

# TATA STEEL SAILING CLUB

## SOLO OPEN

15<sup>th</sup> APRIL

**Organising Authority: Tata Steel Sailing Club and the National Solo Class Association**

### Sailing Instructions

#### 1. Rules

Racing will be governed by the 'Rules' defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, the National Solo Class Association rules, and these Instructions which change *RRS 32, A2, A3 and Race Signal AP*.

#### 2. Notices to Competitors

Notices to competitors and any changes to these Instructions will be posted at the Race Control hut.

#### 3. Briefing

There will be a competitors' briefing at the Race Control hut at 10.30am Saturday

#### 4. Signals made ashore

4.1 Signals made ashore will be hoisted at the signal mast at the Race Control hut.

4.2 If 'AP' is displayed ashore, it will be removed (with sound signal) at least 20 minutes before the next warning signal. **This changes RRS 40. (Race Signal AP to remove.)**

#### 5. Schedule of races

Four races are scheduled as follows:

Saturday Race 1 - 11.00; races 2, 3, and 4 to be announced

#### 6. Class Flag

The Class Flag will be numeral '1'.

#### 7. Racing area, course plan and marks

7.1 These will be described at the briefing and shown on the board at the Race Control hut.

7.2 Boats will sail the course as shown on the course plan.

#### 8. The Start

The **start line** will be between the mast displaying an Orange Flag on the Committee Boat and the starting mark. An inner distance mark may be laid and in this case, boats shall pass between this mark and the outer distance mark when approaching the line to start and on subsequent laps.

#### 9. Change of leg of the course

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark to the new position.

#### 10. The Finish

10.1 Each boat will sail until 'S' is displayed. The leading boat will finish when next crossing the finishing line and other boats will finish thereafter. Any boat more than one round behind the leading boat may be finished on next crossing the finishing line and given the position held at that time. This changes *RRS 32 and A3*.

10.2 The **finishing line** will be between the mast displaying an Orange Flag on the Committee Boat and the finishing mark, or between a staff on a support boat displaying flag 'S' and the adjacent rounding mark.

#### 11. Scoring

11.1 The event will be scored using *RRS Appendix A*, except that each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores with her worst score excluded if **3 or** more races have been completed. This changes *RRS A2*.

11.2 Two scored races are required for the results to be considered.

#### 12. Penalties:

Penalties will apply in accordance with *RRS 44*.

#### 13. Time Limit

13.1 It is intended to race for approximately 60 minutes. for the first race, and approximately 45 minutes for the following races. Failure to achieve this shall not be cause for redress.

13.2 Any boat not finishing within 20 minutes of the leading boat may be finished on the course by a support boat displaying flag W.

13.3 In the event of abandonment, places may be awarded from positions at the end of the previous completed lap.

#### 14. Protests

shall be written on forms available at the Race Control hut and delivered there within Protest Time which will begin as the last boat comes ashore at the end of each day's sailing and end 30 minutes later.