



Sailing Instructions Incorporating Notice of Race
Harbour Race Joint Event - Chichester YC & Dell Quay SC
28th May 2022

**The Organising Authorities are Chichester YC (CYC), Chichester Marina, Birdham Road,
Chichester PO20 7EJ and Dell Quay Sailing Club (DQSC), Apuldram, Chichester, PO20 7EE**

1. RULES

- 1.1 Races will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021 – 2024*.
- 1.2 Racing rules 32.2 (shortened courses), 35 (time limits and scores), 63.1 (requirement for a hearing), A (scoring) will be changed. Any further changes are outlined within this document.
- 1.3 Competitors should note that the organising authorities implements the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be required to sail in compliance with the charter, which can be found in the RYA rule book and at <http://www.rya.org.uk/racing/Pages/RacingCharter.aspx>
- 1.4 Chichester Yacht Club and Dell Quay Sailing Club follow the Chichester Harbour Code of Conduct for Racing and by entering any series competitors agree to sail in compliance with this code. Details can be found here <https://chifed.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/Chi-Harbour-Federation-Race-Code-of-Conduct-30-11-20.pdf>.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 Races are open to monohull centreboard/daggerboard boats of classes with a [current 2022 RYA Portsmouth Yardstick](#) **not greater than 1210**. Boats not listed may be accepted and allocated a number at the Race Committee's discretion.
- 2.2 DQSC Entries may be made by signing on online here <https://form.jotform.com/201104430150028>. CYC Entries may be made by signing online at <https://www.cyc.co.uk/events/event/dinghies-harbour-race/>. Competitors should ensure they provide all details including crew where relevant and should sign-on the day of the race and no later than 30 minutes from published start time. For DQSC a QR code links to the sign on page can be found in the online DQSC Calendar, Dinghy Park, at the bottom of the Course Board, in the Race Box and dotted around the club. No paper entries are accepted. If you have problems signing-on please advise the DQSC Race Officer in the race box.
- 2.3 Competitors must grant to the organising authorities without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any report, result, video or still pictures of or relating to the races.
- 2.4 Boats needing to sail with sail numbers differing from those under which they have entered must seek approval from the Race Officer prior to the first race in which they sail with the changed numbers. All competitors must ensure that the sail has a suitable sail number identification.



3 FEES

- 3.1 For both CYC and DQSC members there is no race fee.
- 3.2 All boats must display a current Chichester Harbour Plaque. Boats not displaying such a plaque will be scored DNC.

4 SCHEDULE

- 4.1 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the Harbour Race is **09:55hrs**, (5min ,4, 1, 0 race prestart sequence - see APPENDIX). High water time is **11:28 hrs** and the Height is 4.3m
- 4.2 The digital clock in the DQSC race box is synchronised to the clock above the course board in the DQSC club. Both run to **GPS time** per <https://time.is/>.

5. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 5.1 Official communications will be posted on the CYC and DQSC Official Notice Boards, located in their respective clubhouses.

6. CHANGES TO SI's

- 6.1 Any changes in these Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Boards a minimum of one hour before the published start time of the event.

7. VENUE

- 7.1 The **single** handicap race start will be based at **Dell Quay Sailing Club (Shore based start line)**. The race finish will be at the respective clubs on their shore club lines.
- 7.2 Racing will take place in Chichester Harbour. A chart of the racing area and associated marks can be [HERE](#)
- 7.3 **Thorney Channel Beacons:** Boats on any leg to or from marks in the Thorney Channel shall pass on the channel side of the Thorney port and starboard 'goal post' beacons marking the ends of the piles at the entrance to the Thorney Channel.

8. SIGNALS

- 8.1 Signals for races using shore-based line starts will be displayed at the DQSC Race Box at the western end of the red brick building. The **H board** flag will be used for the Harbour Race start - see APPENDIX for the Flag Guide.
- 8.2 Boats may be held ashore by displaying flag D and may not leave the shore until this is removed. Postponed start times will take account of this instruction.



- 8.3 Other signals, such as change of course, come within hailing distance etc. will be displayed outside the race box window. A guide to the flags used at DQSC can be found in the appendix of this document.

9 RACE AREA AND COURSES

- 9.1 The course will be displayed on the board in the South Eastern corner of the DQSC clubhouse. The course is not to be considered final until the slider on the board has been moved from **red** (provisional) to **green** (confirmed) by the RO. The same course will be displayed on the white board in the CYC Sloop. The course will also be posted on the **'Harbour Race CYC/DQSC' WhatsApp group**
- 9.2 A change to the course already displayed will be signalled by displaying **flags L and C** on the DQSC Race Box until the warning signal of the race affected. This changes RRS Race Signals. In the event of a change of course, the new course will be displayed on the end of the quay on a white board easel.

10 THE START

- 10.1 **Shore based start:** The DQSC Start Line is the extension of a line between the striped, orange post on the Race Box and the striped, orange post (moveable transit) on the edge of the quay. An inner distance mark may be laid to create separation from the quay in the case of fishing events or extreme start line angles.
NOTE - the round yellow racing mark 'Quay' does not form part of the start line.
- 10.2 **Committee Boat Start:** The committee boat start line will be between a staff / pole displaying an orange flag on the committee boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark which will be a small pillar cylindrical buoy. There may be an Inner Distance Mark in the proximity of the committee boat. The inner distance mark may not be on the line and competitors may not pass between this mark and the committee boat.
- 10.3 The DQSC starting line will be closed ten minutes after the start of a race; any boat not then started will be scored as DNS (*this changes RRS A4*).

11 THE FINISH – NOTE: Separate finish lines for CYC and DQSC race competitors.

- 11.1 **For DQSC race competitors only, the DQSC Shore based finish:** The DQSC Finish Line is the extension of a line between the striped, orange fixed post on the Race Box and racing mark Quay. An outer distance mark *may* be laid but will not necessarily lie on the line. **Note - The mark 'Quay' denotes the finish line, not the moveable transit.**
- 11.2 **For DQSC race competitors only the DQSC Committee Boat Finish Line:** The committee boat finish line will be between a staff/pole displaying a blue flag on the committee boat. The other end of the line which will be a small orange pillar buoy or alternatively may be a racing mark of the course.
- 11.3 **For CYC race competitors only, the CYC Shore Club finish line:** The Club finish line will be a transit of the line between the tall flag pole in front of the CYC starters hut and a shorter prominent pole on the foreshore. The Yellow marker post known as **Perch** is the Outer Distance Mark.



12 PENALTIES, PROTESTS & REDRESS

- 12.1 Protests and requests for redress shall be handed in within 30 minutes of the last boat finishing in the last race of the day. The time limit may be extended at the Race Officer's discretion.
- 12.2 Protest forms will be available upon request from the Race Officer.
- 12.3 Notices shall be posted on the '**Harbour Race CYC/DQSC**' WhatsApp group no later than 60 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
- 12.4 The RYA Alternative Disputes Resolution (modified) will be implemented. Details are available on the DQSC website [HERE](#) and on the club official notice board.
- 12.5 A boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 of the Racing Rules of Sailing or rule 31 may, after finishing the race concerned and before the start of any related protest hearing, notify the race committee that she accepts an Exoneration Penalty – a **30%** scoring penalty (SCP) calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c), except that the minimum penalty is three places and she shall not be scored worse than the number of boats that came to the starting area. However, if the boat caused injury or serious damage or, despite taking a penalty, gained a significant advantage in the race or series by her breach her penalty shall be to retire.
- 12.6 When an Exoneration Penalty is accepted: (a) Neither the boat nor a protest committee may then revoke or remove the penalty. (b) The boat shall not be penalized further in a protest hearing when the protest committee decides that it was appropriate to the facts found and the applicable rules

13 SCORING (this changes RRS appendix A)

- 13.1 Two entrants are required to constitute a race.



13.2 In the event of a mistake or query in the results, please notify the **respective Club Race Results Officer**. (For DQSC If the RO has left the club, please send details to pro@dellquaysc.co.uk who can clarify the results and arrange to have HalSail updated where required).

14 TIME LIMIT

14.1 The time limit shall be **2 hours 30 mins**. A boat failing to finish within thirty minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored DNF without a hearing. (*this changes RRS 35, A4 and A5*).

14.2 The limit may be extended at the Race Officer's discretion.

15 PRIZES

15.1 Prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the respective CYC and DQSC race committees.

16 BOATS AND COMPETITORS IN DIFFICULTY

16.1 Competitors are reminded of the obligation in Rule 1.1 in the Racing Rules of Sailing that 'A boat or competitor shall give all possible help to any person or vessel in danger'.

17 RISK STATEMENT

17.1 Rule 3 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."

17.2 Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, competitors agree and acknowledge 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 by the event organizer does not relieve competitors of their responsibilities

18 INSURANCE

- 18.1 Each participating boat must have third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2 million per claim.

19 SAFETY REGULATIONS *(this changes RRS 63.1)*

- 19.1 Declarations are not required. All competitors shall sign-on minimum 30 mins before published start time and sign-off within 60 minutes of finishing the race. This time limit may be extended at the Race Officer's discretion.
- 19.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify a CYC or DQSC Patrol Boat or alternatively the respective Clubs Race Officer as soon as possible.

20. CONTACT DETAILS

PRO – Will Parrett: 07584 086679 / pro@dellquaysc.co.uk

PRO Standby (can be consulted when PRO not in attendance) – Mark Harper: 07711 035809

APPENDIX

See below for Flag Guide and Course Map.

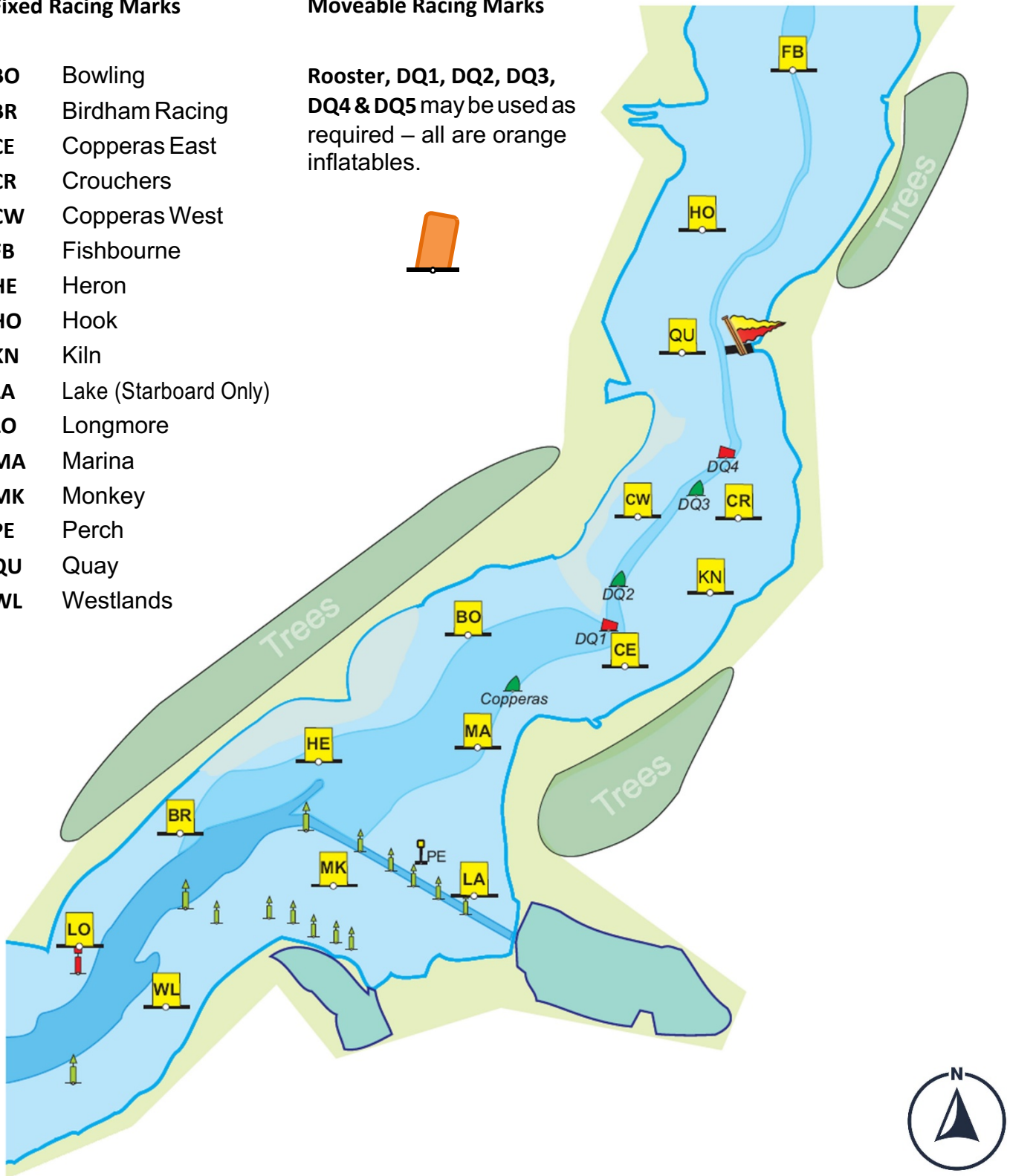
Racing Marks of Dell Quay Sailing Club & Chichester Yacht Club

Fixed Racing Marks

- BO Bowling
- BR Birdham Racing
- CE Copperas East
- CR Crouchers
- CW Copperas West
- FB Fishbourne
- HE Heron
- HO Hook
- KN Kiln
- LA Lake (Starboard Only)
- LO Longmore
- MA Marina
- MK Monkey
- PE Perch
- QU Quay
- WL Westlands

Moveable Racing Marks

Rooster, DQ1, DQ2, DQ3, DQ4 & DQ5 may be used as required – all are orange inflatables.

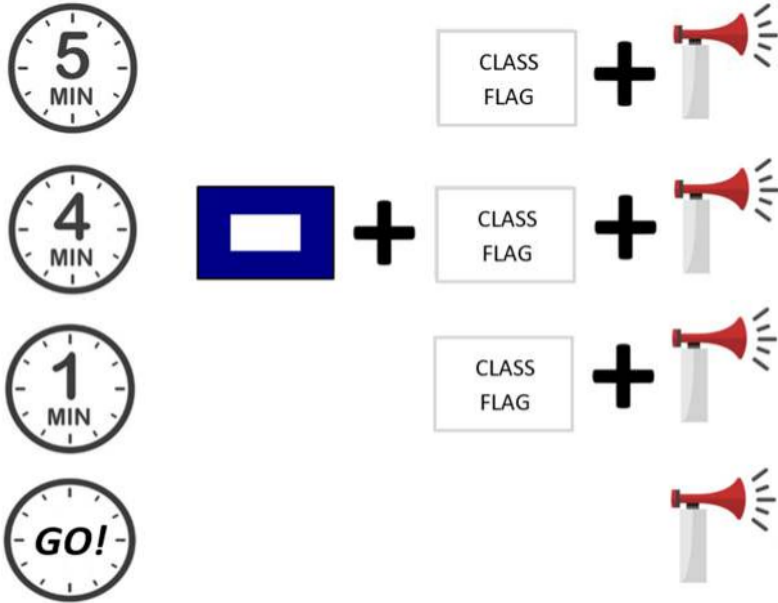



Notes

CLASS FLAGS

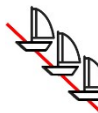


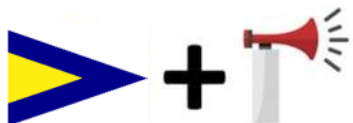
START SEQUENCE



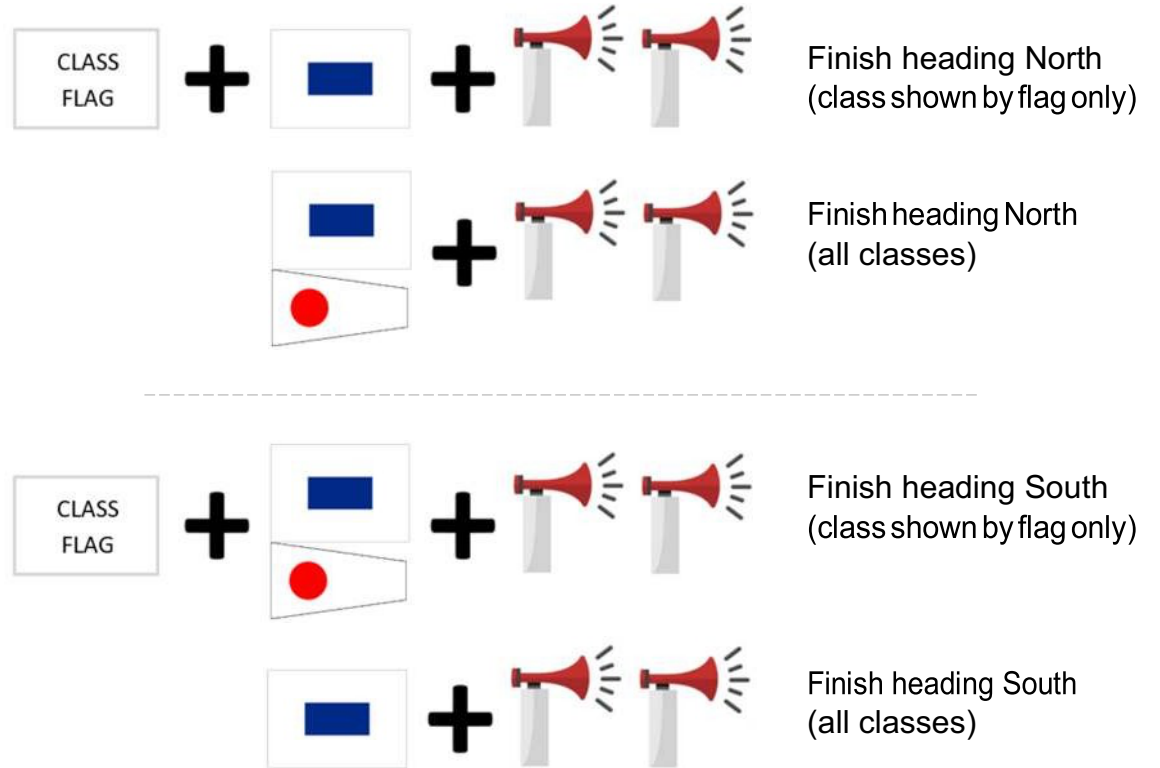
 **Individual Recall**—one/some boats over the line
Flag will lower when all boats over have passed behind line.



 **General Recall** - many boats over the line.
Start sequence will reset.



SHORTENED COURSES



OTHER COMMON SIGNALS

