

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

RS 200, 400, Feva and Aero

Easterns 2026 Saturday

May 16th to Sunday May 17th 2026

Greystones Sailing Club

The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the sailing instructions (SIs) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1.

1 RULES

1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

1.2 Racing rules Race Signals AP, 31, 33, 35, 44.1, 60.1, 61.1(a), 60.3(b), 61.4(b), 61.2(b), A5.1 and A5.2 will be changed.

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 09:00 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 20:00 on the day before it will take effect.

2.2 Notwithstanding SI 2.1 the provisions of NOR 9.7 apply in respect of an additional race on either day.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at Greystones Sailing Club and Notices will in addition be posted on the event WhatsApp Group.

3.2 The race office is located inside the main entrance to the clubhouse

4 CODE OF CONDUCT

4.1 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the club yardarm on the balcony

5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' This changes Race Signals AP.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1** See NOR 9 for details of the schedule (note: the first warning signal of the first race on the Saturday is 11:55. The scheduled time of the first warning signal of the first race on Sunday is 10:55)
- 6.2** The order in which the classes will start is as follows;
RS400 followed by
RS200 followed by
RS AEROs followed by
RS Fevas
- 6.3** Apart from the RS400s the time of the starting signal of the preceding class may be the time of the warning signal of subsequent starts – however this may not be the case for all starts & competitors should pay attention to signals displayed from the Committee vessel
- 6.4** To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.

7 CLASS FLAGS

- 7.1** The class flags are as follows and if any of the Class Flags are unavailable the listed code flags will be used
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|-------------|-----------------------------------|
| RS400 Fleet | RS400 Class Flag or Code Flag F |
| RS200 Fleet | RS200 Class Flag or Code Flag G |
| RS Aero | RS Aero Class Flag or Numeral 7 |
| RS Feva | RS Feva Class Flag or Code Flag E |

8 RACING AREA

- 8.1** See NOR 12

9 COURSES

- 9.1** The diagram on Addendum 1 shows the courses, the course to be sailed will be displayed from the Race Committee vessel before the preparatory signal for each class.

10 MARKS

- 10.1** Mark(s) will be described at the briefing
- 10.2** Hitting a mark other than the start or finish marks will not be penalised. This only applies to the RS400 & RS200 fleets. This changes RRS 31 for this Fleet.
- 10.3** If one or other of any gate marks is missing, the remaining mark shall be left to port. This changes RRS 34.

11 OBSTRUCTIONS

None

12 THE START

12.1 The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.

12.2 [DP] Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.

12.3 A boat that does not start within five minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.

13 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

13.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark or the finishing line to a new position.

13.2 Minor changes will not be signalled this changes RRS33

14 THE FINISH

14.1 The finishing line is between a staff displaying a blue flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port end finishing mark.

15 PENALTY SYSTEM

15.1 See NOR 14

16 TIME LIMITS

16.1 Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes of the first boat in their fleet sails the course and finishes will be scored Did not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A5.1 and A5.2

16.2 In addition to RRS 32, except for the AERO Class the race committee may also award a finishing score to a boat that is still racing by displaying to her from a committee vessel (which may be in motion) flag W with one sound signal. A boat so notified is no longer required to sail the course, shall stop racing and shall return to the starting area, or return ashore if there is no more racing. A finishing score under this sailing instruction will be the score she would have received had she sailed the course and finished within any time limit, without gaining or losing any place. However, when two or more boats that are overlapped are notified, they will be scored as if they were tied. The decision by the race committee to use this procedure or not to use it shall not be grounds for requesting redress. This changes rules 60.1(b) and 62.1(a).

17 HEARING REQUESTS

17.1 For each class, the protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat in that class finishes the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The time will be posted on the official notice board. .

17.2 Hearing request forms are available from the race office.

17.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located at the Race Office just inside the entrance to the club on the left.

18 SCORING

18.1 The scoring system is as per NOR 15

19 SAFETY REGULATIONS

19.1 A tagging system will apply, and full details will be provided at registration when each competitor will be given a tag number with instructions for its use.

19.2 [DP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

20 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

20.1 [DP] Substitution of competitors is not allowed without prior written approval of the Race Committee.

20.2 [DP] Substitution of damaged or lost equipment is not allowed unless authorized in writing by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity, which may be after the race.

21 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

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

21.2 [DP] When instructed by a race official on the water, a boat shall proceed to a designated area for inspection.

22 [DP] SUPPORT TEAMS

22.1 Team leaders, coaches and other support persons shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

22.2 All support boats must register with the club before launching.

23 TRASH DISPOSAL

23.1 Trash may be placed aboard official or support person vessels.

24 BERTHING

24.1 [DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while in the boat park.

25 RECOVERY & SLIPWAY

25.1 [NP] all competitors must comply with the direction of the Beach Master, Recovery Personnel and Safety Boat drivers when coming ashore and a queuing system will be in place.

26 PRIZES

26.1 As per NOR 24

27 RISK STATEMENT

27.1 As per NOR 22

28 INSURANCE

28.1 As per NOR 23

ADDENDUM 1 – Course

Windward – Leeward

L2 1, 2P/2S, 1, 2P, Finish

L3 1, 2P/2S, 1, 2P/2S, 1, 2P, Finish

L4 1, 2P/2S, 1, 2P/2S, 1, 2P/2S, 1, 2P, Finish

Marks 1 and 2P to be left to Port

Marks 2P/2S are a Gate

RS 400 Class use Mark 1

RS 200 Class, RS AERO Class and RS Feva Class

use Mark 1A instead of Mark 1

