

Sailing Instruction 2019 - Appendix "D" Spring and Autumn Dinghy Series

1. ELIGIBILITY

The April and Autumn Series are open to club and non-club members.

A participation and dinghy parking fee of €50 will apply to non GSC members who will be granted temporary membership for the duration of the series. Temporary members participating in the series will be allocated a numbered dinghy park space for use during the series only. All boats and Trolleys must be clearly identified with name and mobile number of owner, visiting boats **must** be removed from the dinghy pen on 28th April 2019 the last day of the series. All boats in the dinghy pen must be properly maintained and secured. Boats and sailors use the dinghy pen at their own risk, GSC accepts no responsibility for items lost or damaged.

Club boats are not available for the Spring series.

Road trailers may not be left in the dinghy park during or after the April and Autumn Series series.

2. SCHEDULE OF RACES AND SCORING

Spring series: 6th April to 20th April 2019

Autumn series: 21st September to 19th October

Race Day: Saturday

Warning Signal: 2.00pm Sharp

Number of Races: 2 races per day – weather and conditions permitting.

Discards: 60 % of races sailed to count rounded down to the nearest whole number.

Scoring: Low point system will apply. DNF & OCS = Starters +1. DNC = Starters +4.

3. FLEETS

Fleet 1: Fast PY Fleet (Code Flag E)

Fleet 2: Asymmetric Fleet (Code Flag R) including RS Aero

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Fleet 3: Slow PY Fleet (Code Flag J)

Fleet 1: Shall comprise non-asymmetric such as Wayfarers, GP14s, Enterprises, Full rig Lasers, Laser Radials and any other class with a PY less than or equal to 1139 (except RS Feva).

Fleet 1 Code Flag E shall be used. Results will be on PY.

Fleet 2: Asymmetric fleet including all RS Boats including Feva, Bahia, Vago, Aero
Fleet 2 Code Flag R shall be used. Results will be on PY

Fleet 3: Shall comprise Picos, Laser 4.7, Toppers and any other class with a PY greater than 1140.

Fleet 3 Code Flag J shall be used. Results will be on PY.



Please refer to the website for details on the Portsmouth Yardstick (PY) handicap system if required

4. COURSES

COURSE DIAGRAMS



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Course 1: Fast PY Fleet 1: Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 3 – 1 - 2 - 3-Finish.

Course 2: Asymmetric Fleet 2: Start – 1 – 3 – 1 – 3 – 1- 3 - Finish (Feva-Start -1-3-1-3-Finish).

Course 3: Slow PY Fleet 3: Start – 1 – 2 – 4 -Finish

Boats sailing in Fleet 1 and 2, sailing from mark 3 to 1 shall not sail through the Start/Finish line unless finishing the race. Any boat observed breaking this rule by the RO shall be disqualified without hearing, this changes RRS 63.1.

The OD has the discretion to finish any race after 1 or 2 laps for weather or other reasons. When finishing the race in this way the OD will fly the Blue flag from the time the lead boat rounds the leeward mark they will also endeavour to inform the leading boats via the safety RIBs but this may not always be possible.

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5. THE START

Signal	Flag	Sound Signal	Minutes Before Starting Signal
STARTING SEQUENCE: FLEET 1			
	↑ Warning	Fleet 1 Flag Fast PY Fleet	1 Short Signal
			5
	↑ Preparatory	Code Flag P	1 Short Signal
			4
	↓ One-minute	Preparatory Flag Down	1 Long Signal
			1
	↓ Starting	Fleet Flag Down	1 Signal
			0 (& Fleet 2, 5 Min)
STARTING SEQUENCE: FLEET 2			
	↑ Warning	Fleet 2 Flag Asymmetric Fleet	1 Short Signal
			5
	↑ Preparatory	Code Flag P	1 Short Signal
			4
	↓ One-minute	Preparatory Flag Down	1 Long Signal
			1
	↓ Starting	Fleet Flag Down	1 Signal
			0 (& Fleet 3, 5 Min)
STARTING SEQUENCE: FLEET 3			
	↑ Warning	Fleet 3 Flag Slow PY Fleet	1 Short Signal
			5
	↑ Preparatory	Code Flag P	1 Short Signal
			4
	↓ One-minute	Preparatory Flag Down	1 Long Signal
			1
	↓ Starting	Fleet Flag Down	1 Signal
			0

Fleet 1 shall start first, followed by Fleet 2 and then Fleet 3. Depending on numbers the Race Office may decide to start all Fleets, or a combination of Fleets together. Where there are multiple fleets the starting sequences shall be run consecutively.



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STARTING/FINISHING LINE

The starting and finishing lines shall be between the mast of the Committee boat and a tear-drop mark.

Boats whose preparatory signal has not been made are reminded of their obligation not to interfere with boats that are racing as set out in RRS 24.1. Any boat observed breaking this rule may be disqualified without hearing. This changes RRS 63.1.