



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

RS200 Open Meeting

Frensham Pond Sailing Club

Saturday 28th October

Pond Lane, Churt, GU10 2QA, UK

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing [RRS]*, together with the Notice of Race, the prescriptions of the RYA, the rules of the class(es) whose Open Meeting it is, and these Sailing Instructions (SIs). In cases of conflict, these SIs will take precedence.

2 CLUB MEMBERSHIP

- 2.1 All competitors are entitled to the privileges of membership of the Club for the duration of the event.

3 HELMS

- 3.1 A boat may be helmed by more than one person, but the points obtained by different helms will not be cumulative. A competitor may helm only one boat. Helm and crew may not exchange places during a race except temporarily in an emergency. The Race Officer must be informed of any changes of helm.

4 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 4.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board as defined during the briefing.

5 CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1 Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted at least 30 minutes before the first race to which the change applies.

6 CODE OF CONDUCT

- 6.1 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials. *[For meaning of [DP], see RRS Introduction Notation.]*

7 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 7.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the Club flagstaff by the Clubhouse.
- 7.2 When code flag AP is displayed ashore the first warning signal will be made not less than 20 minutes after it is lowered.

8 SCHEDULE OF BRIEFING AND RACES

- 8.1 See the Notice of Race, section 6.
- 8.2 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed at least one minutes before a warning signal is made.

9 CLASS FLAGS

- 9.1 Class Flags will be defined at the briefing.

10 SAILS & SAIL NUMBERS

- 10.1 Except with the prior permission of the Race Officer no dinghy shall use any sails other than her own. Permission will be refused if the sail number is the same as one of the other entries.

11 PERSONAL BUOYANCY

- 11.1 Rule 40.1 applies.

12 RACING MARKS & COURSES

- 12.1 See the Notice of Race, section 7.

13 LOCAL RULES AND HAZARDS

- 13.1 The helm of a capsized boat may request a safety boat to assist with raising its mast to the water surface. This will be held not to infringe RRS 41.
- 13.2 Boats may not sail into the swimming areas, marked by lines of buoys and situated in the north-east sector of the pond perimeter.

14 THE START

- 14.1 Races will be started using RRS 26.
- 14.2 The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on a committee boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 14.3 A boat does not have to be afloat at her preparatory signal. This changes RRS 45.

14.5 A boat that does not start within 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

15 LEAD BOAT

15.1 A boat flying flag "L" may motor around the course ahead of the fleet. This will be held not to infringe RRS 41.

16 CHANGE OF COURSE AFTER THE START

16.1 A change of bearing of any mark after the start will be signalled using flag C before the leading boat has begun the leg, although the repositioned mark may not then be in its new position. Any mark to be rounded after rounding the repositioned mark may also be relocated to maintain as far as possible the original course configuration.

17 THE FINISH

17.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on a committee boat and either a dropped mark or a nearby mark of the course.

17.2 The race will be finished by shortening the course, as a number of laps will not be displayed (see the Notice of Race section 7.4). The race will be shortened in accordance with the race target time (see the Notice of Race section 6.3), but if the prevailing conditions are not considered favourable then the race may be finished earlier.

18 TIME LIMIT

18.1 The Race Officer may impose a time limit, in which case boats failing to finish within fifteen minutes after the first boat finishes will be scored "Did Not Finish". This changes RRS 35.

19 PROTESTS

19.1 Protests must be lodged with the Race Officer within 20 minutes of the last boat finishing (or similarly after the following race(s) if held back-to-back) on the form provided. Protest arbitration will be held as soon as practicable after the race. Only the arbitration process will be available on the day of the event.

19.2 In the event of any dispute, other than protests under World Sailing/RYA rules, the decision of the Race Committee is to be final.

19.3 In the event of any dispute all parties to the dispute will be given the opportunity to participate in an arbitration. The arbitration process will be held between all parties and an independent judge.

19.4 Any penalties resulting from an arbitration will be 30% of the competitor's overall score.

