





Sailing Instructions

UKLA Noble Marine & Vaikobi ILCA 6, ILCA 7 Qualifier 1 12th/13th March 2022

Hosted by Stokes Bay Sailing Club
The Organising Authority (OA) is Stokes Bay SC in conjunction with the UKLA.

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a)

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing
- 1.2 RRS Appendix T, Arbitration, will apply.
- 1.3 Boats shall comply with the ILCA Class Rules. [DP]
- 1.4 RRS Appendix P, Special Procedures for RRS 42, will apply
- 1.5 Where there is a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail. (This changes RRS63.7).
- 1.6 The following Rules have been changed Appendix A 5.1, A5.2, A10, RRS 30.4, 33, 35, 61.1b, 62.1a, 62.2, 63.1, 63.7

2. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted not less than 30 minutes before flag D is displayed., except that, changes to the schedule of races will be posted before 19.00 on the day before it will take effect.

3. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITOR

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board, which is online at Racing Rules of Sailing
- 3.2 The race office is located at race.office@ilca.uk
- 3.3 [DP] While racing from the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.
- 3.4 Please join the Competitor WhatsApp group.
- 3.5 The competitor briefing will be at 10:00am on Saturday 12th March. This briefing may be online. Competitors will be advised via the WhatsApp group of a location.

4 CODE OF CONDUCT

- 4.1 Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Failure to comply may be misconduct. Reasonable actions by event officials to implement COVID-19 guidance protocols or legislation, even if they later prove to be unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions. [DP]
- 4.2 Competitors and support persons shall place advertising provided by the organising authority with care, seamanship, in accordance with any instructions for its use and without interfering with its functionality.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole on top of the clubhouse.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes'.



Flag D with one sound means 'The warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes' after flag D is displayed. **Boats shall not leave the slipway until the signal is made [DP]**

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is;

Date	Class	Time of first warning signal (not before)	Races per day scheduled	Races per day Maximum
12/3/22	All Classes	1155	3	4
13/3/22	All classes	1025	3	4

- 6.2 The ILCA 6 fleet may be divided into two fleets and will sail a series of up to six races in accordance with the ILCA Qualifying Series Formats appended to these sailing instructions. Appendix B
- 6.3 Each day succeeding races will be started as soon as practicable after the finish of the previous race
- 6.4 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before the first warning signal is made.
- 6.5 On the last scheduled day of racing, no warning signal will be made after 1500. If starting multiple fleets, this time deadline will be amended to allow subsequent starts of the same race later than this deadline."

7 CLASS FLAGS

The class flags for each class will be as follows:

Fleets	Class Flag	Intended Start sequence. (May change)
ILCA 7	ILCA _{TM}	First Start
ILCA 6	HCA _{TM}	Second start
ILCA 6 / Flight one (No Band)		Second start
ILCA 6 / Flight two		Third start

8 RACING AREAS

The intended racing area will be within 3 nautical miles of Stokes Bay Clubhouse



9 COURSES

- 9.1 The diagrams in SI Appendix A show the course options to be sailed with the order in which the marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 9.2 The course and number of laps to be sailed will be displayed on the Committee Boat.
- 9.3 The approximate bearing of mark 1 may be displayed on the Committee Boat.
- 9.4 If a gate is replaced by a single mark, it is to be left to port.

10 MARKS

- 10.1 Marks 1, 2, 3s, 3p, 4s and 4p, 5 will be yellow or orange buoys
- 10.2 The starting mark will be either an official vessel displaying an orange flag or the course side of a dan buoy displaying an orange flag.
- 10.3 The finishing mark will be either an official vessel displaying a blue flag or on the course side of dan buoy displaying a blue flag.

11 OBSTRUCTIONS

11.1 Boats shall keep more than 100 metres away from vessels over 100 metres in length, vessels at anchor or vessels displaying Flag A (indicating divers in the water). These areas are obstructions as defined in the Rules.

12 THE START

- 12.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26 with the warning signal made five minutes before the starting signal.
- 12.2 The starting line will be between a staff on the race committee signal vessel displaying an orange flag and the starting mark.
- 12.3 A boat that does not start within four minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.
- 12.4 Rule 30.4 (Black flag rule) is amended as follows.

 At the sole discretion of the Race committee, they may display the last four numbers of the sail number, for brevity provided there is no ambiguity.
- 12.5 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall remain a minimum of 100 metres from the start line during the start sequence of the previous fleets [DP]

13 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- **13.1** To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark.
- **13.2** Minor mark moves, up to approximately 100m in any direction, may be made without signalling the change. This changes RRS 33.

14 THE FINISH

- 14.1 The finishing line will be between a mast displaying blue flag on the race committee signal vessel and the finishing mark.
- 14.2 The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalised, or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. A boat scored TLE shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the points scored by the last boat that finished within the Finishing Window. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.
- 14.3 The race committee may score boats based on their relative positions at a mark of the course or on a leg of the course as follows:
 - 14.3.1 When an official boat displays flag W with two sounds, boats still racing may be scored as their observed position on the race course.
 - 14.3.2 When a boat is scored in accordance with this instruction, she shall be given a score for a place after all boats that have sailed the course and finished. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

15 PENALTY SYSTEM



- 15.1 RRS Appendix P will apply with the following changes. The penalty under RRS P2.2 is changed so that it will apply to any penalty after the first one. RRS P2.3 will not apply.
- 15.2 To encourage boats to take a penalty afloat, jury members may blow a whistle when they see what they believe to be a breach of a rule.

16 TIME LIMITS

16.1 The time limits and target times are as follows:

Time limit	Mark 1 time limit	Target time	Finishing Window
70 minutes	20 minutes	45 minutes	20 minutes

16.2 If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

17 HEARING REQUESTS

- 17.1 In addition to RRS 61.1(a) a boat intending to protest should notify the finish boat immediately upon finishing the race or retiring and await acknowledgement.
- 17.2 Protests/Redress shall be lodged online via the online Jury system located at Racingrulesofsailing.org
 Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit
 using the online form available <u>Protest form</u>
- 17.3 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or after flag AP over A is displayed ashore.
- 17.4 The hearings may be heard via video call (Zoom) unless otherwise advised or scheduled by the protest committee. All links will be sent via email if required.
- 17.5 A Hearing Schedule will be posted on the Official Notice Board as soon as possible after a protest has been lodged, but not later than 30 minutes after the end of Protest Time to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Protests will be heard in the order specified on the Hearing Schedule. Parties and witnesses are required to be available via video at the time stated on the Hearing Schedule. It is the responsibility of each party to ensure their witnesses are available at the time of the video call. Hearings will be held online using video links, further instructions are available on the Official Notice Board.
- 17.6 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b) hearings.
- 17.7 A list of boats that have been penalised for breaking RRS 42 will be posted On the water penalties
- 17.8 On the last scheduled day of racing, a request for redress based on a PC decision shall be delivered no later than 20 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.

18 SCORING

- 18.1 As per NOR 15
- 18.2 A competitor may submit a request to review a boat's score online at scoring queries

19 SAFETY REGULATIONS [DP]

- 19.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the committee boat as soon as possible. A declaration form is available online which must be completed by competitors when ashore through this link <u>Penalty Reports</u>
- 19.2 A safety tally system will be in operation.
 - 19.2.1 The tally control point will be on the hard standing area between the building and the beach.
 - 19.2.2 Competitor's shall individually tally-out before racing by personally going to the tally control point and giving their name to the tally person and advise they are going racing.
 - 19.2.3 Competitors shall individually tally-in immediately on returning to shore by personally going to the tally control point and giving their tally number to advise they are ashore. This must be done no later than 10 minutes after the last boat has come ashore.
 - 19.2.4 The penalty for failing to tally-out or tally-in as instructed above will be five points added to the boat's series score for each offence. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.



- 19.2.5 Boats who tally-out but have not registered in the event as instructed in the NOR [9.1] will have five points added to the boat's series score. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5
- 19.3 RRS 40.1 always applies on the water.
- 19.4 Boats wishing to sail ashore before the end of the day's racing shall not do so unless authorised by an official boat. The official boat will instruct boats in the procedure for returning ashore.
- 19.5 Boats shall follow the instructions of the official boats. Infringements will be reported to the race committee, which may protest the boat. [DP]

20 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 20.1 Equipment protests will only be accepted from the Technical committee, race committee or jury. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 20.2 Requests for substitution of equipment shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

 A Competitor may submit a request online at <u>Equipment substitution</u>

21 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 or ashore, a boat can be instructed by an equipment inspector to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection. A boat shall comply with any reasonable request made by an Equipment Inspector. [DP].

22 SUPPLIED BOATS

NA

23 OFFICIAL VESSELS

- 23.1 Official vessels are defined as Race committee signal vessel, Mark Layers, Safety Boats.
- 23.2 Safety boats may carry competitors drinks, snacks, or spares, at the discretion of the driver/crew of the safety boat. Do not leave any bags on the committee or finish boat

24 SUPPORT BOATS [DP]

24.1 See NOR 16

25 TRASH DISPOSAL

25.1 Trash may be placed aboard Official vessels

26 BERTHING

26.1 Boats shall be kept in their assigned places whilst in the boat park.

27 HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS

NA

28 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

NA



29 PRIZES

29.1 Prizes will be awarded in the following categories

Class	Age	1st	2nd	3rd
ILCA 6		*	*	*
ILCA 6	Female Overall	*		
ILCA 6	Male Master	*		
ILCA 6	Female Master	*		
ILCA 6	Female U21	*		
ILCA 6	Female U19	*		
ILCA 6	Female U17	*		
ILCA 6	Male U19	*		
ILCA 6	Male U17	*		
ILCA 7		*	*	*
ILCA 7	Male Master	*		
ILCA 7	U21	*		
ILCA 7	U19	*		

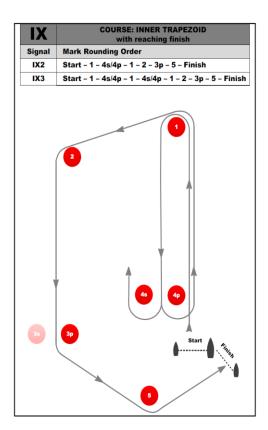
29.2 Prizes will be presented after the event

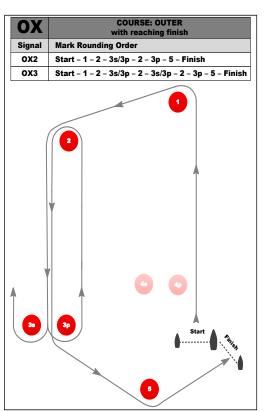
30 RISK STATEMENT AND DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY See NOR 22

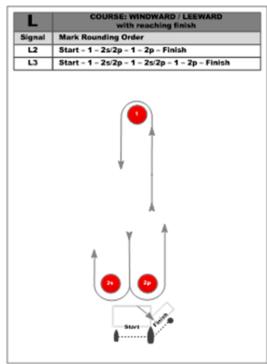
31 INSURANCE See NOR 23.



APPENDIX A - THE COURSE DIAGRAMS







Appendix B

International Laser Class Association Qualifying and Final Series Formats

1. Introduction

1.1 This addendum applies if boats are divided into fleets to sail a series.

2. Series

- 2.1 For the series boats that have completed registration will be assigned to fleets of, as near as possible, equal size and ability.
- 2.2 Initial assignments will be made by a seeding committee appointed by the organizing authority and will be posted by 0900 on the last day of registration.
- In the series boats will be reassigned to fleets after each day of racing, except if on the first day only one race is completed. If all fleets have completed the same number of races, boats will be reassigned on the basis of their ranks in the series. If all fleets have not completed the same number of races the series scores for reassignment will be calculated for those races, numbered in order of completion, completed by all fleets.
- 2.5 Reassignments will be made as follows: Two fleet format

Rank in series	Fleet
	assignment
1	1
2	2
3	2
4	1
5	1
6	2
7	2
8	1
9	1
And so on	And so on

- 2.6 Reassignments will be based on the ranking available at 1900 that day regardless of protests or requests for redress not yet decided.
- 2.7 A series race will not count until all series fleets have completed that race.
- 2.8 The fleets will be reflighted each evening, based upon the completed races. The series will end after the final race is finished on 13th March irrespective of the number of races completed.
- 2.9 If at the end of the series some qualifying series fleets have more race scores than others, any extra races will be abandoned so that all boats in the qualifying series have the same number of race scores.

END OF SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

