

RED WHARF BAY SAILING & WATERSPORTS CLUB
SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
THE ANGLESEY OFFSHORE DINGHY & CATAMARAN RACE
Sunday 9th August 2009
Monohulls over 15 miles Beaumaris to Traeth Bychan,
Catamarans up to 30 miles

Race Officer : TBC

Assistant Race Officer: John Nightingale

1.0 RULES.

1.1 Racing shall take place under the current Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescription of the RYA, these sailing instructions and the Rules of the appropriate Class Associations. Competitors should note that the venue club shall implement the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be required to undertake to sail in compliance with the Charter, which can be found at the front of the RYA rule book (RRS).

1.2 Monohull dinghies will be rated using the PYR system. Catamarans will be rated using the ISAF Small Catamaran Rating system.

2.0 CONDITIONS OF ENTRY.

The safety of a Boat and her entire management, including insurance, shall be the sole responsibility of the owner/competitor racing the Boat, who must ensure that the Boat and crew are adequate to face the conditions which may arise during the course of the race.

THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THESE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS DOES NOT IN ANY WAY LIMIT OR REDUCE THE ABSOLUTE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE OWNER OR COMPETITOR FOR HIS CREW, HIS BOAT AND THE MANAGEMENT THEREOF. THE RACE ORGANISERS SHALL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY LOSS, DAMAGE, DEATH OR PERSONAL INJURY HOWSOEVER CAUSED TO THE OWNER/COMPETITOR, HIS SKIPPER OR CREW, AS A RESULT OF THEIR TAKING PART IN THIS EVENT. EACH OWNER/COMPETITOR WARRANTS THE SUITABILITY OF HIS BOAT FOR THE EVENT.

3.0 LOCAL VARIATIONS

NOTE! THIS EVENT IS INTENTIONALLY DIFFERENT TO MOST DINGHY RACES. FOR THIS REASON YOU ARE ADVISED TO TAKE PARTICULAR NOTE OF THESE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS.

4.0 BRIEFING

A briefing will take place in The Royal Anglesey Yacht Club at 11.15 hrs Sunday 9th August for all competitors.

5.0 SIGNING ON

5.1 All competitors shall sign on, to confirm details of their entry, at the Start Line between 10.45 and 12.15.

5.2 Before a Boat is eligible to race, her valid Class Certificate maybe requested to be presented.

6.0 SCRUTINY

6.1 Boats may be subject to scrutiny before or after the event at the discretion of the Race Committee. Boats found not complying with these Sailing Instructions shall be disqualified without a hearing.

6.2 Under exceptional circumstances, the Race Committee may permit a Boat to use sails carrying distinguishing numbers other than the registered number of the Boat. Helms seeking permission should lodge a written request, with the reception at the starting line station, and obtain authorisation before going afloat.

7.0 SAFETY

7.1 Effective personal buoyancy shall be worn by all helmsmen and crews whilst afloat and, if it is of the inflatable type, must be kept inflated. Wet suits or dry suits, in themselves, shall not be considered adequate buoyancy.

8.0 ELIGIBILITY

8.1 The event shall be open to Catamaran and Monohull dinghies having a Portsmouth Number not exceeding 1178.

9.0 DECLARATION

9.1 Each helmsman shall either sign a declaration that the rules were observed in the event, or retire, within 30 minutes of the last Boat in his fleet finishing.

9.2 The declaration sheet will be at the clubhouse Red Wharf Bay Sailing & Watersports Club

10.0 **COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS**

10.1 Notices to competitors shall be posted on the official notice board located in the Royal Anglesey Yacht Club foyer.

11.0 **CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

11.1 Changes to sailing instructions will be indicated by Code Flag L being flown from the Royal Anglesey Yacht Club House Flag Pole.

The Race will not start less than one hour after any changes to sailing instructions have been posted on the notice board in the foyer of the Royal Anglesey Yacht Club.

12.0 **ALL CLASS SIGNALS & OTHER STARTING SIGNALS**

Start signals shall be made from the flag pole at the start line on Beaumaris Green. Other signals shall be made from the Committee Boat.

12.1 The Catamaran Fleet shall sail under I.C Numeral Pennant 3.

12.2 The Monohull Fleet shall sail under I.C Flag A

12.3 A 30 minute rigging signal will be sounded at approx 12.30, accompanied by hoisting of IC Flag F. IC flag F will be lowered at the warning signal

In case of a postponed start, the postponement flag will be lowered 30 minutes before the monohull warning signal and Flag F will be hoisted.

13.0 **SCHEDULE OF RACES** (all times approximate)

	<u>Monohull Fleet</u>		<u>Catamaran Fleet</u>	
13.1	Warning Signal	1255 hrs	Warning Signal	1310 hrs
	Preparatory Signal	1256 hrs	Preparatory Signal	1311 hrs
	One-minute Signal	1259 hrs	One-minute signal	1314 hrs
	Start	1300 hrs	Start	1315 hrs

14.0 **THE STARTS**

14.1 The start line shall be the prolongation of an imaginary line formed through two flag poles on Beaumaris Green.

The poles shall be at the PORT end of the line. An outer limit mark boat, flying an ORANGE FLAG, shall be stationed at the starboard end. This mark boat, which may not necessarily be on the line, shall be left to STARBOARD.

14.2 A Boat shall not start later than 10 minutes after her class start.

15.0 **STARTING PENALTIES**

A Boat on the course side of the start line within one minute of the start shall, without notice, be subject to a 20% penalty to her elapsed time. (Rule 30.2 shall apply)

16.0 **THE COURSE**

16.1 **CATAMARAN COURSE**

Start, as described in 14.0 above

To Puffin Sound, leave the Perch mark to STARBOARD and leave Light House to PORT.

Then to Mark off Red Wharf Bay Quarry leaving it to STARBOARD

Then to mark off Benllech leaving it to STARBOARD

Then to Moelfre mark leave to PORT

Then back to mark off Benllech leave to PORT

Back to mark off Red Wharf Quarry leave to STARBOARD

Back to Benlleck mark. Leave to STARBOARD

Back to Moelfre mark. Leave to PORT

Then to FINISH line in Traeth Bychan

In exceptional circumstances a committee boat in the vicinity of the Moelfre mark flying I.C Flag S and No. 3 Pennant shall indicate that the marks off Red Wharf Bay Quarry and Benllech shall cease to be marks of the course and Catamarans should proceed from the Moelfre mark to the Finish line

16.2 **MONOHULL COURSE**

Start, as described in 14.0 above

To Puffin Sound, leave the Perch mark to STARBOARD and leave Light House to PORT.

Then to Mark off Red Wharf Bay Quarry leaving it to STARBOARD

Then to mark off Benllech leaving it to STARBOARD

Then to mark off Moelfre, leaving it to port.

Then to finish line in Traeth Bychan.

17.0 **FINISHING** The finishing line will be in Traeth Bychan bay. It shall be between the flagstaff , displaying an orange flag, on the Committee Boat, which shall be left to starboard, and an orange spherical buoy at the port end.

18.0 **THE SHORTEN COURSE FINISH LINE**

This will be a line between the mast displaying an Orange Flag and Code Flag S, aboard the finishing vessel and the finishing mark which is a Spherical Buoy, or a Mark intended as a mark of the course.

19.0 **TIME LIMIT** Any boat not finishing within 6 hrs of its start shall be deemed to have retired.

20.0 **PROTESTS**

20.1 **Protesting** boats shall notify the Committee Boat on the finish line of their intention to protest, within 10 minutes of their finish.

20.2 Protest forms shall be lodged with the Race Committee within 30 minutes of their declaration.

20.3 A minimum of 15 minutes notice will be given of the time and place of Protest Hearings which will be posted at the signing off station R.W.B.S.C.

21.0 **PATROL BOATS**

21.1 Priority will be given to safeguarding life. A Boat may be left at anchor and the crew moved to safety when possible. Helmsmen are advised to stay a reasonable distance from the shore. Patrol facilities will not be able to cover dinghies and catamarans taking long passages to seaward from the area of the course.

21.2 Competitors unable to complete the course and sign off ARE REQUESTED IN THE INTERESTS OF SAFETY to telephone 01248 853754 as soon as possible, so that all starters can be accounted for.

22 **PRIZE GIVING**

22.1 The prize giving shall be held at Red Wharf Bay Sailing & Watersports Club at Traeth Bychan following the event

22.2 Prizes will only be presented to winners who attend the prize giving on the race day.

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