

2018 SAILING EVENTS FOR DINGHY AND KEELBOAT CLUB RACING SERIES

The Organising Authority is the Royal Harwich Yacht Club.

RULES

The races will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017 - 2020, the Sailing Instructions of the Royal Harwich Yacht Club 2018 and the class rules of the competitor.*

ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

The races are open to all members of the Royal Harwich Yacht Club, including guests and day visitors. The Organising Authority will organise race series in accordance with the programme set out in the Club Diary, published on the RHYC website. All boats must display a unique sail number. Entry for races shall be made on the day.

For competitors under the age of 18, the parent or someone over the age of 18 acting in loco parentis shall remain available at or near the club for the duration of the event.

SCHEDULE

The schedule of races is set out in the club programme. Where two or more races are scheduled on the same day races will usually be held "back to back". Races abandoned or postponed may be sailed at a later date of the same series.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The RHYC Sailing Instructions 2018 will apply. These are available on the club website. It is the responsibility of the participating crew to be aware of these instructions and amendments. Any amendments to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

THE COURSE

The course to be sailed will either be posted on course sheets, on the noticeboard outside the race hut or on the committee boat. For keelboats the course may be notified to competitors by radio using Channel P4 (M2).

PENALTY SYSTEM

Penalties will be taken in accordance with Rules 44.1 and 44.2 for the Ajax Class is changed so that the Two-turns penalty is replaced by a One-turn penalty.

SCORING

The low points scoring system of Appendix A will apply. For a series over more than a weekend the number of discards to be given will be half the number of completed races rounded down to the nearest whole number. One race is required to constitute a series.

PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded for each series at the discretion of the RHYC Race Committee.

SUPPORT BOATS

Support boats shall be provided for dinghy races. Only support boats registered with the RHYC Race Committee will be permitted on the race course.

DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The Organising 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.

INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3m per event.