



Puppeteer 22 National Championships 2018

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Squib Eastern Championship 2018

28th & 29th July

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1.0 Notice to Competitors

1.1 All notices will be posted on the Championship Notice Board located in the main archway beside the marina office.

2.0 Changes to Sailing Instructions or Schedule of Races

2.1 Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted at least 2 hours before the start on the day it will take effect except where any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

3.0 Signals Made Ashore

3.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole at the top of the marina walkway and will be accompanied by the appropriate sound signals.

3.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in race signal AP.

4.0 Schedule of Races

Race No.	Day	First Warning Signal
1	Saturday 28 th July	11.30 hrs
2	Saturday 28 th July	As soon as possible after Race 1
3	Saturday 28 th July	As soon as possible after Race 2
4	Sunday 29 th July	11.00 hrs
5	Sunday 29 th July	As soon as possible after Race 4
6	Sunday 29 th July	As soon as possible after Race 5

NOTE: Race 6 will be sailed only by the Puppeteer Fleet.

If in the opinion of the Race Committee, it is deemed prudent to hold race four immediately after race three on Saturday 28th July, International Code Flag Q will be displayed at the finish of race 3. This decision shall be solely at the discretion of the Race Committee.

5.0 Courses

Courses will be Trapezoid style courses, laid approx. as shown in the diagram in the attached appendix and with marks rounded in the sequence listed on the diagrams.

The Class Flag for the Puppeteer Class is International Code Flag A. The Class Flag for the Squib Class is International Code Flag K

6.0 Shortening Courses

The course may be shortened at any mark of the course in accordance with RRS Race Signals "S".

7.0 Marks

7.1 Marks 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 will be black inflatables. The Start Mark will be an orange cylindrical mark and the Finish Mark will be a red/orange spherical mark.

8.0 The Start

8.1 The start line shall be between the Red and White striped pole or the main mast on the committee boat and an orange inflatable mark, which shall be left to Port.

8.2 Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26.

8.3 The start sequence shall be: first warning signal (11.30 on Saturday, 11.00 on Sunday) will be for Puppeteers. The start signal for Puppeteers will be the warning signal for Squibs.

8.3 A boat that has not started 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS - This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

9.0 Change of Position of the Next Mark

9.1 Minor changes to the course (+/- 15 degrees, or +/- 150 metres) will not be signaled.

10.0 The Finish

10.1 The finish line, unless shortened, will be between the Red and White pole, or main mast on the finishing vessel displaying a Blue flag and a small round Orange/Red buoy. Note: the starting mark for the next race may be in position during the finish

11.0 Time Limits

11.1 The time limit for each race shall be 2 hours:

11.2 Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat finishes will be scored DNF. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5

12.0 Protests and Requests for Redress

12.1 Protests shall be lodged with the Protest Convenor (or placed in the protest box) located in the Race Office. A limited number of protest forms may be available in the Race Office, however Protest forms are available to download from HYC website.

12.2 The Protest time limit shall be 1 hour after the last boat in each class finishes racing each day and shall be posted on the Notice Board.

12.3 The Schedule of Protests Hearings shall be posted on the Notice Board within 15 Minutes of the expiry time of the Protest Time Limit.

12.4 Any boat intending to seek Redress or Protest another boat in a Race shall notify the Finishing Vessel of her intention to do so and seek acknowledgement from the Race Officials.

13.0 Scoring System

13.1 The series will be scored as provided in Appendix A of the RRS using the Low Point Scoring System.

13.2 If four or more races are completed, one discard will be allowed.

14.0 Communication to Competitors whilst afloat

14.1 It is strongly recommended that all boats carry a VHF radio.

14.2 The Race Committee may issue communications to Competitors by VHF Radio on Channel 77.

APPENDIX

Puppeteer/Squib Course

Trapezoid Course

- O2 1, 2, 3, 2, 3, 5, Finish
- O3 1, 2, 3, 2, 3, 2, 3, 5, Finish
- O4 1, 2, 3, 2, 3, 2, 3, 2, 3, 5, Finish

- I2 1, 4, 1, 2, 3, 5, Finish
- I3 1, 4, 1, 4, 1, 2, 3, 5, Finish
- I4 1, 4, 1, 4, 1, 4, 1, 2, 3, 5, Finish

Marks 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 to be left to Port



The course to be sailed for each class will be displayed on the starting vessel for not less than 4 minutes before the start of that class.

Note: The Start Mark for a subsequent race may be in position while boats are finishing.