



PENINSULAR SAILING CLUB SELANGOR

Club Racing Season 2016

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2016 – Issue 2

RULES

- 1.1** The race series will be governed by the rules as defined in the currently applicable Racing Rules of Sailing of the ISAF.
- 1.2** No national prescriptions will apply.
- 1.4** Racing rule(s) will be changed as follows:.
- 2 #** **NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**
Notice of Race will be sent to competitors via email during the week prior to the race and available on the Club web site. Potential competitors shall provide a working email address to be sent NORs and other notices.
- 3** **CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**
Any change to the NOR or these sailing instructions will be posted on the race notice board prior to the race.
- 4** **SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**
- 4.1** Signals made ashore will be displayed on a flagpole at the marina
- 4.2** When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes'.
- 4.3** The Race Officer may communicate with the race fleet via VHF prior to and during the racing, using channel 73. All participating boats shall carry a working VHF radio.
- 5** **SCHEDULE OF RACES**
- 5.1** The PSCS Annual Race 2016 series will consist of a minimum of 6 races. Scoring will use a Club TCR handicap system based on IRC ratings for boats with a valid certificate and Club allocated TCR where a boat does not possess a valid IRC certificate. The rating will run throughout the annual series but may be adjusted where applicable in the interests of fair racing.
- 5.2** The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day will be 13:30 hrs, or as designated in the NOR, which will take precedence.
- 5.3** Other races will be scheduled for participation and these will be scored separately from the Annual Series as detailed in the appropriate NOR. These will include offshore or distance races.
- 6** **CLASSES & CLASS FLAGS**
If sufficient one-design or separate class boats participate, then boats may be divided into separate class races. Class flag for keelboats will be a YELLOW flag, Class flag for one design class will use numerical pennant ONE unless otherwise stated on the Notice of Race. Subsequent classes' flags, if any, will be as designated in the NOR.
- 7** **RACING AREAS**
Races will take place in the river immediately up or downstream of the Pulau Indah marina, as well as the area south of Buas Buas. Chartlets of areas to be used will be available, but are not to be used for navigation.
- 8** **THE COURSES**
- 8.1** A list of courses used is given in a separate booklet. These courses may be amended or additional courses added as sailing & navigation conditions dictate. Any amendments/additions will be posted on the notice board prior to the racing.
- 8.2** The course number will be communicated to the participants via VHF prior to the warning signal, as well as being displayed on a board on the start boat when available.
- 9** **MARKS**
- 9.1** Marks consist of CLUB MARKS (danbuoys - Red, Yellow, Green) as well as Navigation BUOYS in the area of Buas Buas, as listed on the Course Book.
- 9.2** A missing mark may be replaced by a round pink buoy if the appropriate Club danbuoy is unavailable, and competitors notified by VHF.

10 THE START

- 10.1 Races will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.
- 10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an Orange flag at the starboard end and a Red danbuoy, or round pink buoy, at the port-end. The Starboard starting flag may be placed either on a Start Boat, or on the marina pontoon.
- 10.3 A "Clubhouse" start/finish line is designated as a line using the transits of the line of the trailing edges of the marina piles as shown on the course book, with the port end of the line being the southern shore of the river.
- 10.4 Where an inner distance mark is laid, boats shall not pass between the IDM and the starting vessel, or marina pontoon, during the starting sequence or when starting.
- 10.5 # Where more than one class is racing, boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 10.6 A boat starting later than 15 minutes after her class starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4.

11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position.

12 THE FINISH

- 12.1 The finishing line will be between either a Committee boat (RC) or the marina pontoon, and a laid RED mark as described below.
- 12.2 In order to facilitate fast turnaround of harbour races the Finish LINE is determined as follows:
- The RC boat will fly a **BLUE** flag when at the **STARBOARD** end of the finish line.
 - The RC boat will fly **BLUE over ORANGE** flags when at the **PORT** end of the finish line.
- 12.3 If the race committee is absent or asleep when a boat finishes, she should report her finishing time, and her position in relation to nearby boats, to the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 12.4 When an AP flag is flown on the finish boat it indicates that there will be another race planned. It will be taken down 1 minute before the next race first warning signal.

13 PENALTY SYSTEM

For all classes, rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

14 TIME LIMITS

Boats failing to finish within 150% of the elapsed time of the first boat to sail the course and finish, will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1 Protests are discouraged. Competitors are expected to resolve matters during the racing by taking the appropriate penalty if protested. However, if unresolved then protests and/or requests for redress shall be delivered to the Race Officer within the appropriate time limit.
- 15.2 The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 15.3 Hearings will be convened within 60 minutes of submission, by a jury consisting of the Race Officer and between 1 and 3 non racing sailors. Their decision shall be final, as provided in rule 70.5.
- 15.4 Breaches of instructions herein marked thus: # , 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.

16 SCORING

- 16.1 A minimum of 2 boats must start a race for the results of that race to be included in the series.
- 16.2 Scoring will be based on Low Point Scoring system with first place, after applying handicaps, awarded 1 point.

- 16.3 Tie breaks will be in accordance with ISAF Appendix A8.1 and A8.2.
16.4 For one design classes scoring will be based on finish position.
16.5 For other classes the boats their TCR (based on either current IRC or Club allocated TCR) will be used to calculate corrected times.
16.6 A boat must race and finish at least 6 races to be included in the series scoring.
16.7 One Discard will be made for each 6 qualifying series races held. (i.e. 6=1, 12=2, 18=3)

17 # SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 17.1 All boats shall carry safety equipment as listed in Appendix A
17.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee by VHF as soon as possible.

19 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

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

20 # EVENT ADVERTISING

Boats shall display event advertising, supplied by the organizing authority, at any time during the racing season.

21 # TRASH DISPOSAL

Trash may be placed aboard support or official boats. It shall not be thrown overboard.

22 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 22.1 The race committee will utilise VHF channel 73 for all race related communication. All boats shall carry a radio capable of transmitting and receiving that channel.
22.2 Except in an emergency, or when requested, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all other participating boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

23 PRIZES

Prizes will be given at the discretion of the organising authority.

24 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the club racing entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. Neither the organizing authority nor any race officials shall accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death or consequential losses sustained in conjunction with, or prior to, during, or after, any racing event.

25 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with sufficient valid third-party liability insurance.

Appendix A Safety equipment:

All boats shall be carry a minimum of the following:

- Anchor and rode sufficient to hold the boat fast during the strongest of ebb tides in the river area.
- Lifejackets suitable and sufficient for all crew on board the boat.
- 2 or more flares AND 2 or more smoke canisters.
- If fitted with AIS transponder then it shall be switched on and transmitting at all times whilst racing and preparing to race.
- Bucket or bailer or manual bilge pump sufficient to evacuate water from the boat.

Participants are reminded to also refer to the current courses booklet which may be periodically updated to accommodate additional courses.