

DRAYCOTE WATER SAILING CLUB

International Moth Class

Noble Marine UK Grand Prix Open Meeting

11th / 12th October 2014

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 All competitors shall be members of IMCA UK or in the case of overseas competitors they shall be members of their local Moth Class Association or IMCA

2. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located at the lower entrance to the clubhouse adjacent to the main club flagstaff and wet bar.

3. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the SIs will be posted 30 minutes before the advertised warning signal of the race, or races, concerned, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 18:00hrs on the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the club flagstaff. Competitors should note that signals may be flown from halyards at the club flagstaff in connection with the control of club racing.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 15 minutes' in race signal AP.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 The schedule of races and the times of warning signals are:

Day	Race Number	Warning signal
Saturday	Race 1	12:25
	Race 2	ASAP after Race 1
	Race 3	ASAP after Race 2
Sunday	Race 4	10:25
	Race 5	ASAP after Race 4
	Race 6	ASAP after Race 5

- 5.2 When Flag 'U' is displayed ashore no competitor may go afloat until the signal is removed. No starting signal will be given for at least 15 minutes after Flag 'U' is removed.
- 5.3 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 15:45hrs.

6. CLASS FLAGS

- 6.1 The Class flags will be: class insignia on a white background.

7. RACING AREA

- 7.1 The course area will be Draycote Water reservoir.

8. THE COURSE

- 8.1 The diagram in Attachment A shows the course including the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be port left.
- 8.2 The number of laps will be displayed on the committee boat. Race duration – Approx 35mins

9. MARKS

- 9.1 Marks 1, 2 and 3 will be Orange Cylindrical pillar marks. Mark S will be a spherical orange mark.

10. OBSTRUCTIONS & EXCLUSION AREAS

- 10.1 Fishing boats, whether engaged in fishing or not, shall rank as obstructions. For this purpose, the area within which a fishing line extends from, or is being cast from a fishing boat, shall form a part of the fishing boat.
- 10.2 Rescue boats and Committee Boats, when not displaying definitive start or finish flags, shall similarly rank as obstructions.
- 10.3 Boats shall not sail at any time within 30 metres of the shore except at the Club compound, nor, during the fishing season, within the buoyed area in Toft Bay or within 80 meters of Draycote Bank (the bank to the North West of the reservoir near the water pumping tower). These areas rank as obstructions.
- 10.4 Landing in an exclusion area is allowed only in an emergency.
- 10.5 The pontoon and moorings in front of the Clubhouse are for use only by official boats.

11. STARTS

- 11.1 Races will be started by using rule 26.
- 11.2 The Starting Line will be between a mast displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Boat and mark 'S' or a mast displaying an orange flag on a boat at the port end.
- 11.3 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after the starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes rules A4 and A5.

12. THE FINISH

- 12.1 The finishing line will be between a mast displaying a blue flag on the Race Committee Boat and mark 3.
- 12.2 When the leading boat completes the course and finishes, all boats that cross the finish line within 15 minutes after the leading boat has finished shall be deemed to be finishing irrespective of the number of laps they have completed. Their position in the race will be noted from their finishing order and number of completed laps with those having the most laps being recorded ahead of those with less completed laps. This means that boats that have only completed 1 lap shall be ranked behind boats that have completed 2 laps. Boats that have completed 2 laps shall be ranked behind boats that have completed 3 laps, etc.
- 12.3 Boats failing to cross the finish line within 15 minutes after the first boat has sailed the course and finished will be scored after those finishing as per 12.2 who completed more laps, according to their position at the previous passing through, if completed, the Gate, otherwise they will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

13. PENALTIES

- 13.1 Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

14. TIME LIMITS

- 14.1 If no boat has completed the first lap within 30 minutes the race will be abandoned and re-sailed where possible.

15. PROTESTS & REDRESS

- 15.1 Protest forms are available from the race office.
- 15.2 Protests and Requests for Redress must be lodged in writing with the Race Office, within 90 minutes of the last boat finishing the last race of the day.
- 15.3 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties to a hearing or named as witnesses. It shall be the responsibility of competitors to check the notice board for such notices.
- 15.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 15.5 Breaches of instructions 17 and 22 will not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a).
- 15.6 Penalties for breaches of instructions 5.2, 17, 18, 19, 21, 22 and 23, and for breaches of class rules, are at the discretion of the protest committee.
- 15.7 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:
 - (a) Within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day.
 - (b) No later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.This changes rule 66.
- 15.8 On the last scheduled day of racing, a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

16. SCORING & RESULTS

- 16.1 The low point scoring system of Appendix A will apply.
- 16.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 16.3 When fewer than 4 races are sailed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. If four or more races are sailed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

17. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 17.1 PERSONAL BUOYANCY

Adequate personal flotation devices for crew members shall be worn at all times whilst afloat. Failure to do so may result in disqualification. Neither a wet suit nor a dry-suit constitutes adequate personal flotation devices. Flag Y will not be displayed. This changes rule 40.
- 17.2 EXPOSURE PROOF CLOTHING

During the months of November, December, January, February and March, all persons on the water shall wear exposure proof clothing. For the purpose of this instruction 'Exposure proof clothing' shall mean an adequate expanded neoprene wet suit providing protection from neck to ankle or a dry suit providing watertight cover from neck to ankle.
- 17.4 DECLARATIONS

Declarations are not required except for boats retiring or who have acknowledged a penalty while racing. This is to be declared on the sheets and stating from which races the boat retired or took a penalty. The location of the declarations will be on the official notice board

18. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 18.1 HELM SUBSTITUTION

Boats must sail with the nominated helm entered for the event. Any change to the nominated helm constitutes a new entry and must be requested in writing to the Race Officer and their written approval given before leaving the shore.

18.2 Sail Numbers

Boats must sail with their corresponding sail numbers to the boat registration documents, Helms may request to use a changed sail number in a request, in writing to the race committee.

19 ADVERTISING

Boats shall display the advertising of the event sponsor, where applicable, supplied by the organising committee on both sides of the forward 25% of the hull. Additional sponsorship material may also be supplied and will be displayed in the lower 25% of the mainsail.

20 PRIZES

- 20.1 Prizes will be at the discretion of the Race Committee having regard to the number of boats entered. The prize giving will take place as soon as possible after racing.

21 SUPPORT BOATS

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 TRASH DISPOSAL

Boats shall not put trash in the water. Trash may be placed aboard support and race committee boats.

23 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make nor receive radio transmissions, text messages or cellular phone calls while racing.

24. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY & INSURANCE

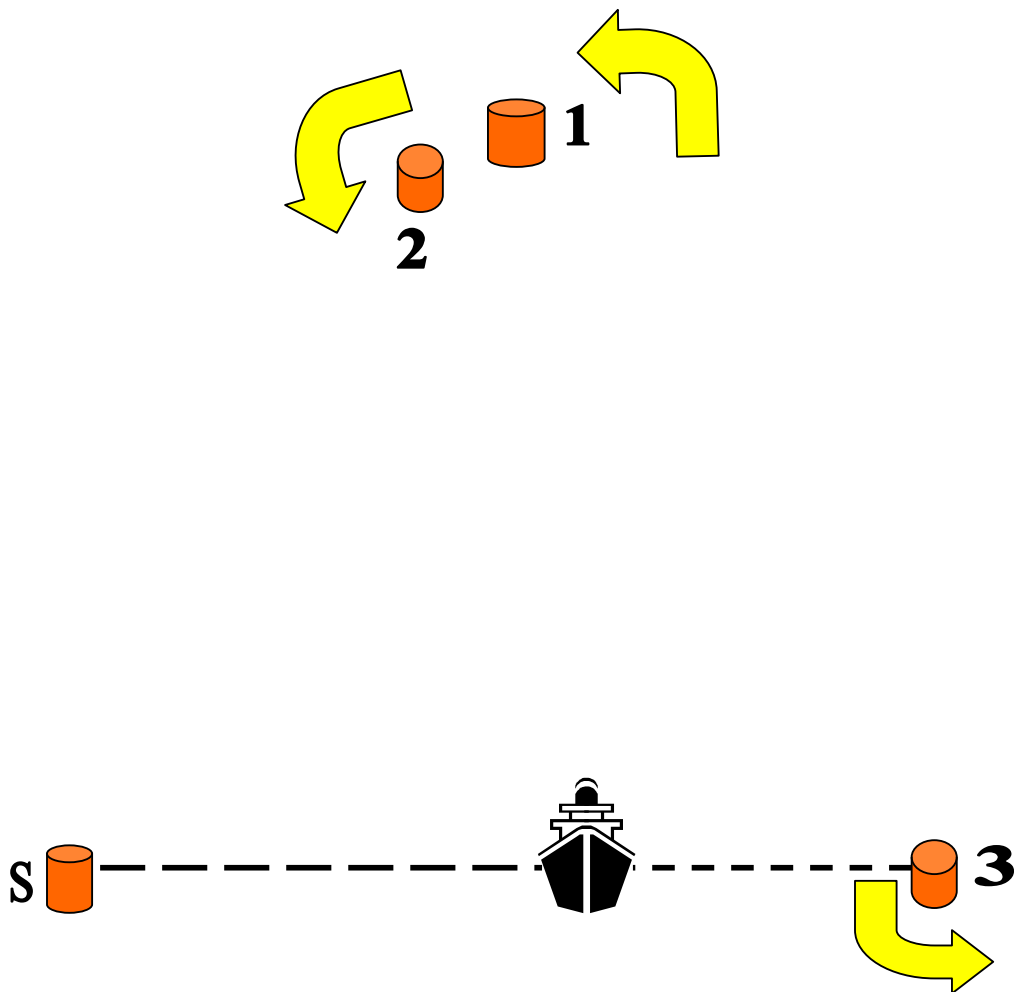
24.1 GENERAL

A boat (both Crew and Boat) is entirely responsible for her own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing, whether in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions or anywhere else, reduces this responsibility. It is for the boat to decide whether she is fit to sail the conditions in which she will find herself. By launching or going to sea, the boat confirms that she is fit for those conditions and her crew is competent to sail and compete in them. Nothing done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of the boat nor will it make the organisers responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury, however it may have occurred, as a result of the boat taking part in the racing. The organisers encompass everyone helping to run the race and the event, and include the organising authority, the race committee, the race officer, patrol boats and beach masters. The provision of patrol boats does not relieve the boat of her responsibilities.

24.2 INSURANCE

No boat shall race unless the boat is currently insured for third party risks to the minimum sum of £3,000,000 per incident (or its equivalent in any other currency) and such insurance shall be valid for the helmsperson who will be racing her.

ATTACHMENT A - COURSE DIAGRAM



1 Lap: Start, 1 (P), 2 (P), Gate

Where:

Gate is between the Committee Boat, which will be left to starboard, and Mark 3, which will be **rounded** to Port.

Finish is between the Committee Boat, which will be left to starboard, and Mark 3, which will be left to Port.

ATTACHMENT B

Local Rules

- 1 All sailing, including club racing, is controlled by Draycote Water Sailing Club and may take place only when the Club Burgee is flying on the flagstaff in front of the Clubhouse. The Race Committee may decide to control the open meeting solely from a Committee Boat when normal club sailing has been abandoned or sailing is outside normal club sailing times. In this case the Committee Boat will fly the club burgee meaning that only open meeting competitors may sail.
- 2 All entrants and authorized guests will be deemed to be temporary members of Draycote Water Sailing Club during the period of the open meeting and, as such, will abide by all of the Club rules and by-laws and may sail only the boat entered for the open meeting.
- 3 All entrants and authorized guests shall also comply with the following **Water Authority Regulations** and DWSC reserves the right to disqualify without a hearing any competitor who does not comply with these local rules **(this changes RRS 63.1 and A5):-**
 - a) **No parking** of vehicles on any roadways, slipways or grass areas. Once the trailer and boat are unloaded at the drop off point, all vehicles shall return either to the main club car park, if spaces are available, or to the public 'pay & display' car park, or to another area specifically indicated by the organisers.
 - b) **Dogs** are not allowed on the site. They may be walked in the adjacent Country Park.
 - c) A **declaration** must be signed to state that visiting boats are clean and free from pollution and non-native invasive species before being brought on to site. For people unable to sign this declaration, a washing down point is provided in the main club car park.