



SSBC Sailing Instructions for Club Racing

1.0 RULES

Club racing will be governed by the **Racing Rules of Sailing 2017 – 2020 (RRS)**, the **prescriptions of the Irish Sailing Association (ISA)**, and the **rules of the participating classes**, except as any of these are changed by the sailing instructions. The series is designated **Category B** event.

2.0 ENTRIES

2.1 Competitors must be members of **Swords Sailing & Boating Club**. Competitors whose membership fees are not in order after the 1st May will not be awarded points. Any subsequent reinstatement will be awarded DNS up to this date.

2.2 Each Series is a **“helms”** event. A **“helms”** is a competitor who starts, finishes and steers the majority of the up wind legs.

A competitor who helms more than one boat will be treated as new entry.

2.3 **Non members** may participate as crew no more than 4 occasions in season (May to October) Additional participation will be DNS for helm

2.4 Competitors must have adequate **third party insurance** cover for the duration of the season. SSBC is not in any way liable.

3.0 NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

3.1 A briefing may be given. Course & the number of laps will be posted on the notice board not later 20 minutes before the warning signal.

3.2 Courses will be as per course cards.

3.3 When there are shore starts, a briefing will be given.

3.4 Changes to sailing instructions will be posted on the Race Notice Board 30 minutes before the start.

3.5 It will be the responsibility of competitors to ensure they are entered for each race by completing the "SSBC RACE RESULTS" sheet before the start. Non-members must sign in. Should competitors miss the opportunity to "sign in"; they must confirm their intention to participate to the Race Officer prior to the start.

3.6 Members, who fail to carry out Race Officer & Rescue duties or get a replacement, will cause their fleet to get a DNC for that race. (Fleets, GP14s, Multi hulls, Lasers, Sundries)

4.0 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole in front of the sailing office

5.0 SCHEDULE OF RACES

Spring Sunday Series Two Races each day

First Race Warning signal 11.00am

The first race must finish by 12.00. Competitors who exceed this time will score DNF



SSBC Sailing Instructions for Club Racing

Second Race Warning signal 12:15

The second race must finish by 13:15. Competitors who exceed this time will score DNF

Sunday Series Two Races each day

First Race Warning signal 14.00

The first race must finish by 15.00. Competitors who exceed this time will score DNF

Second Race warning signal 15.15

The second race must finish by 16.15. Competitors who exceed this time will score DNF

Autumn Sunday Series 2 races each Sunday

First Race Warning signal 11:00am

The first race must finish by 12:00. Competitors who exceed this time will score DNF

Second Race Warning Signal 12:15

The first race must finish by 13:15. Competitors who exceed this time will score DNF

Wednesday Series Corn Ui Fhlannagain Trophy (h/cap) & Spinnaker Trophy (py)

One Race Warning Signal 19.20

Special Races

Sailing instructions will be issued for these events

- 5.1 Two boats will be required to constitute a race in each fleet (Mono hull/ Multi hull / juniors). Fleets failing this requirement the race will be abandoned
- 5.1.1 There will be up to three starts, multi hull, monos and juniors
- 5.2 There will be a number of standard courses which will be displayed on laminated A4 sheets in the club house and the notice board. The Race Officer may set other courses not illustrated on these cards or on the notice board if they wish but must post a notice of intent on the blackboard. Juniors may sail a shortened course.
- 5.3 A second race may be sailed in the Wednesday Series mid summer
- 6.0 STARTS. Rule 26 systems 1
- 6.1 Rule 30.1 will apply except that no flags will be flown and no sound signal will be given.
- 6.2 Starts will be done from one of the following-
 - A. The committee boat.
 - B. one of the rescue ribs
 - C. off shore at the club with signals from the main flag pole.
- 6.3 Class flags are as follows

Mono Hulls Numeral 1



SSBC Sailing Instructions for Club Racing

Multi Hulls Numeral 2
Juniors Numeral 3

7.0 CHANGES OF COURSE AFTER START

Rule 33 applies.

8.0 PENALTY SYSTEM

Monos will take penalty turns in accordance with the racing rules of sailing 2017 -2020. Multi hulls will take one full turn to include one tack and one gybe.

9.0 TIME LIMIT

9.1 Time limit will be 90 minutes for all classes for Wednesday racing. Sunday Series racing will be limited by the time limits set out in 5.0

9.2 Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes of the leading boat will score DNF. This amends Rule 35

9.3 The Race Officer may abandon the race if the leading boat takes more than 20 minutes to complete a leg.

10.0 PROTESTS & REDRESS

Protests & Redress shall be written on forms available in the clubhouse and delivered to a committee member within 90 minutes of the last boat finishing.

11.0 SCORING

11.1 Low Points scoring system will be used as per appendix A2.2 RRS except that, First will be awarded one point

11.2 Helms & Crews carrying out Club Duties (Race Officer/ Rescue) will be awarded average points; these points will awarded no more than the number of dates rostered plus one additional occasion. Average points will be calculated using all races excluding discards

11.3 Competitors who participate in outside events will be awarded average points provided:

(a) Fleet captain must advise Race management on form 2B

11.4.1 Discards: one will apply to one in every 4 races. Competitors must complete 50% of races in a series to be awarded Points

11.4.2 A number of races may be rescheduled due to weather conditions preventing racing taking place. They will take place during Friday night sailing.

11.5 Club Sailing Handicaps will be displayed on the club notice board. These will be revised during the season.

11.6 DNF/RET/OCS will score two more than the number of finishers
DNS/DNC/ DSQ will score three points more than the number of finishers



SSBC Sailing Instructions for Club Racing

- 12.00 At the end of the season club trophies will be awarded on the following basis.
- 1st prize will be awarded where there are two competitors or more
 - 2nd will be awarded if there are four or more
 - 3rd awarded if there are six or more
- 12.1.1 When a competitor gets 1st.2nd or 3rd.on PY/Schrs and "Handicap" only the PY/Schrs prize will be awarded. The handicap prize will be not be awarded but redistributed to the next in line in the handicap fleet
- 12.1.2 The Annual Trophies will be awarded as per the notice on the Club Notice Board. These will be based on the results for the year.
- 12.1.3 At the end of the season prizes will be awarded for the Spring and Autumn Series on the following basis
- 1 st prize will be awarded where there are two competitors or more
 - 2 nd will be awarded if there are four or more
 - 3 rd awarded if there are six or more
- 12.4 Prizes will not be awarded on 'Handicap' in the Spring or Autumn Series.