

# ESCSF Adult and Junior Regatta

Sunday 15th July 2018

## Sailing Instructions

1. **Organising Authority:** The organising authority is The Sailing Committee of Bexhill Sailing Club.
2. **Venue:** Bexhill Sailing Club
3. **Rules:** Racing will take place under the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS); the appropriate class rules; and the sailing instructions of the event. In the event of conflict, the sailing Instructions of the event shall prevail. The Organising Authority will have final decision on all conflicts and reserves the right to make any changes on the day of the event. Changes will be notified by briefing or on the Race Notice Board inside the south door.
4. **Registration:** Registration will be from 08.30 on the 15<sup>th</sup> July 2018 in the clubhouse. Registration will close at 09:30 prompt. Sailing Instructions will be available at registration.
5. **Eligibility:** Competitors must be members of the ESCFC Club they are representing at the time of the event. Competitors in the Junior Federation Regatta must be under 18 at the time of the event. Only the Classes of boat specified will be eligible. The boats will be provided or arranged by Bexhill Sailing Club.
6. **Entry Fee:** There is no entry fee.
7. **Race/Boat Allocation:** Boats will be allocated for to Clubs for each race in accordance with the attached table. Each Club can decide who sails for the Club in any Class or Race. Sailors of each Club will be required to wear an identifying mark.
8. **Briefing:** There will be a Race Officer's briefing for all competitors at 09:00 on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2018.
9. **Schedule of Races:** In the Adult and Junior Regatta there will be a maximum of six Races if six Clubs are entered. Otherwise the maximum number of Races will be the number of Clubs entered. Competitors must return to shore between each Race to change boats. Race 1 will be not before 10:00. Races 2 and 3 will be as soon as possible after Race 1. Race 4 will be not before 13:00. Races 5 and 6 will be as soon as possible after Race 4. Junior Regatta Races will start three minutes after each Adult Regatta Race. No Warning Signal will be made after 15:30.
10. **Course:** The course and number of laps for each Class will be shown on the Race Notice Board inside the south door.

### 11. Starts

Racing will be for the following separate Classes:

#### **Adult Regatta:**

Topaz Uno, Laser 2000 (asymmetric rigged), Laser, and Dart 16 Cat (2 sails, double-handed).

All Classes to start together. Class Signal: Blue light.

#### **Junior Regatta:**

Toppers with standard or reduced sail size, RS Feva and Laser 4.7.

All Classes to start together. Class Signal: Amber light.

The start sequence will be as follows. This changes RRS 26.

<u>Time</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Visual Signal</u>	<u>Sound</u>
3 min before 1 <sup>st</sup> start	Warning	Blue light 3 white lights	1 sound
2 min before 1 <sup>st</sup> start	Preparatory	2 white lights	1 sound
1 min before 1 <sup>st</sup> start	1 Minute	1 white light	1 sound
First Start, <b>and</b>	Start, <b>and</b>	Blue light off, <b>and</b>	
3 min before 2 <sup>nd</sup> start	Warning	Amber light on, 3 white lights	1 sound
2 min before 2 <sup>nd</sup> start	Preparatory	2 white lights	1 sound
1 min before 2 <sup>nd</sup> start	1 Minute	1 white light	1 sound
Second Start	Start	Lights off	1 sound

### 11.1 Starting Line

The starting line is the extension of an imaginary line drawn through the flagstaff of the clubhouse and a “transit pole” on the beach and bounded by an outer limit buoy and possibly an inner limit buoy. These buoys may not necessarily be on the starting line.

## 12.0 RECALLS

### 12.1 Individual Recalls

Individual recalls will be in accordance with RRS 29.1 except that the visual signal will be one red light in place of flag “X”.

**12.2** General recalls will be in accordance with RRS 29.2 except that the visual signal will be two red lights instead of flag “First Substitute”. A new Warning signal will be made for the recalled Class after the second scheduled start.

## 13.0 FINISHING

### 13.1 Finishing Line

The finishing line is between the flagstaff on the clubhouse and the outer limit mark.

**13.2 Shortening the course.** This changes RRS 32.

A shortened course will be signalled by two red lights and the Class signal (Blue or Amber light) with two sound signals. When the signal has been made all boats in all classes will finish the next time of crossing the finishing line regardless of the number of laps completed. Any boat finishing ahead of any boat that has sailed fewer laps will be placed behind those boats.

**14. Scoring:** Each Class will score for each race as follows:

1<sup>st</sup> place – The number of Clubs taking part in the whole competition

2<sup>nd</sup> place – One point less than first place

3<sup>rd</sup> place – 2 points less than first place

Etc.

DNC, DNS, OCS, DNF, RET, DSQ – 0 points

For the Adult and Junior Regattas, points will be totaled for each club over the series of races. No discards will be applied.

The winning Adult and Junior club will be that which scored the highest number of points.

Individual Class prizes may be awarded.

**15. Prize giving:** The prize giving will be held as soon as possible after the last race of the series.

## 16. RISK STATEMENT

Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;

**17 'Race, Training and Event Management – The Legal Aspects'** can be found on the RYA website at [www.rya.org.uk/infoadvice/clubsclass/healthandsafety/Pages/organisingandmanagingevents.aspx](http://www.rya.org.uk/infoadvice/clubsclass/healthandsafety/Pages/organisingandmanagingevents.aspx)

**18. Insurance:** Competitors are required to hold third party insurance for racing of at least two million pounds (£2,000,000).

**19. Safety Regulations:** Life-jackets or other adequate personal buoyancy shall be worn by all competitors at all times whilst afloat. Wet suits and dry suits are not adequate personal buoyancy.

**20. Catering:** Hot and cold food will be available all day from the galley.

**21. Any further details please contact BSC Cadet Captain Malcolm Brookes**

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