



LEIGH ON SEA SAILING CLUB SUPPLEMENTARY SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Scope

These SI's are supplementary to the standard club racing SI's that are published in the club handbook. The SI's herein take precedence over the published rules. These instructions will be subject to frequent review as government and RYA advice is updated.

Guiding Principles

Competitors shall follow RYA Guiding Principles and be considerate and conservative. Competitors shall read and follow COVID 19 guidance as published on the LSC website under the "Independent Sailing" page.

Rule Changes

Definition "Zone" is changed to:

Zone The area around a mark within a distance of FIVE hull lengths of the boat nearer to it. A boat is in the zone when any part of her hull is in the zone. (*this shall allow additional time for helms to manoeuvre and avoid other boats at the approach to a mark*).

Protests. The time limit for protests is extended to six hours and all protests shall be sent to the Hon. Sailing Secretary by electronic means.

Starting

There will be two starts – start 1 will be for the SOLO class at or close to the time shown in the published sailing programme; the handicap class all other boats will be start 2, 10 minutes after start 1. If there are two races scheduled for each class, the time between the starts for the second pair of races will be 5 minutes. Boats shall keep clear of the starting line prior to their start.

RACE OFFICER GUIDANCE

Regular LSC courses around fixed marks shall be used as these require the least intervention on race days. The Race Officer will set courses that are north of the Ray and appropriate for the wind speed (max Beaufort Force 4) and wind direction. In addition, take into consideration the temperature, wind chill, sea temperature and any other boating activity in the area.

As a guide the maximum race time shall be approximately 2 hours and the support boat cover ratio 1:12 approx.

If possible, the course should be set to avoid crowding at turning marks. Courses should be set to avoid boats crossing each other or approaching the same mark from a different direction.

The RO shall operate alone in the race hut or with members of their family group. If non-family group assistance is used, they shall remain outside the hut and maintain government social distancing requirements.