- 22.5 The provision of patrol boats does not relieve the boat of her responsibilities.
- 22.6 Furthermore, parents or guardians of competitors under 18 yrs will be required to take full responsibility for their dependents throughout the event and to sign the parental declaration on the entry form. The person accepting this responsibility shall be present for the duration of the Championship.

#### 23 Insurance

23.1 See NOR

## 24 Jury

- 24.1 The International Jury will be on the water during the event.
- 24.2 They will be identified by flying a flag marked JURY, J or code flag J.

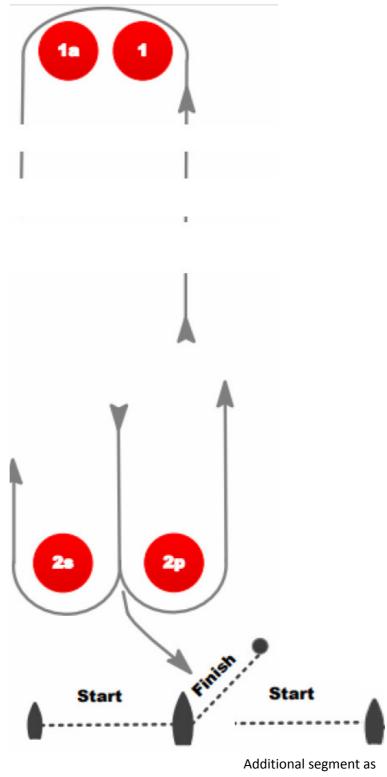
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## Addendum A

## **Course 1 - Windward Leeward**

Mark Rounding Order:

Start - 1 - 1a - 2s/2p - 1 - 1a - 2s/2p - 1 - 1a - 2p - Finish



per SI11.2

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