

# **GP 14 Travellers / Enterprise Open Event 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> June 2017**

**Castle Semple Sailing Club**  
**Castle Semple Loch, Lochwinnoch**

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

**1 RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017-2020*.
- 1.2 Racing Rule 40.1 will be changed as follows. When on the water competitors shall wear lifejackets or other adequate personal buoyancy. Wet suits and dry-suits are not adequate personal buoyancy.

**2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located at Castle Semple S.C. Clubhouse

**3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted at least 1 hour before the warning signal on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

**4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the clubhouse flagpole.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 15 minutes' in the race signal AP.

**5 SCHEDULE OF RACES**

- 5.1 Dates of racing / Number of races:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Warning Signal</u>	<u>Start Time</u>	<u>Number of Races</u>
10th June 2017	Enterprise	12:55	13:00	3
10th June 2017	GP 14	13:00	13:05	3
11th June 2017	Enterprise	10:25	10:30	3
11th June 2017	GP 14	10:30	10:35	3

- 5.2 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 14:30 hrs.

**6 CLASS FLAGS**

The Enterprise class flag will be Flag E  and the GP14 class flag will be Flag A 

**7 RACING AREA**

The race area is Castle Semple Loch.

**8 THE COURSES AND SHORTENED COURSES**

The courses will be displayed on the start boat in the form of white numbers or letters on a green or red background, the order of rounding marks reading from left to right. The background colour indicates on which side a particular mark is to be passed.

Each race may be started with the number of laps indicated by a black number on a white background at the right-hand end of the course displayed on the start boat.

In the event of a shortened course (to achieve an approximate race duration of 40 – 60 minutes) flag S shall be displayed and two sound signals made from a support boat located adjacent to the mark where the course will be shortened. The signals shall be made well prior to the leading boat rounding the relevant mark. This mark shall then be passed on the required side as displayed at the start and all boats shall then proceed to round this mark and sail directly to pass between mark 1 and the club house flagpole to finish (direct means no hook finishing). This shortening shall apply to both fleets.

## **9 MARKS**

Marks 1 - 9 are orange or yellow spherical buoys marked with these numbers. Approximate positions of these are depicted on a card which is available on entering for the event.

Mark A is a large orange tubular inflatable mark. Mark A is movable and will always be the first mark after the start. Mark 1 shall only be used for the finish.

## **10 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTION**

N/A. There are shallower areas that should be avoided which will be explained at briefing.

Care should be taken not to interfere with fishermen's lines cast from shore.

## **11 THE START**

Races will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal. The starting signal for the Enterprise class will be the warning signal for the GP14 class.

The starting line will be the line between the flag pole carrying an orange flag on the starting boat and a small yellow spherical mark at the outer end. The start line is only used for the starts and has no effect on subsequent laps.

Recalls will be signalled as indicated in the Racing Rules. In the event of a general recall, the recalled class shall clear the starting line and go to the back of the starting sequence. In the event of a second general recall the classes will then re-start in their original rotation. The 5 minutes starting sequence will not be interrupted by a general recall i.e. the new warning signal for the recalled class will be the start signal for the other class.

## **12 CHANGES TO THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

Legs of the course will not be changed after the preparatory signal. This changes rule 33.

## **13 THE FINISH**

The finishing line will be the line between mark 1 and the clubhouse flagpole, and finishing boats will receive a sound signal.

## **14 PENALTY SYSTEM**

The two-turn penalty as described in RRS 44.1 & RRS 44.2 shall apply. The scoring penalty, rule 44.3, will not apply.

## 15 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

15.1 Time limits and target times are as follows:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Time Limit</u>	<u>Windward Mark Time</u> <u>Limit</u>	<u>Target Time</u>
Enterprise & GP14	90 mins	30 mins	40 - 60 mins

If no boat has passed the first windward mark (i.e. mark A) within the windward mark time limit the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

15.2 Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

## 16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

Protests shall be written on forms available at the clubhouse and delivered there within 45 minutes of the last boat to finish that race, or when races are sailed consecutively without coming ashore, within 45 minutes of the time of the last boat to finish the last race of the day.

## 17 SCORING

The event will be scored using Appendix A (*Low Point System*). Six (6) races are scheduled, of which three (3) races shall be completed to constitute a valid series. Each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores with her worst score discarded if four (4) or more races have been completed. Tie breaks as per Appendix A.

## 18 SAFETY REGULATIONS

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

## 19 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.

## 20 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions.

## 21 TRASH DISPOSAL

Boats shall not put trash in the water. Trash may be placed aboard support boats.

## 22 PRIZES

Prize giving will take place shortly after completion of racing on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June

## 23 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

## 24 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 per event or the equivalent.