



# MUDEFORD SAILING CLUB

Dinghy sailing and racing in Christchurch Harbour

A unique friendly club that brings together sociable and active people who enjoy dinghy sailing in a safe harbour location

## THE INTER CLUB HARBOUR SERIES 2020

BETWEEN HIGHCLIFFE, CHRISTCHURCH, HENGISTBURY HEAD AND MUDEFORD

### SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

(changes from 2019 in red, amended Aug 2020)

#### FUNDAMENTAL RULES

1. Racing will take place under the current International Racing Rules for Sailing (RRS) and these Sailing Instructions.

#### CONDITIONS

2. Each competitor shall be a member of a competing Club. Before starting a race, all competitors shall possess third party insurance to a minimum value of £1,000,000.

3. The safety of the competitor's boat and her entire management including insurance shall be the responsibility of the owner or person in charge who must ensure that the boat and crew are properly prepared to face the conditions that may arise in the race. No inspection of the boat under the SI, nor an inspection of the boat under the SI, reduces the absolute responsibility of the owner or person in charge of the boat or her management. The race organisers shall not be responsible for any loss, damage, personal injury or death of any person taking part in the race or races. Moreover, every owner or person in charge warrants the suitability of the boat for the race.

#### EQUIPMENT, CLASSES AND COMPETITION GROUPS

4. Races will be for a single handicap fleet for monohull classes.

5. Competitors may sail with different boats or sails within the schedule of races and be included in their own results. For example, a competitor using a Laser Radial for one race and a Laser for another would have the Radial results recorded separately, and would thus have to discard 2 DNE scores from the Laser race. A competitor who is single handed in one race and crewed in another (such as the Mirror) will **not** be scored separately.

6. One-design boats may use replica sails.

#### IDENTIFICATION AND SIGNING ON

7. All boats must carry a properly displayed sail number. Competitors shall sign on at their own Clubs. The sign on sheet shall be given to the race officer on the Committee Boat as soon as possible on the day.

#### PERSONAL BUOYANCY

8. Competitors shall wear personal buoyancy when racing, which shall take the form of at least a waistcoat.

#### ORGANISATION AND SCHEDULE OF RACES

9. Racing will take place over a series between Christchurch, Highcliffe, Hengistbury Head and Mudford. The series is organised by Mudford SC as part of their Sunday Harbour Series and the provision of prizes being the responsibility of the organising Club.

**2020: Mudford SC**

**2021: Christchurch SC**

**2022: Highcliffe SC and on a rotating basis thereafter.**

10. All racing will take place in Christchurch Harbour using inflatable buoys in accordance with the responsibility of Mudeford Sailing Club and have been scheduled as follows:

- **Races 1 & 2, Sunday 6 September starting at 1100**
- **Races 3 & 4, Sunday 4 October starting at 1030**
- **Races 5 & 6, Sunday 18 October, starting at 1030**
  
- **Prizegiving to be announced**

11. The course “hand” will be displayed on a board on the Committee Boat. Races will last 50 – 60 minutes without a break

## COURSE

12. In the diagram below (not to scale) a single lap is shown of a Port Hand course, where all marks are between the committee boat and mark 4. The diagram is not to scale. The race officer may set a triangle and wind direction dictate. A “triangle/sausage” course will not be set.

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## SIGNALS AND CONDUCT OF RACING

9. Racing will be conducted in accordance with RRS using the 5 minute start sequence. The class flag shall start later than 4 minutes after the start. There will be a “Grand Prix” finish where the committee boat will fly Flag S for the leading boat or boats. All boats will then finish and scoring will be done on an average lap.

## OUT OF BOUNDS AREAS

10. Certain areas of the Harbour are out of bounds to sailors and are marked with yellow buoys. The area includes the one round Blackberry Point. Sailors are not to enter these areas when racing. Doing so in an emergency will result in retirement from that race.

## PROTESTS

11. This is a friendly Inter Club event, which attracts novice as well as expert sailors: it is hoped that competitors will enjoy racing. A competitor intending to protest shall make every effort to inform the committee boat after he/she has returned ashore, he must complete a protest form at his home Club and hand or email it to a Club Officer by the next meeting of the Sailing Secretary of the organising Club. Protests are to be heard as soon as possible.

## RESULTS

12. Individual results will be scored using the low points system, with 1 discard if all 6 races are completed (the Series) will be based on the addition of their competitors’ scores for each race. The number of boats completed will be divided by the number of competitors and their assistants may claim average points, providing that they take part in all the other races. The sum of all the other races divided by the number of races.

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