

Supernova Sea Championships

4th and 5th May 2019

Snettisham Beach Sailing Club

***Organising Authority: Snettisham Beach Sailing Club
in conjunction with Supernova Class Association***

Sailing Instructions

1. RULES

The regatta will be governed by

1.1 the rules as defined in The ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing 2017 - 2020.

1.2 The rules of the Supernova Class Association

1.3 The sailing instructions

1.4 RYA prescriptions

1.5 The Exoneration Penalty (and the Advisory Hearing and Arbitration procedures) of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedure will be available.

1.6 Racing Rule 40 PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICES will be changed as follows:

Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices at all times when afloat, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wet suits and dry suits are not personal flotation devices. This changes the rule in that the rule is always in force during racing and code flag Y need not be displayed to indicate this.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board, located upstairs in the bar.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted not less than 60 minutes before the advertised start of any race or races concerned, except that any change in the schedule of races for Sunday will be posted by 7pm on Saturday.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagstaff outside the front of the clubhouse.

4.2 Flag L with a sound signal means: 'A notice to competitors has been posted'.

4.3 When Flag AP is flown ashore, race signal AP is changed in that '1 minute' is replaced by 'not less than 30 minutes'.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 It is intended that there will be three back-to-back races on Saturday 4th May with the warning signal for the first start of the first race of the day at 17.35 hrs. Three back-to-back races are scheduled for Sunday 5th May with the warning signal for the first start of the first race of the day at 07.00hrs.

5.2 Six races are scheduled.

5.3 For the purposes of Rule 30.3, a race that cannot be completed on Saturday will be deemed to be restarted or resailed as the first race on Sunday.

5.4 Racing is scheduled to follow the start sequence for the RS700 Class. The warning signal for each race will coincide with the start signal for the RS700 Class for the first race each day.

5.5 The race officer may indicate that the next race sequence is about to start by repeated short sound signals.

5.6 At the discretion of the Class Representative and the Official Race Officer Race 4 may be brought forward to allow for any inclement weather forecasts. This decision will be announced at the briefing.

5.7 No warning signal will be made after 10.30hrs on Sunday.

5.8 Races will not be started unless the Race Officer is satisfied that the wind strength over the whole of the course is generally in excess of 5 knots

5.9 Races will not be held if the Race Officer believes the maximum wind strength on the CB to generally exceed 30 knots

6 THE START

6.1 Races will be started in accordance with rule 26.

6.2 The starting line will be between the staff on the Committee Boat and an outer distance mark or boat, each displaying an

orange flag.

6.3 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes rule A4

6.4 In the event of an individual recall, flag 'X' will be lowered no later than two minutes after the starting signal. This changes RRS 29.1.

6.5 If Flag I is flown the Round-an-End Rule, 30.1, will be in effect. A boat over the line during the minute before the start must sail to the pre-start side of the line around either end before starting.

6.6 If Flag Z is flown the 20% Penalty Rule, 30.2, will be in effect. A boat within the triangle formed by the ends of the line and the first mark during the minute before the start will receive a 20% scoring penalty as specified in Rule 44.3(c). (20% of the number of boats entered, but no greater than if the boat Did Not Finish)

6.7 Flags I and Z may be flown together and both the Round-an-End Rule and the 20% Penalty Rule will be in effect during the minute before the start.

6.8 If Flag U is flown rule 30.3 will be in effect A boat within the triangle formed by the ends of the line and the first mark during the minute before the start will be disqualified without a hearing. If a restart or resail is called, the disqualification is rescinded.

6.9 If a Black Flag is displayed Rule 30.4 will be applied

7. COURSE

7.1 The diagram below shows the course, including the course letters, the order and side in which marks are to be passed.

7.2 The Race Committee boat will display the number of laps to be sailed on a board on the committee boat.

Supernova Course (buoys in approx. relationships, colours are for reference only)

Start

1 Lap 1, 2, 3

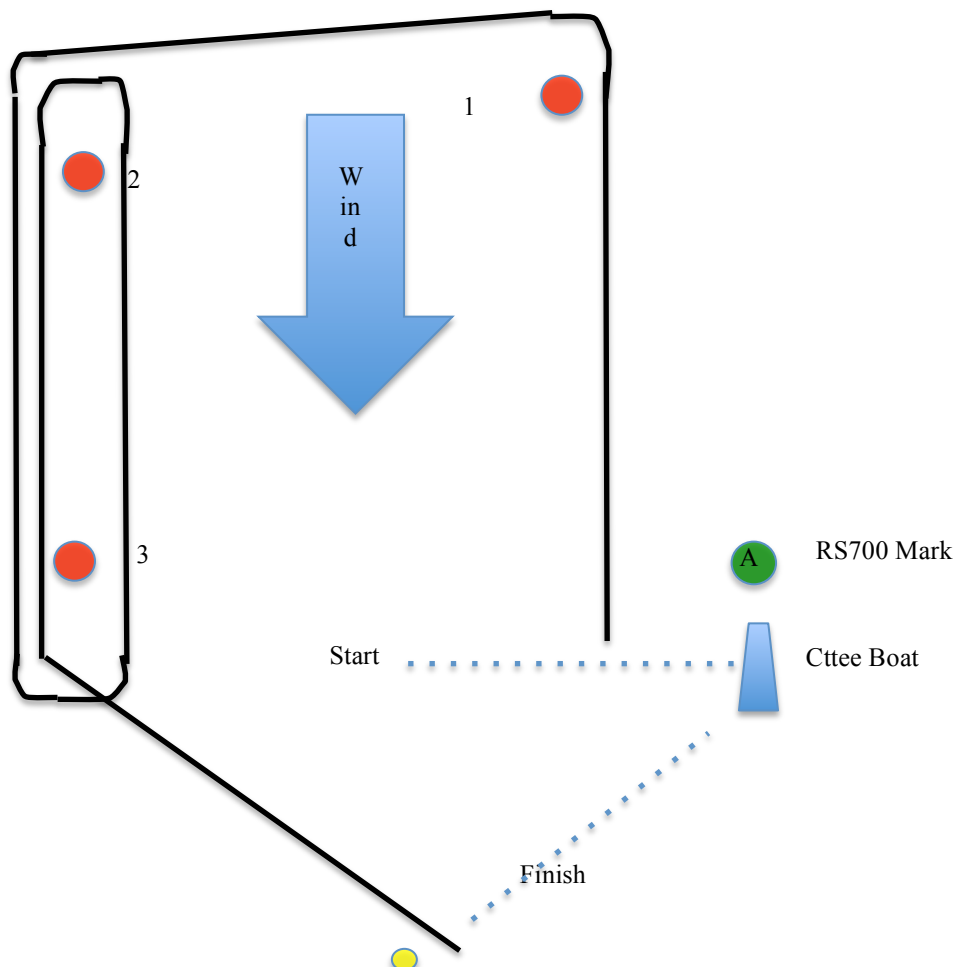
2 Laps 1, 2, 3, 2, 3

3 Laps 1,2,3,2,3,2,3

Finish gate

RS700 Mark

B



8. MARKS

8.1 The marks to be used will be announced at the briefing and may differ from descriptions contained in the sailing instructions.

9. THE FINISH

9.1 The finishing line will be between the staff on the committee boat and a dan buoy displaying a blue flag.

9.2 On any lap, the course may be shortened if the leading boat in the class has rounded its windward mark. Flag 'S' will be displayed on a mark boats on the course area with two sound signals. Boats shall then sail through their lap, round mark 3 to port, then sail through the finish line. A boat failing to observe Flag S will not be able to request redress.

This replaces RRS 32.2 and changes rule 62.

9.3 In order to reduce delay between races, the Race Officer may finish boats at the back of the fleet by recording their positions from a RIB, which will motor down the course. The decision of the Race Officer is final and will not be grounds for a competitor to seek redress.

10 PENALTY SYSTEM AND TIME LIMITS

10.1 If no boat has reached the first mark within 20 minutes, that race will be abandoned, although it may be restarted.

10.2 Rules 44.1 and 44.2 are changed FOR ALL COMPETITORS so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required.

10.3 A boat that Did Not Start, Finish or Retired After Finishing shall complete an acknowledgment form at the race desk within the protest time limit.

11. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

11.1 Protest forms are available at the club desk. Protest forms shall be returned there within the protest time limit.

11.2 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day. This time limit will be extended by 30 minutes for all protests by the Race Committee relating to incidents observed in the racing area.

11.3 Notices will be posted within 20 minutes of the end of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

11.4 Breaches of instructions 13.1, 13.2, and 13.3 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.

12 ADVISORY AND ARBITRATION HEARINGS; EXONERATION PENALTY

The Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration procedures of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available. For these purposes an Exoneration Penalty of 40% shall apply, although the final position of a penalised boat shall be no worse than if she had retired.

13. SAFETY REGULATIONS AND LOCAL ISSUES

13.1 All helms and crews shall wear adequate personal buoyancy at all times while on the water. This changes Rule 40.

13.2 All boats shall avoid the Fishing Exclusion Area bounded by yellow Buoys, approx 400m north of the launching area.

13.3 **Tally System / Signing-on.** For the Safety of all taking part, a Tally system or Signing-on procedure may be in place. This will be confirmed at the competitors briefing.

13.4 a) It is a condition of entry that a Competitor shall comply with the instructions of Safety Boat crews, whose priority is to help competitors in distress or danger before retrieving boats.

b) Any action by these crews solely intended to ensure the safety of a competitor, such as recovering crew or separated components of the boat, provided this does not materially advantage the boat concerned, is not "outside help" as defined in RRS 41 and is not subject to protest from another competitor. The competitor may continue to race. This amends RRS 41.

13.6 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible. This is to be confirmed by completing a declaration on coming ashore.

14. SCORING

14.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

14.2 There will be one discard if three races or more races have been completed and no discards if less than three races are completed.

14.3 If a different Helm completes a race in the same boat then they shall be considered a separate entry and their results cannot be combined with the results achieved by another Helm.

15 MEASUREMENT

15.1 Competitors are required to allow the race committee, the class committee or a duly authorised representative of either body to measure or inspect a boat at any time when she is not racing.

16 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

16.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4 Decision to Race. Competitors are entirely responsible for their own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing reduces this responsibility. It is for competitors to decide whether their boat and its helm and crew are fit to sail in the conditions that they might find. By

launching or going afloat competitors confirm their boat is fit for those conditions and that they are competent to sail and compete in them. Nothing done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of the owners and/or competitors, 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 event and include the organizing authority, race committee, race officer, safety officer, patrol boat personnel and beach masters. The provision of patrol boats does not relieve owners and competitors of their responsibilities.

17. INSURANCE

17.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2 million.

