



WEST HOE SAILING CLUB

SATURDAY ONE DESIGN SERIES

NOTICE OF RACE

Organising Authority: West Hoe Sailing Club

The WHSC Saturday One Design Series is open to Squibs, J24s and Seascope 18s and will be held on five Saturday mornings between 18th May and 7th September 2019. Starting at 1130 the racing, from a Committee Boat start line, will consist of up to six short upwind/downwind races with quick turn arounds. Depending upon the wind strength racing is targeted to finish at 1430. The series may be open to other small keelboat and dinghy one design classes by agreement.

1. Rules

- 1.1 The WHSC Saturday One Design Series will be governed by the rules as defined by The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 Boats will be racing within the boundaries of the Port of Plymouth and all the pertinent regulations will apply.
- 1.3 Any changes to the Racing Rules will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions.

2. Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1 The One Design Series is open to Squibs, J24s and Seascope 18s. If there is sufficient interest the Race Committee will give consideration to other small keelboat and dinghy one design classes. All boats must hold a valid measurement certificate.
- 2.2 Boats may enter by completing the online entry form on the WHSC website www.whsc.org.uk . Payment must be made by BACS in accordance with the instructions on the Entry Form.

3. Fees

- 3.1 The complete 30 Race Series - WHSC Members £12 Non Members - £35
Each individual Saturday - WHSC Members - £4 Non Members - £10

Note: For details of WHSC membership see www.whsc.org.uk

4. Schedule

- 4.1 The One Design Series will take place on the following dates:
 - Saturday 18th May 2019
 - Saturday 6th July 2019
 - Saturday 27th July 2019
 - Saturday 10th August 2019
 - Saturday 7th September 2019
- 4.2 It is intended to have up to 6 short races on each Saturday.
- 4.3 The first Warning Signal will be at 1125.
- 4.4 The starting sequence for the next race will commence immediately when all classes have completed each race.

- 4.5 The Target Time for completing racing each Saturday is 1430, but this may need to be extended dependent on the wind conditions at the time.

5. Notices to Competitors & Sailing Instructions

- 5.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available to download from the WHSC website www.whsc.org.uk which shall be treated as the Official Notice Board.
- 5.2 Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the WHSC website and sent to entrants by e-mail at least 24 hours before the next race.

6. Courses

- 6.1 The course will be a short windward/leeward course from a Committee Boat start in Plymouth Sound to the north of the Breakwater.
- 6.2 The Start Line Outer Distance Mark will be a Dan Buoy. The Windward Mark will be either one of the standard Plymouth Sound Racing Marks or other Dan, Small Spherical or a Yellow Inflatable Buoy.

7. Scoring

- 7.1 The Low Point System RRS Appendix A4 will apply except as amended below.
- 7.2 At least two boats in a class must start to constitute a race. Sail-overs are not permitted.
- 7.3 All races will count to determine the winner of each class on each Saturday racing.
- 7.4 The overall Series scores will be calculated from all Saturday races sailed subject to the following discard table:
- 24 or more Saturday races sailed - 20 races to count
 - 18 to 20 Saturday races sailed - 16 races to count
 - Less than 18 Saturday races sailed - All races to count

8. Radio Communications

- 8.1 A VHF Radio capable of operating on Channels 16, 14 and 72. shall be carried by all boats.
- 8.2 The Race Officer will maximise the use of VHF during the starting process and passing instructions to boats.

9. Prizes

- 9.1 Prizes will be awarded for the first boat in each class on each Saturday.
- 9.2 Prizes will be awarded for the first three boats in each class in the overall series.

10. Risk Statement

10.1 Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states:

The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers' alone.

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that: -

- (a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- (b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- (c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- (d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- (e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- (f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
- (g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing for the event.

11.0 Insurance

11.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with a valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000 per incident or equivalent.

12. Further Information

12.1 For further information please contact: John Barton mob. 07387 429466 or email jbarton853@outlook.com