



# SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2020 SB20 UK Sprint Championship  
Thursday 17th September

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Organised by the Royal Southern Yacht Club in association with  
the UK SB20 Class Association.

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Competitors must at all times comply with the COVID-19 advice and guidelines from the Government and the RYA. Please read the following link: <https://www.rya.org.uk/SiteCollectionDocuments/clubs/RYA%20Sailing%20%26%20Racing%20in%20Mixed%20Households.pdf>

The Class has appointed a Class COVID Co-ordinator. Any questions should be sent to [office@SB20.org.uk](mailto:office@SB20.org.uk). Please include a Mobile telephone number.

The OA and the Class are of the opinion that 3 sailors from different households will not be able to adhere to the RYA guidance if using the normal SB20 sailing positions and we therefore issue the following SB20 specific guidance for this event which should be read alongside the RYA guidance;

1. If all three sailors are sat on the same deck then the front crew member's backside must be forward of an invisible line created by extending the line of the traveller track to the gunwales (we will call this the traveller line).
2. If all three sailors are sat on the same deck then the helm should never sit further forward than astride the traveller line.
3. All sailors should ensure they maintain at least 0.5m distance from each other
4. In the interest of fairness sailors from the same household are asked to follow the same guidance as sailors from different households

**Obvious breaches may lead to DNE scores for the races involved.**

In accordance with RRS 87 the SB20 Class association has sanctioned Rules changes to enable compliance with Covid-19 guidance. See ONB for details.

The WhatsApp link is <http://chat.whatsapp.com/L8Yk661RW7oF4uJWVxOr29>.

**There will be no formal social events, however the club bar and restaurant will be open as described in the Event Information document.**

## 1 RULES

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the SB20 Class Rules, the Sailing Instructions (SI) and the Notice of Race (NoR). In the case of conflict, the SI will prevail over the NoR which will prevail over the Class Rules which will prevail over the RRS.
- 1.2 The RC may shorten or abandon a race due to major wind shifts or irregular winds. This changes RRS 32.1

## 2 NOTICES to COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board (ONB) located on the Yachtscoreing event page: [https://yachtscoreing.com/notice\\_board\\_summary.cfm?eid=13163](https://yachtscoreing.com/notice_board_summary.cfm?eid=13163).
- 2.2 Safety and other information when afloat will be broadcast on VHF Channel 77 from the Committee Vessel, call sign Royal Southern Race Control.
- 2.3 The failure of any broadcast will not be grounds for redress.

## 3 CHANGES to SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 1200 on the day it will take effect.

## 4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the Club flagstaff at the Royal Southern YC.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 90 minutes" in the race signal AP.
- 4.3 When flag "Y" is displayed ashore and/or on the Committee Vessel, RRS 40 applies at all times while afloat. This changes RRS Part 4 preamble.

## 5 SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Six races are scheduled.

DATE	ACTIVITY	TIME	LOCATION
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- 5.2 The warning signal for the next race will be made as soon as possible after the end of the previous race.

## 6 CLASS FLAG

The class flag NP 2 will be used by the Committee Vessel for the event, however competitors will not be required to fly a class flag.

## 7 RACE AREA

The race area will be in the Central Solent in the region of the Hill Head Plateau.

## 8 COURSES

- 8.1 A short windward/leeward courses using laid inflatable marks.
- 8.2 The course layout is shown in Appendix 1.

## 9 THE START

- 9.1 Races will be started using a “3 – 2 – 1 – GO” sequence – this amends RRS 26.

TIME	SIGNAL	MEANING
3 Minute	NP2 up—1 sound	Warning signal
2 Minute	Preparatory up—1 sound	Preparatory
1 Minute	Preparatory down—1 long sound	Preparatory down
0 Minute	NP 2 removed—1 sound	Start

- 9.2 The Orange Flag on the main Committee Vessel will be raised 1 minute prior to a warning signal.
- 9.3 Boats starting 3 minutes after her starting signal shall be scored DNS without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.
- 9.4 The start line will be between an orange coloured staff flying an orange flag on the main Committee Vessel and either an orange buoy with an orange flag or an anchored boat displaying an orange flag on a staff at the pin end.

## 10 RECALLS and CHANGES TO U FLAG and BLACK FLAG RULES

- 10.1 Sail numbers of individually recalled boats may be hailed or displayed from the Committee Vessel and/or broadcast on VHF as soon as practical after the Starting Signal. Failure to hail or broadcast sail numbers shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 10.2 Rule 30.3 (U Flag Rule) and 30.4 (Black Flag Rule) are changed in that the sail numbers of defaulting boats may be displayed from the Committee Vessel. . Failure to hail or broadcast sail numbers shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

## 11 THE FINISH

The finish line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the Committee Vessel and a nearby inflatable buoy.

## 12 PENALTY SYSTEM

Rule 44.1 & P2.1 are changed so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe is required.

## 13 TIME LIMIT

- 13.1 The target time for each race is 20 minutes. Failure to meet the target time shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 60.1(b) and 62.1(a)
- 13.2 Boats failing to finish 10 minutes after the first valid finisher shall be scored DNF.
- 13.3 The time limit per race is 30 minutes.

## 14 PROTESTS

- 14.1 Boats wishing to protest should in addition to satisfying the requirements of RRS 61, radio their intentions to the Race Officer on completion of the race concerned, giving the name or sail number of the boat they intend to protest and await an acknowledgement.
- 14.2 Protest forms will be available from the RSrNYC Sailing Office.
- 14.3 Protests must be delivered to the Race Office within 90 minutes of the last boat finishing the last race of the day or 90 minutes from the announcement by the committee boat on VHF that there will be no more racing that day, whichever is later. This time will be posted on the ONB and the Whatsapp group. In exceptional circumstances this time may be varied by the Protest Committee.

## 15 SCORING

- 15.1 A minimum of one race shall be completed to constitute the championship.
- 15.2 When fewer than 3 races have been completed, no score shall be excluded.
- 15.3 When 3 to 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## 16 PRIZE GIVING

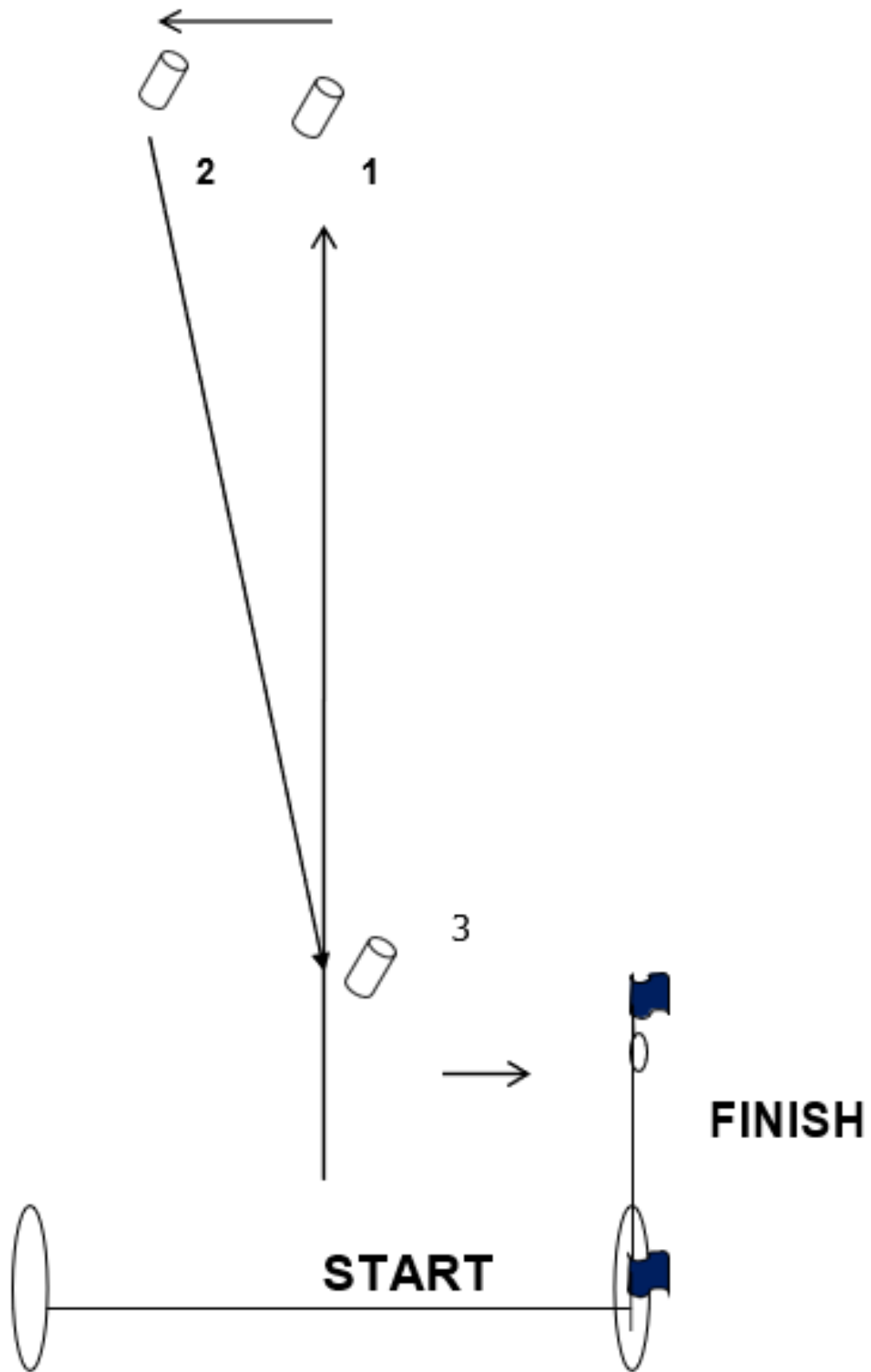
Prize giving will take place virtually and combined with the Land Union September Regatta prize giving, which will be a video posted to Facebook following the event.

## 17 RISK STATEMENT

Attention is drawn to the Risk Statement in section 19 of the Notice of Race.

# APPENDIX 1: THE COURSE

Course Illustration and mark rounding in order—not to scale.



Start --1 -- 2 -- 3 -- Finish