



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS **Shanahan Cup**

Gonzaga College and the
Irish National Sailing & Powerboat School

Schools Team Racing

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of sailing including appendix D, the Notice of Race, these Sailing Instructions, and the prescriptions of Irish Sailing.
- 1.2 When registering, each team will designate a Person in Charge. This person shall be over 18 years of age on the day of the competition and shall be available (either in person or by phone) at all times when competitors are on the water or ashore at the event venue.
- 1.3 Rule D1.1(d) (room to tack – arm signals) is deleted.
- 1.4 A boat that is capsized at or capsizes after her preparatory signal shall retire immediately. A boat is capsized when both her gunwales are touching the water. (This changes Rule 22).
- 1.5 Personal flotation devices shall be worn at all times when afloat. Wet and dry suits are not personal flotation devices. (This changes Rule 40).

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors shall be posted on the official notice board in INSS.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Amendments to the Sailing Instructions will be posted at least 15 minutes before the start of any race affected.
- 3.2 Oral instructions may be given on the water by The Race Committee and/or Umpires prior to the warning signal.

4 BOATS

- 4.1 For each race, the Race Committee will allocate Red, Yellow or Blue dinghies to the participating teams. The boats will be colour coded as advised at the competitors briefing.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed in the INSS.

6 FORMAT OF RACING

6.1 The format of the racing will comprise round robin or robins depending on the number of teams entered. Knock out semi-finals and final rounds may be sailed if weather permits. The format will be clarified at the briefing, but may be changed by the Race Committee to achieve a fair result.

7 SCHEDULE

7.1 Racing will take place on Wednesday 8th February 2023.

7.1 Competitors briefing at 9.45hrs.

7.2 First warning signal will be at 11.00hrs.

8 RACING AREA

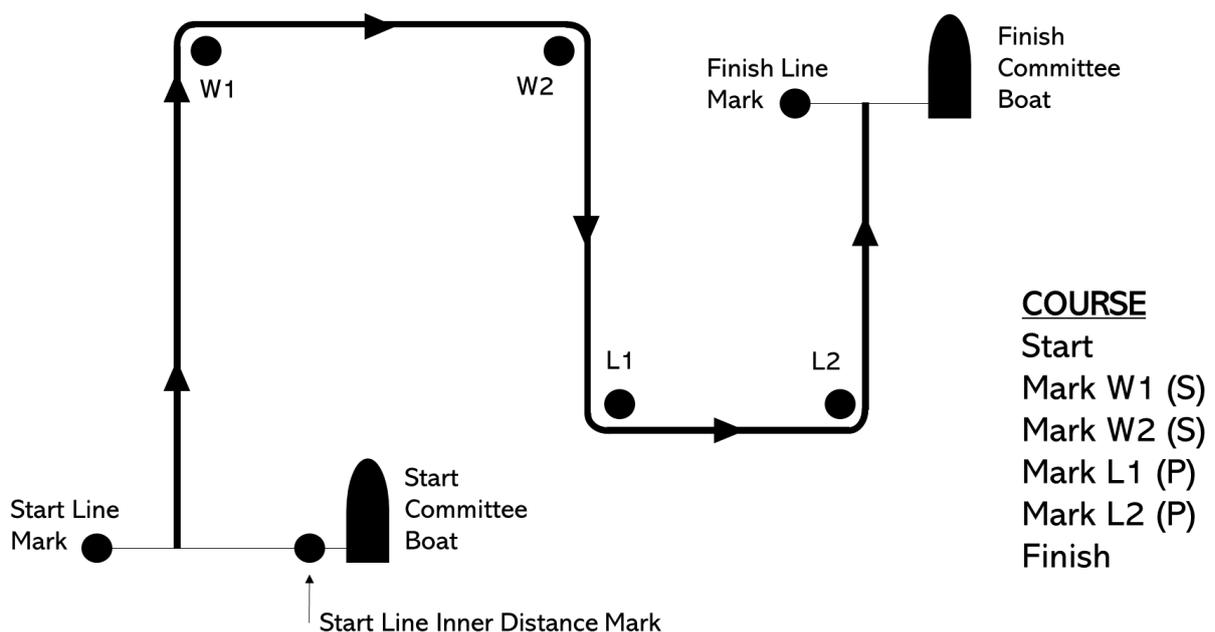
8.1 The racing area will be within Dun Laoghaire Harbour. Location to be advised at competitors briefing.

9 COURSES

9.1 The course will be a starboard 'S' course.

9.2 The Race Committee may move marks of the course at any time. Rule 33 will not apply. The moving of a mark by the Race Committee will not be grounds for redress.

COURSE DIAGRAM



10 MARKS

10.1 Description of the marks will be given at the Competitors Briefing

11 BREAKDOWNS

- 11.1 Competitors shall inspect a boat before taking charge of a boat.
- 11.2. Competitors shall report and defects, damage, or breakdowns to the Race Committee at the first available opportunity.
- 11.3. When to continue racing after damage reasonably risks further damage to a boat, she shall retire immediately. The Race Committee will decide redress in accordance with Rule D5.
- 11.4. The Race Committee may postpone a resail indefinitely and shall score each team half a race win unless the result is relevant to progress to the next round.
- 11.5. Sailing with four boats due to a breakdown 'Two on two, last boat loses.' In the case of a breakdown that is through no fault of either teams about to race, and signalled before the preparatory signal of the race, the Race Committee may decide to sail a race with only 2 boats per team. The Race Committees decision will be communicated to teams either verbally ashore or by the race umpires. Each team captain shall decide which two boats will sail. The crew of the broken down boat may switch to another team boat and race.
- 11.6. When the Race Committee decides to run a 2 boat per team race, D.3.3 is modified to read 'the team with the lower points wins the race. If the totals are equal, the team that did not have last place wins.'
- 11.7. When the Race Committee decides to run a 2 boat per team race, and when D.4.4 (b) or (d) apply, the boats that did not race will be considered to have scored points equal to 5th place.
- 11.8. In the event of a team arriving with only 4 competitors, all races for that team will be 'two on two, last boat loses' as per 11.5.

12. THE START

- 12.1 Rule 26, starting races will not apply.
- 12.2 A series of short sounds will be made prior to the first warning signal of a starting sequence.
- 12.3 Visual signals may not be made. The starting sequence will be:
- Three long sound signals at 3 mins.
 - Two long sound signals at 2 mins.
 - One long sound signal at 1 min.
 - Three short sound signals at 30 secs.
 - One long sound signal at the start.

If visual signals are to be provided- information will be provided at Competitors Briefing.

- 12.4 Times shall be taken from the beginning of each sound signal.
- 12.5 The race number may be displayed or advised from the Start boat before the preparatory signal.
- 12.6 The starting line will be between a staff on the start boat and the starting mark.
- 12.7 An inner limit may be laid adjacent to the start boat. No boat may pass between this mark and the start boat.
- 12.8 A boat shall not start more than two minutes after her starting signal.
- 12.9 When at a boat's starting signal, any part of her hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line, the Race Committee shall promptly display flag X with one sound signal and may hail the sail number of the premature starters. The flag shall be displayed until all such boats are completely on the pre-start side of the starting line or its extensions, but not later than the starting signal. Failure to hail or failure of a boat to hear the hailed number shall not be grounds for redress. This changes Rules 29.1 and 62.1(a).

13 THE FINISH

- 13.1 The finish line shall be between the finish boat observer and a finish mark.

14 ABANDONING A RACE

- 14.1 The Race Committee may abandon a race for any reason. Abandonment(s) may be advised orally by the umpires of that race. This changes Rule 32 and Race Signals.

15 TIME LIMIT

- 15.1 The time limit for each race shall be 20 minutes. Boats that fail to finish within 5 minutes after the first boat will be scored DNF. This amends RRS 35 and A5.

16 CONTINUITY AND TERMINATION RESPONSIBILITY

- 16.1 The handover of boats between competitors shall be completed without delay.
- 16.2 A boat shall remain the responsibility of the team until handed over to a Race Committee representative or the next team to use the boat. Any defects shall be reported to a Race committee representative at handover.

17 UMPIRING AND PROTESTS

- 17.1 Races will be umpired and RRS D2 applies.
- 17.2 The Race Committee may hear Protests on the water. They may refuse to hear a Protest or Request for Redress unless its outcome is relevant to progress to the next round of the competition. This changes Rule 63.1.

17.3 Breaches of SI 16 or 19 will not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification.

18 OFFICIAL BOATS

18.1 Official boats will be identified at the Competitors briefing.

19 COACH BOATS

19.1 Coach boats will not be allowed on the race course during racing.

20 RIGHT OF USE OF NAMES AND LIKENESS

20.1 Competitors automatically grant the Organising authority without payment, the right in perpetuity to make, use, and show any text, motion pictures, video and still pictures relating to the event.

21 PRIZES

21.1 The Shanahan Perpetual Trophy shall be awarded to the winning team. The winner shall engrave the trophy as follows: year/ team. The trophy shall be returned to Kenny Rumball before 1st October 2023.

22 DISCLAIMER OF RESPONSIBILITY

22.1 It is the sole responsibility of the person in charge of each team to decide if that team should race in the prevailing conditions or not. It is the sole responsibility of the person in charge of each boat to decide if that boat should race or continue to race.

22.2 Competitors compete in the event entirely at their own risk- see Rule 4 decision to race. The Organising Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the event. The Organising Authority encompasses everyone helping to run the event.

23 CODE OF CONDUCT

23.1 Competitors shall comply with any reasonable request from any official, including attendance at official functions, co-operation with event sponsors and shall not behave so as to bring the event into disrepute.

23.2 Competitors shall handle the boats and equipment with proper care and seamanship.

23.3 The penalty for breaking instructions 23.1 and 23.2 is at the discretion of the Protest Committee and may include exclusion from further participation in the event, the withdrawal of any prize or the withholding of deposits.