



RUNSWICK BAY BEACH AND SAILING CLUB

PRESIDENT: THE MOST HONOURABLE THE MARQUIS OF NORMANBY

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I. TYPE OF BOAT TO BE USED AT THE CLUB

- 1) Provided that the boat has a recognised Portsmouth Yardstick and has been accepted by the Sailing Club Committee, that boat will be permitted to take part in all club races.
- 2) A Register showing all boats/sailboards kept at the Club will be displayed in the Race Office of the Club.
 - i. Sailboards will be recognized as a Club Sailing Activity, and boards may compete in races organized by the Club. All Club rules apply to the Sailboard section apart from the need to carry an anchor or warp.

II. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. PRELIMINARIES

i. Definition of Governing Rules:

All Races are subject to TYRU rules, the RYA prescriptions, the rules of the appropriate class association and these sailing instructions with the following exceptions:-

- a) Rules 8, 1, 8.2 (a), 10, 28.2 shall not apply.
- b) A yacht which acknowledges infringing a rule of part W may exonerate herself by making one full 360 degree turn in accordance with the provisions laid down in Appendix 3. This does not include touching a mark, the penalty for which is one additional complete rounding of the mark as laid down in rules 52.2. These instructions cancel and supersede all previous instructions.

ii. Insurance, Loss and Damage

All craft using facilities must be covered by adequate third party insurance. The Sailing Club will not accept liability for loss or damage to persons, craft or any other property lost on the site other than as provided by the Public Liability insurance indemnity arranged by the Club in relation to third parties who are not club members. Copies of insurance shall be submitted to the sailing secretary before any sailing will be permitted.

2. SAFETY

- i. Safety Boat: The safety boat must be afloat, in attendance and manned by at least two competent adults at all club sailing events.
- ii. Personal Buoyancy: Personal buoyancy must be worn by boat crews (Sailboards) at all times at sea. It is **STRONGLY RECOMMENDED** that only LIFE JACKETS of BS 3595 should be worn, particularly by children, the wearing of wet suits will not be regarded as a substitute for normal personal buoyancy aids.
- iii. Ground Tackle: It is recommended that boats must carry a suitable anchor attached to a warp of not less than 15 fathoms in length. The warp should be made fast to the boat. (Not applicable to Sailboards).
- iv. Flares. It is recommended that Flares be carried esp by persons sailing alone or on non club days as a means to attract attention on the shore.
- v. Buoyancy Regulations: All boats as a minimum requirement must comply with Buoyancy Regulations laid down by class rules.
- vi. Right to Enter Events: At all the events, in particular open events, the Race Committee reserve the right to refuse entry on safety or any other grounds in accordance with RYA recommended practice. Competitors are reminded of IYRU Rule 1.3: **IT SHALL BE THE SOLE RESPONSIBILITY OF EACH YACHT TO DECIDE WHETHER OR NOT TO START OR TO CONTINUE THE RACE.**

3. RACE MANAGEMENT

There shall be three possibly ways to manage any racing dependant on the prevailing conditions and the number of boats sailing (not

necessarily racing). This is to ensure that the workload of the rescue boat is managed to provide safety cover. The Sailing Secretary or Commodore will decide on which is the most suitable way to conduct any racing.

- a) Race is managed and controlled from the Club House, more that 10 boats sailing, wind F4 and above
- b) Race is managed and controlled from the rescue boat, less that 5 boats sailing, wind up to F5
- c) Start of the race managed via the rescue boat, but controlled and finished from the club. Up to 10 boats, wind up to F4

In adverse weather conditions and when the no sailing flags (MX)



are displayed the Club will not accept any responsibility for any members going afloat.

SAFETY BOATS WILL NOT BE LAUNCHED

i. Course Marks

Two, three or four buoys will be laid in accordance with a plan for that race displayed by the Race Officer at the club house. The Race Officer will make available copies of a plan of the shoreline of Runswick Bay for competitors to mark up the displayed course.

ii. For Racing under control from the Club race management (a)

a) Start Line:

The start line is a line drawn between the mark in front of the club house and the club flag pole. The START MARK is the inshore course marker adjacent to the Clubhouse. Upon starting correctly all competitors must pass inshore of the START MARK before proceeding to the next mark. In certain conditions an additional small buoy may be placed adjacent to the START MARK (it will be indicated in the course plan) for STARTING PURPOSES ONLY. Upon starting correctly all competitors must pass inshore of the small buoy in addition to the START MARK. Thereafter on subsequent laps it is ignored and because it is no longer a mark of the course it may be removed.

b) Finishing Line:

The finishing line is a line drawn between the mark in front of the club house and the club flag pole. The FINISH MARK is the inshore course marker adjacent to the Clubhouse. Upon finishing correctly all competitors must pass inshore of the FINISH MARK. Boats should ensure that they round the mark to the seaward side before proceeding to the beach if require to ensure that no confusion is made over their finish.

iii. For Racing under control from the Rescue Boat race management (b)

a) Start Line:

The start line is drawn between the bow of the rescue boat and a buoy laid to port.

b) Finishing Line:

The finishing line is a line drawn between the bow of the rescue boat and a buoy laid to starboard.

iv. For Racing under control from the club race management (c)

a) Start Line:

The start line is drawn between the bow of the rescue boat and a buoy laid to port.

b) Finishing Line:



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v. **Starting Procedure:**

Sound signals will be made from the rescue boat or Club House at three minutes, one minute and at the start.

Visual signal may accompany the sound signal as shown below.

Three minutes before start -Warning Signal - flag 'F' broken



One minute before start - Preparatory Signal -flag P broken (all competitors must be afloat - all rules in force)



Start - Start Signal both flags lowered

Times should be taken from the sound signal. Failure or mistiming of the visual signal should be disregarded.

vi. **Postponement Signal:**

The start postponed by 15 minutes -answering pennant flag may be flown



The postponement can be extended indefinitely to be accompanied by one long sound signal.

vii. **Individual Recalls:**

Should there be any premature starters a second sound signal will be made for each such boat. It is the duty of any boat on the course side at the start to restart around the ends forthwith. The warning signal Flag 'F' left may in the dip position until all boats have started correctly as prescribed in IYRU Rule 8.2 (b).

viii. **General Recalls:**

If more than two boats are OCS at the start, the race officer may sound a long continuous signal to signify a restart within 15 minutes. flag 'R' may be flown. A fresh warning signal will be made and thereafter the normal starting procedure will follow.



ix. **Time Limit:**

There will be no time limit unless a limit is laid for specific events and published as an addendum to these instructions.

x. **Shortening Course:**

The course may be shortened after the start at the discretion of the Race Officer without further signal.

xi. **Abandon Race:**

At the discretion of the race officer signified by three long sound signals. A visual signal flag 'N' above flag 'X' may be flown at the club house.



xii. **Finish:**

Each boat which has started correctly will receive one short sound signal as it crosses the finishing line (if within the time limit if applicable).

xiii. **Safety Boat Recall:**

In the event of a incident being observed from the club the club rescue boat should be called via the VHF radio on channel M1 and

advised of the nature of the incident. The rescue boat WILL respond immediately by going to the incident to assess the situation (Unless engaged in another incident where their attendance is vital). The recovery of persons is the primary task, the recovery of boats should be done only once all are safe. This includes all and anybody afloat whether club members or not. Should an incident involve a non club member then the RBRB should be called and any casualty passed over to their care (see note 14).

xiv. **Runswick Bay Rescue Boat:**

In an Emergency to call out the Runswick Bay Rescue Boat, a flare may be used and a runner should be dispatched along the beach to advise the rescue service the problem. The sounding the horn or bell may also be used until you have attracted their attention. The use of a VHF radio to call the Coastguard and request assistance may be used as a last resort; this may initiate the launch of the RNLi boat from Staithes.

xv. **THE ATTENTION OF MEMBERS IS DRAWN TO RULE 58. RENDERING ASSISTANCE.** "Every yacht shall render all possible assistance to any vessel or person in peril when in a position to do so".

IT IS STRESSED THAT THIS RULE SHALL APPLY WHETHER OR NOT A RACE IS IN PROGRESS.

4. ADMINISTRATION

i. **Race Starting Times:**

For closed events the start times will be as indicated in the programme for the season. Open event starting times will be officially notified to competitors on receipt of entry applications.

ii. **Signing On and Off:**

All competitors are required to notify the Race Officer of their intention to race within one hour of the start. A declaration form must be signed within one hour of the boat completing the course.

iii. **Handicaps:**

All handicaps will be based upon the RYA Portsmouth Number System. Individual handicaps will be displayed in the Race Office and modified from time to time by the Handicapping Officer in accordance with the RYA recommended practice. Closed event handicapping will be either by individual handicap or by current Portsmouth Yardstick Number as indicated in the programme for the season. Open event handicapping will be by current Portsmouth Yardstick Number only.

iv. **Scoring System:**

Placings will be made of use RYA Portsmouth Handicap System in conjunction with the above handicapping system. Scoring in closed events will follow the system laid down in the programme for the season. Open event scoring system will be described as an addendum to these instructions for specific events.

v. **Ties:**

Ties will be resolved by: -

- the boat which has beaten the other the greatest number of times in the series, or
- failing (a) the last race.

III. TRACTORS

Owners must obtain approval of the General Committee before operating a Tractor on the beach. Details of tractor owners and drivers names to be submitted to the General Committee. All tractors used by the Club Members must be insured against third party claims and a Photostat copy of the insurance certificate submitted to the General Secretary.



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IV. PERSONAL VEHICLES

Four wheel drive vehicles may only be used on the beach with the permission of the Commodore and only as directed by him.

Attention is drawn to permission of Scarborough CC to the use of a vehicle on the beach is granted to: -

- i. the vehicle shall not exceed 5 mph
- ii. Permission does not extend to using the vehicle for passenger transport.

V. CAR PARK

Members should lock the car park gate every time they go in or out, and only members who have paid the current car park fee are entitled to use the car park. Member's cars must display the current windscreen sticker. Members have no right to loan their key to non-members, or to offer car parking facilities to their guests, but no objection would be raised if members guests used the car park on quiet mid-week days. Members park at their own risk.

Members with boats stored in the car park should note that this privilege may be withdrawn at any time subject a committee decision and that it is a car park not a boat park. Due respect should be made to members who park their cars.

VI. VISITORS

A Member may not introduce more than two adult visitors at any one time and may not introduce visitors on more than three occasions in all. Any one visitor may not be introduced to the Club on more three occasions in all in any one year. (See RBBSC Rule 22).

VII. DOGS

In consideration of all members and in the interest of hygiene dogs not allowed within the Club buildings including the veranda. Any dog taken to the Club must be kept on a leash and under control.

VIII. USE OF CLUB FACILITIES

- i. The Club provides gas rings, cooker, plates, cutlery etc. for member's use and you are expected to wash up and put them away immediately after use. Please put all refuse inside the plastic bags provided and do not overfill them as members have to transport these bags along the beach. This is not a pleasant job, and your co-operation would be appreciated. Dining room tables should not be set until immediately before use. Please vacate, clear and wipe your table as soon as you have finished eating. Please return empty bar glasses and bottles to the bar when you have finished drinking.

Bar Stocks are transported along the beach and it is the duty of all members to help carry these stocks into the Clubhouse.

- ii. First aid cupboard is provided in the Clubhouse. The contents are for use in emergency only.
- iii. Deck chairs; members are expected to return their chairs to the shed when they have finished with them.
- iv. Toilets and changing facilities; flush toilets are provided by the Club and it is the responsibility of all members to see that they are not used by the general public. There are separate changing/shower rooms for men and women and members are expected to use these and not the Clubhouse. Members are asked to put away their sailing gear at the end of the day in the lockers provided.

- v. Rescue Boats; all able bodied members should be prepared to assist in the launching and retrieving of the Clubs rescue boats. If anyone intends sailing outside the Bay it is in their own interest to inform H M Coastguard.

- vi. Dress; in consideration of others, members are expected to maintain a reasonable standard of dress within the Clubhouse. The wearing of sailing attire in the Clubhouse after the last race of the day is inappropriate.

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