

Wicklow Sailing Club 2006

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The series will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2005 – 2008, The prescriptions of the I.S.A., the rules of each class, these sailing instructions and any amendments thereto (copies available on request).
- 1.2 All entrants must be current members of Wicklow Sailing Club and the I.S.A.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in Wicklow Sailing Club.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the notice board in Wicklow Sailing Club prior to the start of the race.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at Wicklow Sailing Club

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 Racing is scheduled as per the notice on the notice board in Wicklow Sailing Club
- 5.2 The numbers of races scheduled is as per the notice on the notice board in Wicklow Sailing Club
- 5.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race for cruisers is
a) Sunday 14.25. b) Saturday 16.55, c) Weekday 19.25 / 19.00
The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race for dinghies is
a) Sunday 10:25 b) Weekday 19.25
- 5.4 When more than one race (or sequence of races, for two or more classes) will be held on the same day, the warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable. To alert boats that another race or sequence of races will begin soon, the postponement signal will be displayed for at least four minutes before a warning signal is displayed.

6 CLASS FLAGS

Class flags will be:

<i>Class</i>	<i>Flag</i>
Cruisers	Numeral Pennant '3'
Wayfarer	Wayfarer 'W' on white background
Other Dinghy	Pennant 'TBA'

7 RACING AREAS

The location of racing areas will be in the bay off Wicklow Harbour

8 THE COURSES

The course will be displayed on a notice board in Wicklow Sailing Club not later the 30 minutes before the start of each race

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8.2 Evening races displayed on board as early as possible

THE START

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9.1 Races will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal given 5 minutes before the starting signal.

The following is the sequence

<i>Signal</i>	<i>Flag and Sound</i>	<i>Minutes before Starting signal</i>
Warning	Class Flag; 1 sound	5
Preparatory	P;1 sound	4
One-minute	Preparatory flag removed; 1 long sound	1
Starting	Class flag removed; 1 sound	0

9.2 The starting line will be a line between the flag pole on the deck or at the end of the pier and the starting mark or from a committee boat . This will be stated the race board

9.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.

9.4 A boat starting later than 30 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes rule A4.1.

Comment [JP1]: Insert the number of minutes.

10 TIME LIMITS

10.1 Time limits are as follows:

<i>Class</i>	<i>Time limit</i>	<i>Mark 1 time limit</i>
Cruiser –Midweek	1:30 Hrs	1 Hr
Cruiser – Weekend	2:30 Hrs	1 Hr
Wayfarer	00:30 Hrs	00:30 Hrs
Other Dinghies	1:30 Hrs	00:30 Hrs

There is no time limit on Trophy races unless stated on the board

If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned.

Changes to the above may be posted on the notice board with the course

- 10.2 Boats failing to finish within 45 after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes rules 35 and A4.1. There is no time limit on Trophy races unless stated on the board.

Comment [JP2]: Insert the time (or different times for different classes).

11 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 11.1 Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
- 11.2 For each class, the protest time limit is 30 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day
- 11.3 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in Wicklow Sailing Club
- 11.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).

12 SCORING

- 12.1 The Low Point scoring system of Appendix A will apply.

- 12.2 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

Comment [JP3]: Insert the number.

When 5 races have been completed within a series a boat must have completed a minimum of 3 races to be included within that series.

When fewer than 5 races constitute a series a boat must have completed a minimum of 1 race less than the total number of races in the series to be included within that series.

- 12.3 (a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When from 5 to 9 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- (c) Greater than 5, each additional 4 shall add on an extra discard

Comment [JP4]: Insert the numbers throughout.

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13 SAFETY REGULATIONS

13.1 DINGHIES

All competitors whilst afloat must wear adequate personal buoyancy.

All dinghies must have a towing line, bucket or hand bailer and oar (or paddle) on board whilst racing.

When a boat has finished her race she will be proceed directly to the slip. Yachts failing to do so will no longer be under the supervision of the rescue boats and will do so at their own risk

CRUISERS

All competitors whilst afloat must wear adequate personal buoyancy.

Adequate VHF radio equipment must be present on each yacht and must be left on during the race i.e. Channel M (37) is used for racing

GENERAL

Rescue boats shall have the right of way over all competitors when engaged in rescue activities.

Any boat receiving assistance will be deemed to have retired.

- 13.2** A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

14 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 14.1** Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior approval of the PRO
- 14.2** Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

15 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

16 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of €630,000 per event or the equivalent.

17 ADMENDMENT

Where a series is involved only one boat needs to compete to allow it to count as a Valid race subject to the O.O.D. decision whether conditions are suitable to race

- 18** Boats must check in with the OOD before the Preparatory Signal