

## Standing Orders

### *RACING STANDING ORDERS*

**1. Standing Orders:** *By participating in Club racing, skippers and boat owners confirm adherence and compliance to these Standing Orders.*

**2. Notice of Race:** Races will be displayed on the notice boards and may be displayed in the yearbook, and on the website. All are subject to change at the Race Committee discretion.

**3. Sportsmanship:** The Club operates racing as a fun activity and due to various constraints may from time to time require competitors to record their own finish times on certain races. These should be recorded from a GPS clock (or clock synchronised with club clock) and you are politely reminded to comply with RRS 2 & 69.

### **4. Liability:**

**4.1** The safety of a yacht and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the person in charge who must do his best to ensure that the yacht is fully found, thoroughly seaworthy and manned by an experienced crew who have undergone appropriate training and are physically fit to face bad weather. He must be satisfied as to the soundness of hull, spars, rigging, sails and all gear. He must ensure that all safety equipment is properly maintained and stowed and that the crew know where it is kept and how it is

to be used. The establishment of these regulations and their use by race organisers does not in any way limit or reduce the complete and unlimited responsibility of the person in charge.

**4.2** RRS4 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 Club racing, 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 committee, course, other officials and volunteers by the Club does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;

**6. Insurance:** Members' boats shall carry adequate third party liability insurance of at least TWO million pounds sterling (£2,000,000), or higher if required by Class Rules. Yachts shall not compete in races without racing risks insurance.

## **7. Race Officers:**

**7.1** The list of Officers of the Day (OODs) for Wednesdays will be posted on the club noticeboard and may be put on the website. Anyone unable to carry out their duties **MUST** obtain a substitute and inform Jimmy Short.

**7.2** The list of Officers of the Day (OODs) for other races may be posted on the club noticeboard or advised at the pre-race briefing.

**8. Protest procedures:** As the Club is trying to encourage fun racing the Race Committee will not generally hold protest hearings, however it reserves the right to do so and a protest committee will be advised at that time. In the event of an incident involving injury or damage, the Club will appoint suitable qualified professionals to hear a protest in this regard.

**9. Prizes:** All races will be run as open, meaning membership of the Club is not required, however silverware can only be presented to Full Members of TCC.

**10. Rules:** All races will be held under the 'Racing Rules of Sailing', as laid down by the I.S.A.F. unless otherwise stated in instructions.

**11. The Race Committee:** For 2015 this consists of the Arran Cameron (Hon Racing Secretary), Jonathan Dickie, Stuart Powrie, Jimmy Short and Robin Ferguson

*The Racing Committee*

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