

Sailing Instructions

BYS North Windsurfing

Regional Junior Championships

Glossop SC

Saturday 19th September 2020

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The British Youth Sailing (BYS) Midlands Windsurfing Regional Junior Championships at Glossop Sailing Club (GSC)

The Organising Authority is the Royal Yachting Association (RYA) in conjunction with GSC

1. Rules

The Racing will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing. Special attention is drawn to the RYA Racing Charter.

Competitors' attention is drawn to the local rules as detailed in the Notice of Race.

For infringements of rules other than in Parts 1 and 2 of the RRS, the protest committee may award a penalty less than disqualification. [DP]

Please note that this event is being run in exceptional times. Please be aware of all government and RYA advice to ensure the safety of all involved.

This event is intended to be a FUN day for all involved and will contain a mix of training and racing all run by RYA coaches.

2. Official Notice Board

There is no official notice board for this event to avoid "gatherings".

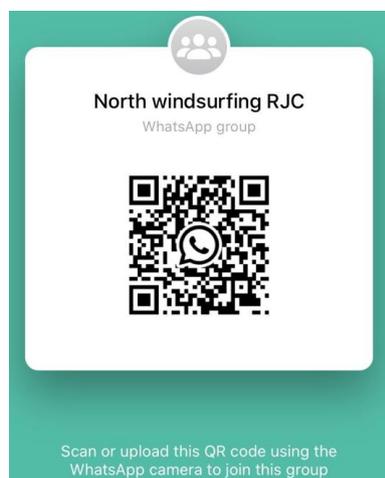
Information will be passed to competitors by the coaching team.

3. Briefing

There will be an online meeting at 19:00 on Friday 18th September 2020 to give details about the event. The link will be sent out by email to all those who have entered the event.

Additionally, the coaching team who are running the event will brief small groups prior to sailing.

4. Notices to Competitors



By scanning the code above  , you can join the WhatsApp group for the event. This is an unofficial form of communication, but is designed to help with letting people know what is going on. By joining this group, please be aware that your number will be visible to all on the group.

5. Changes to Sailing Instructions

Any changes will be advised by the coaching team verbally, or by the WhatsApp group.

6. Signals Made Ashore

Signals made ashore might be displayed on the signals mast at Glossop SC.

No board shall leave the shore until advised to do so by the coaching team or event official.

Flag AP may be displayed ashore to signify racing is postponed. Should AP be displayed with a Class Flag, the postponement will apply only to the fleets whose Class Flags are displayed.

Flag	Description
	When Flag AP is displayed ashore race signal AP is changed in that "1 minute" is replaced by 'not less than 20 minutes'. This changes race signal AP.

7. Schedule of Races

Racing is scheduled as follows:

Championship Fleets

Day	Races	Time of Warning Signal
Saturday	Up to 6 Races	Scheduled time of warning signal for first race will be advised by the coaching team

Competitors should be prepared to do races "back to back".
No warning signal will be made after 16:00 on Saturday.

8. Class Flags & Identification

Windsurfers

Class	Description	Picture
Techno 4.5 and 5.8	Code Flag T	
Techno 6.8 and 7.8	Code Flag O	

9. Racing Area

Racing will take place on Torside Reservoir.

10. The Courses for Championship Fleets

The coaching team will describe the courses to all competitors at the briefings.

11. Obstructions

A safety boat or competitor in difficulty is an obstruction.

12. Marks

Mark colours and description will be confirmed at the briefings.

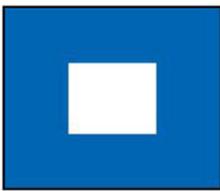
Starting marks will be a race committee boat displaying an orange flag at the starboard end and a spherical yellow buoy at the port end:

Finishing marks will be a race committee boat displaying a blue flag and a boat and a spherical yellow buoy.

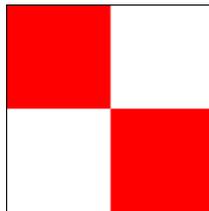
13. The Start

Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26.

Title	Minutes Before Starting Signal	Flag & Sound
Warning	5 minutes	Class Flag Displayed; 1 sound signal
Preparatory	4 minutes	Either Flag P, Flag U, I Flag or Black Flag Displayed; 1 sound signal
1 minute period	1 minute	Either Flag P, Flag U, I Flag or Black Flag Removed; 1 long sound signal
Starting	0 minute	Class Flag Removed ; 1 sound signal



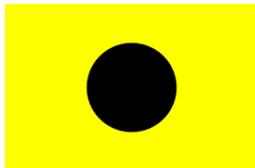
P Flag



U Flag



Black Flag



I Flag

There will be a gap of not less than one minute after a start before the warning signal for the subsequent class. If there is a General Recall, then the subsequent classes' start will be delayed in order to maintain the start sequence.

The starting line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on the starting marks.

Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall not sail within an area extending 50m from the start line and its marks. [DP]

A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes RRS A4.1.

14. CHANGE OF COURSE AFTER THE START

The race committee may move a mark (or the finishing line) up to 100m without signaling the change. No other changes will be made during racing this changes RRS 33.

15. The Finish

The Finishing line will be between a mast on the Race Committee boat displaying a Blue flag and a spherical yellow buoy.

16. Time limit.

Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes of the first board in their class will be scored as DNF. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

Class	Target Time	Time Limit for First board to Finish
Windsurfers	10-20 Minutes	35 Minutes

17. Radio Communication

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

18. Post Race Penalty, Advisory Hearings & Arbitration Hearings.

The Post Race Penalty, Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules Disputes procedures shall apply. The outcome of an RYA Arbitration can be referred to a protest committee, but an arbitration cannot be reopened or appealed. Notices explaining the procedures will be available on the official notice board.

19. Protests

Any protests will be dealt with by the coaching team / officials. Please declare any protest situations to one of the coaches as soon as possible after the race.

20. Scoring

The Low Point scoring system of Appendix A will apply.

One race is required to be completed to constitute a regatta for all boats.

Each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores with her worst score discarded if three or more races are completed.

To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a boat shall complete a scoring enquiry form available from the official Notice board.

21. Safety

All competitors shall wear a personal flotation device at all times when afloat, except briefly when changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. This changes RRS 40.[DP]

A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.[DP]

Boats wishing to sail ashore before the end of the day's racing shall not do so unless authorized by a safety boat. The safety boat will instruct boats in the procedure for returning ashore

Boats shall follow the instructions of the safety boats. Failure to do so will be reported to the race committee, which may protest the boat. Boats penalised under this instruction may be scored DNE, or such other penalty that the protest committee may decide. This changes RRS 64.1(a).

22. Replacement of Crew or Equipment [DP]

Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the coaching team.

23. Official Boats

Official boats will be as follows:

Race Committee Boats
Safety Boats
Coach Boats

24. Support Boats

Only official boats (those invited by and registered with the organisers) may launch at GSC Slipway. There shall be no communication with competitors while afloat except by official boats. Food, drink and rubbish may NOT be placed on official boats.

25. Boats and Competitors in Difficulty

When the race committee considers that a boat or competitor is in difficulty it may instruct the boat or competitor to accept outside help, retire or sail ashore.

26. Prizes

Prizes are detailed in the Notice of Race.

27. Risk Statement

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 omission;
- 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 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 held for the event;

28. COVID Statement

By taking part in the event covered by this sailing instruction, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that they are responsible for complying with any regulations in force at the time of the event in respect of COVID-19 and for complying with the Glossop SC and RYA COVID-19 procedures. Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Failure to comply may be misconduct. Reasonable actions by event officials to implement COVID-19 guidance, protocols or legislation, even if they later prove to have been unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions.

Parents and guardians should, as far as possible, restrict their numbers to equal those of the competitors they are accompanying

29. Insurance

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3 million per event or the equivalent.