

Dublin Bay Sailing Club



2020 Sailing Instructions – B

Red and Blue Fleets-Committee Boat Starts-Thursday and Saturday

See also “Racing program keelboats” for Fleets Starting at Committee Boat on Saturdays

These Sailing instructions should be read in conjunction with the General sailing instructions also issued to competitors

B1. The Start

1.1 The starting line will be between the red and white staff or the main mast of the committee vessel displaying the club burgee and the appropriate fleet pennant (Red or Blue) at the starboard end of the line and the port end starting mark or a rib displaying an orange flag.

1.2 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.

1.3 A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS A3 and A5.

1.4 In addition to RRS29.1 the Race Committee may, no less than one minute after the start, broadcast individual OCS boats by sail number by VHF. Failure to do so or the order of the broadcast will not be grounds for a request for redress. (amends RRS 62.1(a)).

1.5 The Race Committee may, no later than three minutes before the start of any class, adjust the starting line by moving either end. (Amends RRS 27.1).

B2. The Course

The course will be sailed around fixed marks as shown on the chart “DBSC Racing Marks” for the appropriate year. The approximate positions are given in the “Yacht Racing Marks - Bearings” table for the appropriate year.

Note: Red fleet on Thursdays, Zebra (Z) will be a temporary mark laid only when required. It will be laid in the approx. position given in the “Yacht Racing marks – bearings” table for the appropriate year. This mark will be an DBSC orange inflatable mark and might not display the mark name or letter.

2.1 Red Fleets shall use the appropriate red fleet course card.

2.2 Blue Fleets Shall use the appropriate blue fleet course card.

2.2a On Saturdays where the Blue fleet is scheduled to start at the hut, CR 0 and CR 1, shall start with the Red Fleet at MacLir and use Saturday Red fleet MacLir Starts, Course card 1.

2.3 All Marks to be Rounded or passed in the order as shown on Course card.

2.4 Marks in Red to be rounded to Port and Marks in Green to be rounded to Starboard.

2.5 A Letter A-R and a numeral to indicate the course to be sailed as per the appropriate course card will be displayed at least 3 minutes before that starting signal for the class. (Amends RRS 27.1).

2.6 For Cruiser 5 class with split divisions designated by the class numeral followed by an (a) or (b) (i.e. CR5a and CR5b) separate course numerals may be displayed. The numeral preceded by the course letter will indicate the course for boats sailing in the (a) division and the second and succeeding numeral indicates the course to be sailed by the (b) division. Should only one numeral be displayed all divisions shall sail the same course.

B3 Platonic Courses

3.1 The display of letters (plus a numeral for any additional round) will signal that platonic course(s) shall be sailed. A red flag will indicate that these marks are to be rounded to port and a green flag to starboard.

3.2 Finish will be as described in B5.

B4 Shortening the Course

4.1 **Thursday Committee boat finishes** : If a Race Committee boat is positioned at a mark and displaying Flag V and a class Flag with sound signals, boats in that class should, having rounded that mark sail directly to the finish and cross the line from the direction of the last mark rounded. If all classes in the fleet are being shortened in this way the class flag will be replaced by the appropriate fleet pennant. This is in addition to RRS 32.2.

4.2 **Saturday fleet Hut Finishes:** If a Race Committee boat is positioned at a mark and displaying Flag V and a class Flag with intermittent sound signals, boats in that class should, having rounded that mark sail directly to Turning mark and having rounded Turning mark to port, cross the line from the direction of Turning mark. If all classes in the fleet are being shortened in this way the class flag will be replaced by the appropriate fleet pennant. This is in addition to RRS 32.2.

4.3 Courses may be shortened by a Committee Vessel taking up position beside any mark of the course, displaying Flag S and class flags if appropriate. Two sound signals will be made on approach of the leading boats. If the entire fleet is to be shortened the appropriate fleet pennant will replace all class flags. This is in addition to RRS 32.2.

B5. The Finish

Boats that have finished shall avoid boats still racing.

5.1 Hut Finishes – Saturday Races for Blue and Red Fleets will finish at the hut unless shortened.

A) All boats finishing at the West Pier Hut, having sailed the course indicated, shall pass Turning mark to port before proceeding to the finishing line.

B) The finish line shall be between the orange limit mark and an on orange line on the northeast corner of the DBSC West Pier Hut.

5.2 Committee Vessel Finishes Thursday Races for Blue and Red fleets will finish at a mark or committee vessel laid line.

The finish line will be between the red and white staff or the main mast of the committee vessel displaying the Club Burgee, a Blue Flag and the appropriate fleet pennant (Red or Blue) and a finishing mark. It may be laid approximately to windward of the last mark of the course

B6 Time Limits

Thursdays

6.1 i) The time limit for the first boat of a class to sail the course and finish is 2 hours.

ii) Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the second boat of her class sails the course and finishes or before 21.05 (whichever is the earlier) shall be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. (Changes RRS 35 and A5)

For the last two Thursday races in August SI 6.1i and 6.1 ii Shall be deleted and 6.2 shall be in effect.

6.2 The time limit for any boat of a class to sail the course and finish is 20.30Hrs. Any boats failing to finish by this time shall be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. (Changes RRS 35 and A5).

Saturdays

6.3 The time limit for the first boat of a class to sail the course and finish is 17.00Hrs. Should a boat finish within this time, the time limit for her class shall be extended to 17.30Hrs. Any boats failing to finish by this time shall be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. (Changes RRS 35 and A5).