



Dublin Bay Sailing Club

2022 Sailing Instructions – B 14.04.22

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

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

The notation [NP] in a rule in these Sailing Instructions means that breaches of these rules will not be grounds for protest or redress by a boat. This changes RRS63.1

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 a blue pennant at the starboard end of the line and the port end starting mark or a Rib displaying an orange flag. (This changes Appendix S 9.1)

1.2 (NP) A boat that does not start within 10 minutes of her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1, A3 and A5.

1.3 (NP) Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races. The Race Committee may penalize a boat without a hearing for failing to comply with this Sailing Instruction by adding 3 Non Discardable points to her series score. (This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.1).

1.4 The Race Committee may, no later than three minutes before the starting signal of any class, move either end of the starting line. (This changes RRS 27.2).

1.5 The Race Committee may, not less than 30 seconds after the starting signal, broadcast the sail numbers of boats that were OCS by VHF. Failure to do so or the order of the broadcast will not be grounds for a request for redress. (This changes RRS 29.1 and 62.1(a)).

1.6 (NP) A boat entered in a DBSC series shall not cross the start or finish line of any race in which she is not racing. (This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.1).

B2. The Course

Thursday Racing Blue Fleet

2.1 The course will be sailed around fixed marks as shown on the chart "DBSC Racing Marks 2022" The approximate positions are given in the "Yacht Racing Marks – Bearings 2022".

2.2 Blue Fleets Shall use Course Card 1 "Mac Lir Blue Fleet Thursdays 2022"

2.3 All Marks are rounding marks to be rounded on the required side and in the order shown on Course card.

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

2.5(a) No later than 3 minutes before the starting signal of each class the race committee shall designate the course to sailed, by displaying the letter and number reference from Course Card "Mac Lir Blue Fleet Thursdays 2022" (This changes RRS 27.1)

2.5(b) When Cruiser 4, 5a and 5b, are required to sail different courses the race committee will designate the course to be sailed by displaying a letter and 2 numbers. Cruisers 4 and 5a shall sail the course designated by the letter and the first number, Cruisers 5b shall sail the course designated by the letter and the second number.

Red Fleet

2.6 The course will be sailed around fixed marks as shown on the chart "DBSC Racing Marks 2022" The approximate positions are given in the "Yacht Racing Marks – Bearings 2022" and/or Temporary Laid Marks

2.7 **Thursday Red Fleets** Shall use either Course Card "Free Bird Red Fleet RTC Courses Thursday 2022" Or Course Card "Red Fleet W/L Courses 2022" or a Platonic course using either laid marks and fixed marks or a mix of both

2.7 (a) Fixed mark courses. No later than 3 minutes before the starting signal of each class the race committee shall designate the course to sailed, by displaying the letter and number reference from Course Card "Free Bird Red Fleet RTC Courses Thursday 2022" (This changes RRS 27.1)

2.7 (b) W/L Courses: No later than 3 minutes before the starting signal of each class the race committee shall designate the course to sailed, by displaying 'W' followed by the letter and number reference from Course Card" Red Fleet W/L Courses 2022" (This changes RRS 27.1).

W/L courses may be set for any class, but will normally be used only for SB20, Sports-boats and FF15s.

2.7 (c) Platonic courses: No later than 3 minutes before the starting signal for each class the race committee may display a series of letters designating fixed marks or an orange symbol designating a laid mark. Boats shall round the marks in the order displayed. A number completing the series designates the number of laps to be sailed.

When a red flag is displayed boats shall round the designated marks to port, when a red flag is displayed boats shall round the designated marks to starboard.

The race committee may also communicate the course to be sailed by VHF.

2.8 When using Course cards all marks are rounding marks and shall be rounded in the order as shown on Course card. Marks shown in Red shall be rounded to Port and Marks in Green shall be rounded to Starboard.

Saturday

The Schedule of Racing indicates the dates scheduled for each fleet to start at the Hut or Committee Vessel

Cruisers Zero and 1 will always Start and Finish at the Committee Vessel on Saturdays unless SI B3 applies

2.8 All races started from a committee vessel will finish at the committee vessel or another race committee vessel. It is the race committee intention to use Mac Lir as the committee vessel whenever possible.

2.9 Fleets starting at a Committee Vessel will use Course Card "**Committee Vessel Starts Saturdays 2022**"

2.10 All Marks are rounding marks to be rounded on the required side and in the order shown on Course card.

2.12 Fixed mark courses for Committee Vessel starts: No later than 3 minutes before the starting signal of each class the race committee shall designate the course to be sailed, by displaying the letter and number reference from the appropriate course card" (This changes RRS 27.1)

2.13 Platonic courses:

2.13 (a) No later than 3 minutes before the starting signal for each class the race committee may display a series of letters designating fixed marks or an orange symbol designating a laid mark. Boats shall round the marks in the order displayed. A number completing the series designates the number of laps to be sailed.

2.13 (b) When a red flag is displayed boats shall round the designated marks to port, when a green flag is displayed boats shall round the designated marks to starboard.

2.13 (c) The race committee may also communicate the course to be sailed by VHF, failure to do so or failure to receive such message will not be grounds for redress.
(This changes RRS 27.1)

B3 Exceptional Changes to Fleet Starts

This procedure is intended for use only when racing cannot be started from a committee vessel

3.1 The race committee may decide that racing cannot be started from a committee vessel due to foul weather or any other reason directly affecting the safety or fairness of the competition. The race committee may then change the schedule of races so that some or all other fleets or classes will start at the West Pier Hut.

3.2 The change will be communicated as follows:

a) No later than 30 minutes before the first scheduled warning signal of the day changes to fleet starts will be broadcast on VHF Channels 68 and 74

b) an email may be sent to all registered competitors.

c) The waterfront clubs may be asked to fly DBSC Over Flag R

SI 3.2 a), b) and c) change rule 90.2(c).

Failure to receive any of the above communications shall not be grounds for redress (NP)

c) A board showing a green triangle will be displayed on the inside of the pier wall at the West Pier Start Hut.

3.3 When SI 3.1 applies all Fleets and Classes that have not been postponed:

a) shall start on the West Pier Start line as per SI 1.1 in Sailing instructions H West Pier Hut Starts

b) shall be given details of the course to be sailed by VHF.

3.4 Fleets and classes will start in the order set in Course Card 2 Race Times 2022, Combined Hut Starts.

B5 Shortening the Course

5.1 If a Race Committee vessel is positioned at a mark and displaying Flag F 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 changes RRS 32.2.

5.2 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.

B6. The Finish

Boats that have finished shall avoid boats still racing.

6.1 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 a Blue pennant and a finishing mark. (This changes Appendix S 11.1)

B7 Time Limits

Thursdays

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

b) 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)

c) Should only two boats start a race any boat failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first 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 and any subsequent races held in September SI 7.1i and 7.1 ii shall be deleted and 7.2 shall be in effect.

7.2 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

7.3 a) The time limit for the first boat of a class to sail the course and finish is 17.00Hrs

b) Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the second boat of her class sails the course and finishes or before 17.30 (whichever is the earlier) shall be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. (Changes RRS 35 and A5)

c) Should only two boats start a race any boat failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat of her class sails the course and finishes or before 17.30 (whichever is the earlier) shall be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. (Changes RRS 35 and A5)

B8 Retractable Bow Sprints

8.1 To extend her bowsprit a boat shall be in the process of either a continuous hoist, flying or a continuous retrieval of the gennaker. At all other times, the bowsprit shall be retracted. In addition, if approaching a windward mark without the spinnaker/ gennaker set, the bowsprit shall not be extended until the bow of the boat passes to windward of the mark. For the purposes of this rule, a mark is a windward mark when the direct course from the previous mark (or the start line if there is no previous mark) is less than 90 degrees from the direction of the wind.