



## AMENDMENT TO NOTICE OF RACE AND SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

This amends Sections 8 (Classes & Handicap), 11 (Starting & Classes), 13 (Scoring) and 14 (Prizes) of the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions to read as follows:

### 8. Classes & Handicap

8.1 For the purposes of this event a **Class** of boats shall be considered as **three or more single-handed boats of the same design AND same sail size** (Examples of different single-handed classes include Optimists, Topper 4.2, Topper 5.3, ILCA 4, ILCA 6 etc.), or **two or more boats of the same design AND same sails (number & type) sailed by more than one person.**

8.2 Every class of boat is subject to its class rules.

8.3 For Optimists, the IODA Class Rules apply meaning that the class is restricted to Fibreglass or Wood Optimists. Plastic training boats are NOT permitted to race.

8.4 **Handicap** Class: Any boats not forming a class shall compete against each other in a Handicap Class as per ratings indicated below. A minimum of three boats are needed to form this class.

8.5 The following PY ratings, as extracted from the RYA Portsmouth Yardstick Scheme Current Base List, Limited Data List and also Approximations from other sources when official numbers are not available, shall apply:

Boat	PY	Boat	PY
Laser Standard	1100	Laser 4000	917
RS Vision	1137	Topaz Omega	1075
RS Vision - No spi	1144	Topaz Race X (spi)	1170
Laser Radial	1147	Topaz Race + (jib)	1186
Laser 4.7	1208	Topaz Race(Mylar)	1190
RS Feva XL	1244	Topaz Duo (+ jib)	1190
RS Feva - No spi	1280	Topaz Uno (no jib)	1251
Topper 5.3	1365	Pico2 (2 pers + jib)	1265
Topper 4.2	1409	Pico (1 pers no jib)	1300
Optimist	1642	Laser 16	N/A

8.6 Any requests for rating corrections, and/or any requests for a boat from a class other than the above to race, shall be made one week prior to the start of the race and the decision will be up to the discretion of the Race Committee.



## 11 Starting

11.1 The Start/Finish line will be formed by a flag staff displaying an Orange flag on a boat and a buoy moored to the port side of the boat, unless otherwise stated in the Briefing.

11.2 All boats shall start together.

11.3 In accordance with rule 26, the Starting Signals shall be as follows:

Minutes before starting signal	Visual signal	Sound signal	Meaning
5	Topper Flag raised	One	Warning signal
4	P / I / U / Black Flag raised	One	Preparatory signal
1	P / I / U / Black Flag lowered	One long	One minute signal
0	Topper Flag lowered	One	Starting signal

11.4 The utilisation of the Papa or India or Uniform or Black Flag shall be at the discretion of the Race Committee.

11.5 Boats that fail to cross the Start Line within 4 minutes of their Starting Signal shall be deemed DNS.

11.6 Boats whose Corrected Time, or projected Corrected Time, is greater than 25% of the Corrected Time of the Line Honours vessel of their class shall be deemed DNF.

11.7 In accordance with Rule 35, any race not completed during the time limit shall be abandoned, such time limit, if applicable, will be announced during the pre-race briefing to account for weather conditions.



## 13 Scoring

13.1 Scoring will be calculated following the low Points system as detailed in Appendix A of the Racing Rules 2021-2024.

13.1 A minimum of one race must be sailed to constitute a series.

13.2 After one to three races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

13.3 After four or more races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst result.

## 14 Prizes

14.1 If a class of single-handed boats contains three boats, first place will be awarded. If a class of single-handed boats contains four boats, first and second place will be awarded and if a class of single-handed boats contains five or more boats, then first, second and third place will be awarded.

14.2 If a class of boats crewed by more than one person contains two or more boats, first place will be awarded to the boat with the fewest points.

14.3 Apart from prizes within classes, all boats in all classes will also be racing against each other on Handicap. First, second and third prizes will be awarded to the first three boats on corrected time from all the fleet.

14.4 The prize-giving will be held in another social event at a subsequent date which will be communicated later.