

# 2023 Regatta Sailing Instructions



1: **Rules** The regatta will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing 2020-2024 (RRS), the prescriptions of the RYA, and class rules as appropriate, except as any of these are changed by these sailing instructions.

2: **Entries** and payment should be made to Lochaber Yacht Club.

3: **Notices** to Competitors will be posted on the club notice board or on a board next to the Main Door.

4: **Changes** in Sailing Instructions: Any change to the sailing instructions will be announced by flag L being displayed at the club. Changes to the schedule of races other than postponements will be posted at the briefing.

5: **Signals Made Ashore** - will be displayed at the club.

6: **Schedule of Races:** As below

## 7. Start times and Classes

<p>Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2023</p> <p><b>Keelboats &amp; Solings</b> Briefing 1000 hours Race 1 Start 1100 Race 2 Start 1330 Race 3 Start on completion race 2 Race 4 Start on completion race 3 Race 5 Start on completion race 4</p> <p>Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2023</p> <p><b>Dinghies</b> Briefing 1000 Race 1 Start 1100 Race 2 Start on completion of race 1 Race 3 Start 1400 Race 4 Start on completion of race 3 Race 5 Start on completion of race 4</p>	<p><b>Class Flags</b></p> <p>Keelboats - Code Flag E Solings - Omega Flag Fast Handicap - Code Flag H Junior helms &amp; Slow Handicap - Code Flag M</p> <p>The Dinghy Classes may be combined if numbers for a class are less than four.</p> <p>Keelboat and Solings may also be combined if either class is less than four boats.</p> <p><b>Keelboats &amp; Solings</b></p> <p>Start times and classes are indications only. The Warning signal for the succeeding class shall be made 5 minutes after the start signal of the preceding class. The General recall of a class will cause its start to be put to the end of the queue.</p>
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8: **Racing Area:** The racing area will be as shown in the illustration below. Keelboats may be directed elsewhere but no further than the start of the narrows at Annat or Three Mile Water.

9: **Courses:** Courses will be displayed on boards from the clubhouse veranda **between the Preparatory signal and the Start signals (for each class)**. Under some wind conditions alternative courses may be shown on the blackboard or issued prior to a race.

10: **Marks:** will be painted 250 litre drums and positioned as illustrated in the diagram below. Some marks may have an inflatable buoy attached to aid visibility.

11: **The Start:** The starting line will be between the club flagpole and Mark A or between the committee boat and an alternative mark A. There may be a yellow inner limit mark. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area and of all boats whose preparatory signal has been made. If committee boat starts are to be used details will be given at the briefing.

12 **Mark Boats:** If a mark goes missing a safety boat may be used in lieu of a mark.

13 **Change of Course after the Start:** The course will not be changed after the start except that it may be shortened. When the course is shortened at the club, the finish shall be between the club flag staff and Mark A, Mark A being in the correct sequence of the course. When the course is shortened at a committee boat, the finish shall be between the committee boat and the nearby Mark, the Mark being in the correct sequence of the course.

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**14 The Finish:** The finishing line will be between the club flagpole and Mark A or between the committee boat and the adjacent mark. Results will be based on average lap times.

**15 Time Limit:** The time limit will be at the discretion of the race officer but will be a minimum of 20 minutes after the first boat in the class finishes. Boats failing to finish within the time limit will be scored "Did Not Finish". This changes rule 35.

**16 Protests:** Protests shall be written on forms available at the race office and delivered there within 45 minutes after the time of the last (of the class) boat's finish of the race.

**17 Scoring:** The system to be used will be as in RRS Appendix A using the Low Point system. Up to five races will count. If more than four races are sailed one discard will be allowed.

**18 Prizes;** LYC Regatta Trophies (not keepers) will be awarded to the winner of each class. Additional prizes will be awarded for all deserving causes! Prizes will be presented at the club on Saturday evening at the BBQ.

## 9. Course List

Green = Leave mark to starboard

Red = Leave mark to port

Information on marks will be available at the briefing. Keelboat courses may include the NE mark at the Stronchreggan fish farm and one of the Port hand navigational buoys south of Corpach basin.

