



EMSWORTH SLIPPER SAILING CLUB

The Quay Mill, South Street, Emsworth, Hants PO10 7EQ

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

for the

Joint ESSC / ESC Junior Regatta

Saturday 8th July 2017

1st Start, 1130

Sign on from 0930

Briefing 1030

High Water 1208, Height 4.4m

Honorary Membership is extended to all Open Meeting competitors and their families for the day.

Food will be provided for all Regatta sailors after racing at the clubhouse.

Sailors families may purchase from the Galley and Club Bar at the advertised prices

Commodore: Sarah Thorsby

Race Officers: David Valentine / Stewart Coles

Event Organiser: Vicky Brindley

1. RULES

In the event of a conflict with the Notice of the Race, these Sailing Instructions shall prevail.

2. NOTICE BOARD & NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on either clubs dinghy notice board.

3. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes to these instructions will be posted at least one hour before the start of racing.

4. SCHEDULE OF RACES / WARNING SIGNALS

The schedule of races and warning signals are as per the Notice of Race.

5. RACING AREA

Courses will be laid in the vicinity of either Little Deep (Oppies/Optimists and RS Teras) or Sweare Deep (General Handicap and RS Fevas) as indicated on the chart attached to these instructions. Alternative courses may be laid dependent upon wind conditions.

6. MARKS

Marks shall be orange inflatable buoys, each marked with a letter.

7. THE COURSE

The course and the number of rounds will be indicated on a board on the committee boat before the warning signal.

- 7.1 COURSE A – Round marks in order WXYZ (Little Deep) or ABCD (Sweare Deep) x no. of rounds Finish Line. i.e 3 laps would be marked as A3 on a board displayed on the Committee Boat
COURSE B – Round marks in order WXYXYZ or ABCBCD (x no. of rounds) Finish Line
COURSE C – Round marks in order WXZ or ABD (x no. of rounds) Finish Line.

- 7.2 The direction in which marks shall be rounded shall be indicated by:

RED FLAG	all marks to PORT
GREEN FLAG	all marks to STARBOARD

8. THE STARTING LINE

The Starting Line lies between a mast on the committee boat bearing an orange flag and an outer distance mark with an orange flag. An inner distance mark may also be laid. A boat shall not start later than 3 minutes after her starting signal.

9. THE FINISHING LINE

The finishing line will be between the mast of the committee boat flying a blue flag and an outer distance mark flying an orange flag.

10. MARK BOATS

There will be no "mark boats", however, where possible, patrol boats will be stationed close to some marks.

11. CHANGES OF COURSE AFTER THE START

No adjustments to the course will be made for wind shifts after a race has started.

12. SHORTENED COURSE (*amending RR32.2*)

A patrol boat will position itself at a mark of the course, with flag 'S'. A sound signal may be made. Competitors shall round that mark in the designated direction and proceed directly to the finish line, crossing the line in the direction from the last mark.

13. DECLARATIONS & TALLY BANDS (Signing ashore)

Competitors are required to sign a declaration and return their tally bands immediately on coming ashore at the club they launched from and in any event no later than 30 minutes on reaching the club. Failure to do so may result in disqualification from all races.

14. TIME LIMITS (amending RR35)

The time limit will be 40 minutes for the first boat to finish each race. Boats failing to finish within 10 minutes after the first boat finishes or within the time limit, whichever is the later, will be scored "Did Not Finish".

15. PROTESTS & RETIREMENTS

Retirements shall be reported to the Committee or patrol boat at the first opportunity. Failure to do so may result in a competitor being given points for a non-starter. Competitors must inform a patrol or committee boat if they intend leaving the course area before racing has finished.

15.1 Protests shall be written on forms available from the Club House and lodged as soon as possible and in any event within 30 minutes of the last boat coming ashore.

15.2 Protest Hearings will take place as soon as possible after the protest has been lodged.

16. SCORING SYSTEM

The low point scoring system, rule A2, will apply. Up to 5 races are scheduled. If three or less races are held, all results are to count. If four or more races take place, the worst result is to be discarded.

COURSE CONFIGURATION

