

Bartley Sailing Club Supernova Open Meeting Sailing Instructions

1.0 Rules

1.1 The event will be governed by the "Rules" as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of the RYA, the appropriate class rules and these sailing instructions.

1.2 The racing rules will govern all boats on the water at all times.

2.0 Notices to Competitors

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located outside the OOD hut.

3.0 Changes to Sailing Instructions

Any changes in the sailing instructions will be indicated by displaying International code flag "L" and two sound signals at least 20 minutes before the advertised start time. Changes will be shown on the notice board outside the OOD hut.

4.0 Signals Made Ashore

Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole adjacent to the OOD hut.

5.0 Schedule of Races

There will be 3 races. The start for the first race will be at approximately 11.00, followed by another two after lunch.

6.0 Signing on

Competitors must pay the entry fee and sign on before the first race. If a competitor retires then they must sign off when coming ashore.

7.0 Class Flags

Class flags will be: Supernova **Star** (flag **H** if not available)

8.0 Courses

8.1 The number of rounds to be sailed will be displayed on the course board.

8.2 The course will be displayed on the course board adjacent to the OOD hut at least 20 minutes before the start of the race or on the Committee boat at least 10 minutes before the start of the race.

8.3 When an alteration to the course is made, two sound signals will be made and International Code Flag Numeral Pennant Two flown.

9.0 Marks

The normal rounding marks will be blue cylinders with tops and numbers colored alternately yellow (even) and red (odd) from 1 – 8 anti-clockwise around the lake. There are four additional marks. Mark 0 is between marks 8 and 1 and has a white top. Mark's A, B and C are located down the centre of the lake with A closest to the dam and are white. Temporary rounding marks may be used and will be red / orange.

10.0 The Start

10.1 Races will be started by using rule 26.

10.2 If there is a General Recall, the sequence will recommence 1 minute after the General Recall flag is lowered.

10.3 When a Committee boat start is used the starting line is defined as the line between the mast on the Committee boat and outer starting mark. The outer mark will be red / orange with a pole. When a shore-based start is used the starting line will be as displayed on the notice board at the OOD hut. A limit mark may be laid adjacent to the Committee boat. Limit marks are marks of the course. No boat shall pass between the limit mark and any part of the vessel it guards after the preparatory signal.

10.4 When a shore-based start is used limit marks may be laid. The limit marks will be red/orange.

10.5 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after the start will be scored DNS.

11.0 Change of The Position of The Next Mark

To change the position of the next mark, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position. The change will be signaled as per the RRS before the leading boat has begun the leg, although the mark may not yet be in the new position.

12.0 The Finish

12.1 A shore based finish line will be between the flagstaff or an orange post mounted triangle outside the OOD hut and a mark of the course or an orange/red mark laid for this purpose.

12.2 Finishing at a mark. When flag S is flown from the mast of a Committee boat not under way, the race will finish between the mast of that Committee boat and the nearby rounding mark.

12.3 Any competitor retiring from a race must inform the OD at the earliest opportunity.

13.0 Time Limits

Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes of the winning boat will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes rules 35 and A4.1.

14.0 Protests And Requests For Redress

Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests shall be delivered there within 30 minutes of the last boat finishing the race.

15.0 Scoring

15.1 The low point scoring system of Appendix A will apply.

15.2 In the case of a series tie after application of rule A8.1, the following class rule shall be applied before using rule A8.2:

If a tie remains between two or more boats, they shall be ranked in order of their total scores including the worst results (i.e. including discards). The boat with the lowest series score wins and the others shall be ranked accordingly

15.3 The number of races to count shall be one less than the number of races completed. If less than 3

16.0 Safety Regulations

16.1 Adequate personal buoyancy shall be worn by all crew members whilst afloat. Inflatable type buoyancy must be worn inflated. Wetsuits do not constitute adequate buoyancy. This alters Rule 40.

17.0 Equipment And Measurement Checks

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee measurer to proceed immediately to shore for inspection.

18.0 Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk. 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 event.

19.0 Insurance

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