

West Mersea Yacht Club keelboat Racing

Notice to Competitors

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Supplementary notes for using Event Virtual Protest Hearings

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Notice:

Protest Hearings at the event are intended to be conducted electronically preferably over Zoom.

Protests should be lodged with the Race Office by an electronic means, e mail, or directly through the racingrulesofsailing portal/app.

DIAGRAMS: are often vital to the resolution of a protest and as there is difficulty seeing "Models" and other aids, lodging a protest with a better diagram is useful.

Protestor, it is recommended that a diagram is submitted with the protest, this can be a photograph of a written diagram, photograph taken on a phone.

Protestee, you would have traditionally given your evidence (only) at the hearing but you might consider it expedient to lodge a statement of your case and a diagram, like that of the Protestor.

Hearing times should be given by e mail, from theracingrulesofsailing website or APP, so please check.

Protest Time limits should be posted for your information.

If a "Post Race Penalty" is accepted before a hearing an e mail needs to be forwarded to the Race Office before the hearing. This may be submitted through the jury links

If possible the ZOOM link will be in the schedule of hearings otherwise it will be sent by e mail.

You are responsible for supplying the information to enable the protest committee to

contact any witnesses, which, should be on the same electronic platform, and ensuring they are available at the time of the hearing.

Parties should ensure that neither any witnesses you intend to call nor any other persons are able to view or hear any of the proceedings except when they are invited in by the Protest Committee.

Hearings will be recorded, but subject to the Data Protection Act (Ireland GBPR). Parties should not record hearings without the express consent of all others.

Parties: Should provide telephone numbers for themselves and any witnesses to facilitate the correct sequencing of the entry of witnesses and re-invitation following the Protest Committee deliberations.

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