

# Torbay Week 2010

## Combined Clubs of Torbay Sailing Regatta



Friday 20<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> August 2010

### SAILING INSTRUCTIONS for Course Area K2

**PY CRUISERS, SONATAS, SPORTS BOATS (including LASER SB3 & RS K6)  
BRITISH NORDIC FOLKBOAT AND DAYBOAT WITH PY RATING**

#### **1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY**

Torbay Week 2010 (“the Regatta”) is organised by Babbacombe Corinthian Sailing Club (BCSC), Brixham Yacht Club (BYC), Paignton Sailing Club (PSC) and Royal Torbay Yacht Club (RTYC) acting through Torbay Week Management Group.

#### **2. CLASSES TO RACE**

- 2.1 PY Cruisers - boats which do not hold an IRC Certificate and for whom a Portsmouth Yardstick handicap number will be allocated. An option applies for boats to enter by declaration of racing with or without a spinnaker or genaker. This class is intended for the less serious racers and to encourage boats with small or family crews.
- 2.1 Sonatas
- 2.2 Sports Boats, including Laser SB3 and RS K6
- 2.3 Folkboats
- 2.4 Dayboats which have a Portsmouth Yardstick rating.

#### **3. RULES**

- 3.1 The races will be governed by the rules as defined in “The Racing Rules of Sailing” (RRS).
- 3.2 The Torbay Week Mediation Procedures will apply. (see Mediation Appendix document)
- 3.3 Races may be started using countdown on VHF channel **6**, in which case the start time will be in accordance with that countdown. This changes RRS 26 and Race Signals.
- 3.4 Information provided by the Race Committee using VHF channel **6** shall not be deemed outside help. This changes RRS 41.
- 3.5 In the event of conflict between the Notice of Race, any Supplementary Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail. All printed versions will prevail over those shown on any website.

#### **4. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at Brixham Yacht Club (BYC), Paignton Sailing Club (PSC) and Royal Torbay Yacht Club (RTYC).

#### **5. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 5.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice boards at BYC and RTYC;
  - on Saturday not later than 10:00;
  - on Sunday, Monday or Tuesday not later than 09:00;except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 20:00 on the day before it will take effect.
- 5.2 Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will also be broadcast on VHF marine channel **6** before the warning signal for the first class affected by the change. Flag L over R will be

displayed on the race committee boat to signify that a change is to be broadcast. Flag L alone on the Committee Boat means "Follow Me". This changes the meaning of flag L in the race signals.

## 6. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 6.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole located at BYC Clubhouse and at the RTYC mast on Haldon Pier
- 6.2 Flag L means that a notice has been posted on that day. This changes Race Signals.
- 6.3 When flag AP is signalled ashore, "1 minute" is replaced by "not less than 60 minutes". This changes RRS 27.3.
- 6.4 No sound signals will be made for signals made ashore. This changes RRS 25 and Race Signals.

## 7. SCHEDULE AND NUMBER OF RACES

- 7.1 The times of the first warning signals and the number of races per day for the different classes are as follows.

Date	Class	Races	Time of First Warning Signal
Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup> August	PY Cruisers & Sonatas	Race 1	12.55
		Race 2 *	Asap after preceding Race.
	Sports Boats	Race 1	13.05
		Races 2 & 3	Asap after preceding Race
	Dayboats & Folkboats	Race 1	13.10
		Race 2	Asap after preceding Race.
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> August	PY Cruisers & Sonatas	Race 3	10.55
		Race 4 *	Asap after preceding Race.
	Sports Boats	Race 4	11.05
		Races 5 & 6	Asap after preceding Race.
	Dayboats & Folkboats	Race 3	11.10
		Race 4	Asap after preceding Race.
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> August	PY Cruisers & Sonatas	Race 5	10.55
		Races 6 *	Asap after preceding Race.
	Sports Boats	Race 7	11.05
		Races 8 & 9	Asap after preceding Race.
	Dayboats & Folkboats	Race 5	11.10
		Race 6	Asap after preceding Race.
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> August	PY Cruisers & Sonatas	Race 7	10.55
		Race 8 *	Asap after preceding Race.
	Sports Boats	Race 10	11.05
		Races 11 & 12	Asap after preceding Race.
	Dayboats & Folkboats	Race 7	11.10
		Race 8	Asap after preceding Race.

\* Unless a coastal race is sailed (see 8.2 below)

- 7.2 On Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> August, no warning signal will be made after 14.00.

## 8. CLASSES & CLASS SIGNALS

- 8.1 The race committee may, at its discretion, either combine starts or include additional starts

according to the number of entries.

8.2 On one of the race days, the PY Cruisers and Sonatas will sail one coastal race only. This alters the above table of races accordingly and will reduce the total number of races to 7

8.3 Class flags will be:

PY YACHT	NUMERAL PENNANT 3
SONATA	NUMERAL PENNANT 9
LASER SB3	NUMERAL PENNANT 6
SPORTS BOAT (including RS K6)	NUMERAL PENNANT 6
BRITISH NORDIC FOLKBOAT	FLAG F
DAYBOAT WITH PY RATING	NUMERAL PENNANT 5

## 9. THE COURSES & MARKS

9.1 The courses will be started and finished in the Southern part of Torbay

9.2 For the PY Cruisers and Sonatas, when only one coastal race is scheduled, the course may include fixed marks. These marks could include;

The Orestone	50° 27'.4 N 003° 28'.3 W
Teign Sewer Buoy	50° 31'.97 N 003° 27'.77 W
Exe Fairway Buoy	50° 35'.9 N 003° 23'.7 W
East Blackstone Rock, off Dartmouth	50° 20'.16 N 003° 31'.25 W

The description of the course will be announced on the day that it is to be raced, prior to the Warning signal on VHF channel 6.

9.3 The possible course configurations, apart from the coastal race, will be around buoys laid in the Southern part of Torbay.

9.4 The possible course configurations and marks of the course (other than those under 9.2 above ) are shown in Appendix K2.

9.5 The course letter to be sailed and the number of laps will be indicated on a board displayed on the Committee Boat before or with the warning signal for that class. The direction of the windward mark may be displayed on a board on the Committee Boat.

## 10. THE START

10.1 The starting line will be between a mast displaying an orange flag on a mark comprising a race Committee Boat together with any attachments and an outer distance mark with an orange flag on the port end of the line.

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

10.3 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.10.4. Any class subject to a General Recall shall be postponed to start in sequence as if added to the foot of the list of the classes (Except Sports Boats) remaining to start.

## 11. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

In addition to the requirements of RRS 33, the change of course may also be broadcast on VHF marine channel 6. This changes RRS 33.

## 12. THE FINISH

12.1 a) i ) If flag G is flying on the Committee Boat at the start of the race, the finish line shall be between a mast displaying a blue flag on a mark comprising a Finish Line Committee Boat together with any attachments (upwind of the leeward mark) and a pin buoy flying a blue flag on the port side of the Finish Line Committee Boat.

ii ) This Finish Line Committee Boat will also fly a flag G.

iii ) If flag G is flying as above then ALL boats MUST go through the Gate comprising the

Finish Line Committee Boat and finish pin on EVERY upwind leg of the race EXCEPT the first round AND MUST NOT pass through this gate on any downwind leg.

b) The Alternate finish line shall be between a mast displaying a blue flag on a mark comprising either a Start Line Committee Boat together with any attachments, and a pin buoy flying a blue flag to starboard of the Start Line Committee Boat . If the Alternate Finish Line is to be used, then flag A will be flown on the Committee Boat at the start of the relevant race.

c) RRS 32.2 will continue to apply to shortening course.

12.2 After finishing, boats shall not re-cross the finish line and shall keep clear of boats still racing.

### **13. TIME LIMITS**

Boats failing to finish within 60 minutes after the first boat of that class sails the course and finishes will be scored "Did Not Finish" without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 & A5.

### **14 PROTESTS, REQUESTS FOR REDRESS AND MEDIATION**

14.1 Protests shall be in writing and forms for this purpose are available from any of the three Torbay Week Offices at BYC, PSC or RTYC.

14.2 Provided all parties to the protest agree to mediation, the procedure to be adopted is according to the Mediation Appendix.

14.3 Protests shall be delivered to either BYC or RTYC offices within 90 mins. (or 30 mins. on the last day of racing) from the time that the last boat finished the last race (of its class) of the day.

14.4 The schedule showing the sail number of boats involved in protests will be posted within 30 minutes after the end of protest time. This shall constitute informing the boat and therefore amends RRS 61.1(b).

14.5 It is the competitor's responsibility to check the notice boards and to attend any protest hearing together with witnesses.

14.6 K2 protest meetings will be held at either BYC or RTYC according to the published schedule.

### **15. SCORING**

15.1 Four races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

15.2 When from four to six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

15.3 When seven to nine races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

15.4 When ten or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her three worst scores.

### **16. SAFETY REGULATIONS**

16.1 All boats shall carry adequate personal buoyancy for each person on board whilst racing. Such personal buoyancy shall be worn at all times when Flag Y is flown before or with the Warning Signal to which the requirement applies. This amends rule 40.

16.2 All boats shall comply with relevant class or handicap system safety rules.

16.3 Help for a man overboard from his/her own boat shall be deemed help under RRS 41 (b) and a reduced or nil penalty may be imposed.

16.4 All boats shall carry adequate personal buoyancy for each person on board whilst racing.

16.5 All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of receiving and transmitting marine channel 6.

16.6 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible on VHF marine channel 6.

### **17. RADIO COMMUNICATION**

17.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions whilst racing, nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies

- to mobile telephones.
- 17.2 The race committee will use VHF marine channel **6** to communicate with competitors. Such communications may include sail numbers of boats recalled as OCS, course changes and safety matters. Boats called by the race committee by name or sail number may respond and under such circumstances will not be in breach of instruction 17.1. Failure to make a broadcast by the race committee or to time it accurately or failure to receive a broadcast made by the race committee will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1 (a).
- 18. PRIZES**  
Trophies and prizes will be awarded to all classes where entry numbers are five or more.
- 19. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**  
19.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the Race Committee.  
19.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed without approval of the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 20. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**  
A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.
- 21. OFFICIAL & SUPPORT BOATS**  
21.1 Official boats will display a numbered triangular flag.  
21.2 Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 22. 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.
- 23. INSURANCE**  
Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000 per event or the equivalent.