



QUEEN MARY
SAILING CLUB



**RS21 Winter Inland
Championships**

28th-29th March 2026

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
10 RACES, 9 TO COUNT**

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Winter Championships Keelboat Cup

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

1.1 See RS2SSI Para 1

2. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted not less than 60 minutes before the scheduled warning signal of the first race on the day on which it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races (See NOR 9) will be posted by 18:00hrs on the day before it will take effect.

3. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located Inside the clubhouse.

3.2 The race office is located at the Queen Mary Club office, telephone number 01784 248881, email: sailondon@queenmary.org.uk

4. CODE OF CONDUCT

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

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the Clubhouse flagpole.

5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 20 minutes' in race signals AP. This changes Race Signals AP.

6. SCHEDULE

See NOR 9

7. CLASS FLAGS

The class flag(s) will be:

CLASS	FLAG
RS21	"H"

8. RACING AREA

The racing area will be indicated on the Daily Information Board located outside the Club office on the upper deck of the Clubhouse.

9. COURSE

9.1 The course will be as described below:

Start-1-1A-Gate (2S/2P)-1-1A-Finish.

9.2 See Appendix 1 for the course.

10. MARKS

10.1 Course Marks 1 will be a race mark with a yellow flag, Mark 1A will be a race mark with a blue flag, Marks 2p and 2s will be race marks with pink flags.

11. OBSTRUCTIONS

The following areas are obstructions and boats shall not sail in those areas at any time:

- (a) at the recovery plant on the western wall of the reservoir, the area bounded by the dredger's anchor buoys;
- (b) at the southern end of the bund, the shallows bounded by yellow or orange buoys, and the area bounded by the dredger's anchor buoys;
- (c) if a dredger is at any time located somewhere on the reservoir other than as described in (a) and (b) above, the area bounded by its anchor buoys;
- (d) at the outlet at the north-east corner of the reservoir, the area bounded by round yellow buoys.

12. THE START

- 12.1 The start will be between an orange flag on the race Committee vessel and mark 2p.
- 12.2 Visual and sound signals for the warning, preparatory and starting signals will not be displayed. This changes RRS 26. Time shall be taken from the Vakaros RaceSense system.
- 12.3 All Starts will use preparatory flag Papa.
- 12.4 If the RC displays flag GOLF with a sound signal before the warning signal of a race, SIs 12.2 and 12.3 will not apply.
- 12.5 A boat that does not start within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

13. CHANGING 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 course changes of less than 150 meters may not be signalled. This changes RRS 33.

14. THE FINISH

- 14.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an Orange Flag on the RC vessel and Mark 2p.

15. NOT USED

16. TIME LIMITS

- 16.1 The target time for each race will be 30 minutes. The race time limit shall be 60 minutes from the starting signal.
- 16.2 The finishing period will be 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes within the race time limit.
- 16.3 A boat failing to finish within the finishing period for its class will be scored DNF without a hearing save that the Race Officer may during such finishing period display flag W to boats on the course in which case they will be scored as if they had finished in their position at that time. This changes RRS 35, A5.1 and A5.2 and A10
- 16.4 No race will be started after 16:00hrs on Saturday 28th February 2026.

17. HEARING REQUESTS

- 17.1 The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the last boat finishes in the last race of the day or the Race Committee signals no more racing today, whichever is the later.
- 17.2 Hearing request forms are available from the Club 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.
- 17.4 A party to the hearing may ask for a re-opening no later than 30 minutes after being informed of the decision. This changes RRS 63.7.

18. SCORING

See NOR 15

19. SAFETY REGULATIONS

19.1 A boat that launches and does not start a race or retires from a race is requested to notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.

20-28 NOT USED

29 PRIZES

See NOR 24

30 RISK STATEMENT

See NOR 22

31 INSURANCE

See NOR 23 (Damage and Liability)

32 SUPPORT BOATS

Support boats shall be registered and be identifiable as described in NOS 11.

Appendix 1

