



## **SUMMER EVENING SERIES**

**8<sup>th</sup> JULY – 26<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2020**

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

**8 RACES, 4 TO COUNT**

# QUEEN MARY SAILING CLUB

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### SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

#### 1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017 - 2020*.
- 1.2. The bye-laws of Queen Mary Sailing Club will apply.
- 1.3. Not used.
- 1.4. The Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available as detailed in the current RYA Racing Rules Guidance. The Post Race Penalty shall be 30% of the number of boats starting the race or 3 places, whichever is greater.

#### 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located outside the Clubhouse at the bottom of the waterside glass stairs.

#### 3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted not less than 30 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 will be posted by 18:00hrs on the Wednesday before it will take effect.

#### 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the Clubhouse flagpole.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in race signal AP. This changes the meaning of flag AP in Race Signals.

#### 5. SCHEDULE

From 8<sup>th</sup> July to 26<sup>th</sup> August, there will be one average lap time handicap race every Wednesday.

WARNING SIGNAL	CLASSES	CLASS WARNING FLAG
18:55	Handicap	"H"

#### 6. CLASS FLAGS

Not used.

#### 7. RACING AREA

The racing area will be indicated on the Daily Information Board located outside the Clubhouse at the bottom of the waterside glass stairs.

#### 8. THE COURSES

- 8.1. The course designations and configurations, including the order of rounding marks, are shown on the diagrams in Appendix 1. The courses will be used in rotation, week by week, as follows: courses K, L, N & P.

- 8.2 The letter designating the course to be sailed will be displayed on the stern of the Race Committee Boat.
- 8.3 The start/finish line shall not be crossed on downwind legs on which it is an obstruction.

## **9. MARKS**

- 9.1 Mark 1 of the designated course will fly a yellow flag. Mark 2 will fly a green flag, Mark 3 a blue flag and Mark 4 a pink flag.
- 9.2 The starting and finishing mark will be a spherical buoy flying a red flag.

## **10. AREAS THAT ARE 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/black or orange buoys, and the area bounded by the dredger's anchor buoys;
- (c) at the outlet at the north east corner of the reservoir, the area bounded by round yellow buoys.

## **11. THE START**

- 11.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal, the preparatory signal made 4 minutes before the starting signal and the preparatory flag removed 1 minute before the start.
- 11.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port end starting mark
- 11.3 A boat starting later than 15 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS without a hearing. This changes RRS A4.1

## **12. CHANGING THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

Course marks may be moved by no more than 150 metres during the race but flag C will not be displayed nor will information regarding the change be displayed. This changes RRS 33.

## **13. THE FINISH**

- 13.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the Race Committee Boat and the course side of the finishing mark.
- 13.2 Boats will finish the first time that they cross the finishing line during the finishing period. The commencement of the finishing period will be signalled by the display of a blue flag on the staff of the Race Committee Boat without a sound signal. The finishing period will continue for 30 minutes after the first boat has finished. This period may be extended at the discretion of the Race Officer.

## **14. PENALTY SYSTEM**

For multi-hull classes the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty. This changes RRS 44.1.

## **15. TIME LIMITS**

Not used.

## **16. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 16.1 Protests shall be written on forms available from the Club office by phoning 01784 248881 and shall be delivered there within 60 minutes of the last boat's finishing time, except in the

case of back-to-back races, where they shall be delivered within 60 minutes of the last boat's finishing time in the last race.

- 16.2 Protests will be heard in approximately the order of receipt as soon as possible.

## **17. SCORING**

- 17.1 RRS A9 "Race Scores in a Series longer than a Regatta" will apply.
- 17.2 2 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 17.3 An entrant must complete 33% (rounded up) of the races constituting the series to qualify for a position and prize.
- 17.4 (a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.  
(b) When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of the best 4 of her race scores.
- 17.5 (a) Boats' scores will be based on corrected average lap time with lesser times being given higher places.  
(b) A boat's average lap time will be her elapsed time divided by the number of laps completed.  
(c) Corrected times will be calculated by the Portsmouth Yardstick system using Queen Mary handicap numbers as assigned in the Series Notice of Race.  
(d) Queen Mary handicap numbers will not be adjusted for the duration of the series.

## **18. SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 18.1. Each boat shall sign on each day that she intends to race by booking a racing session at <https://www.queenmary.org.uk/racing/restart-racing-2020/> before arriving at the Club. By booking a racing session, competitors agree to follow the Guidelines for Observing COVID-19 Restrictions on the booking page. In addition, boats racing are requested to maintain 1m clear water between hulls to ensure that the 2m social distance between crews is maintained.
- 18.2. A boat that launches and does not start a race, retires from a race or receives outside help during a race shall complete a declaration available from the Club office by phoning 01784 248881 within the protest time limit.

## **19-26. NOT USED**

## **27. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS**

Except in an emergency a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice and data communications not available to all boats.

## **28. PRIZES**

Prizes will be awarded to the ten highest-placed qualifying boats. In addition, prizes will be awarded to the first qualifying Lady helm and the first qualifying Junior crew. Additional prizes may also be awarded.

## **29. RISK STATEMENT**

RRS 4 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone".

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- (a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- (b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- (c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own

actions or omissions;

- (d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- (e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- (f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
- (g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules or information produced for the venue or event and attend any safety briefing held for the event.

### **30. INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3 million per incident.

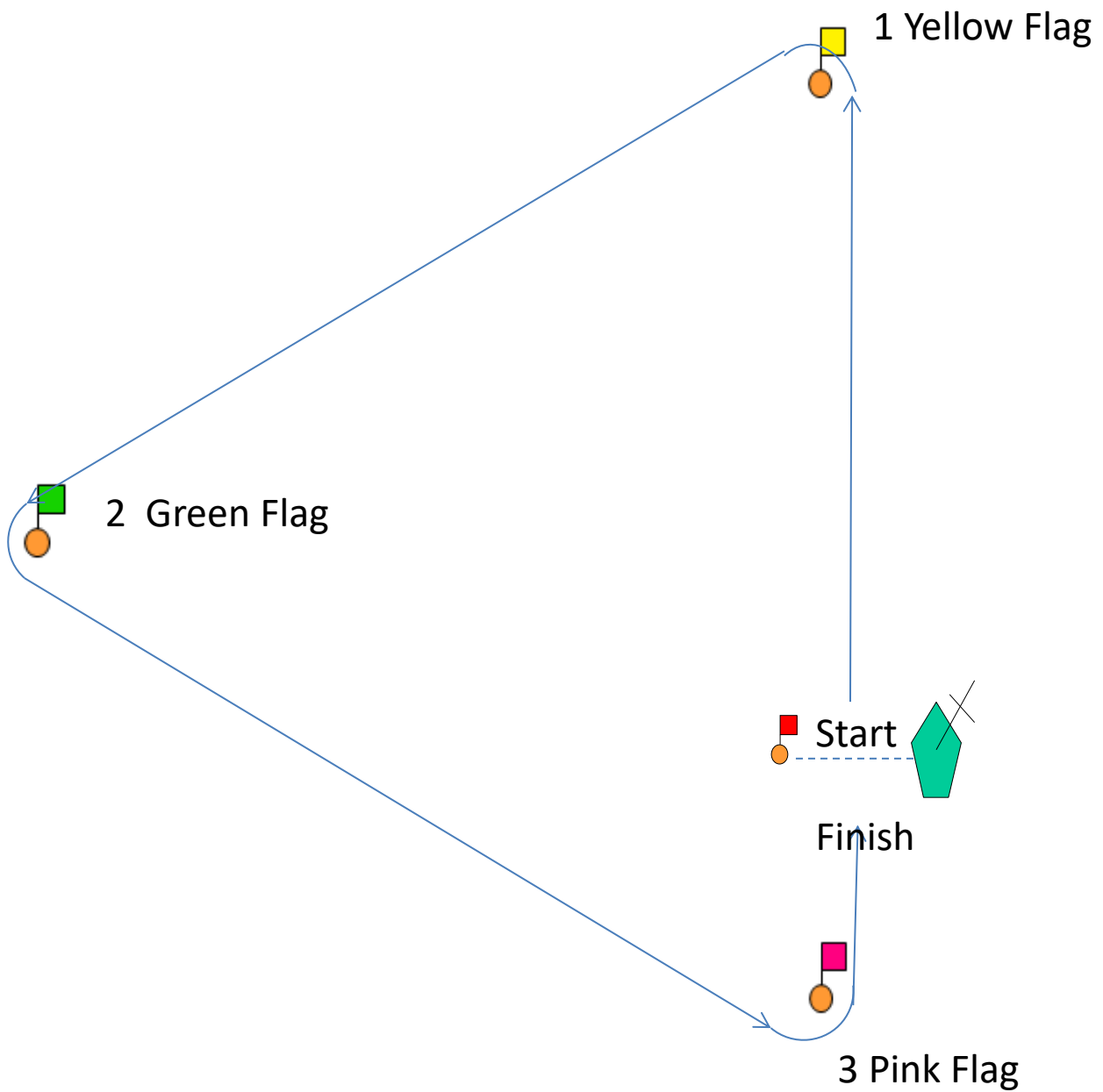
### **31. LOCAL RULES**

- 31.1 **Keeping Clear:** Boats shall keep clear of barges and motor vessels that are restricted in their ability to manoeuvre. When a boat finds herself unable to keep clear of such a vessel she may use propulsion, such as paddling or rocking, provided she does not gain a significant advantage in the race (RRS 42.3(h)).

## Appendix 1

### Course K

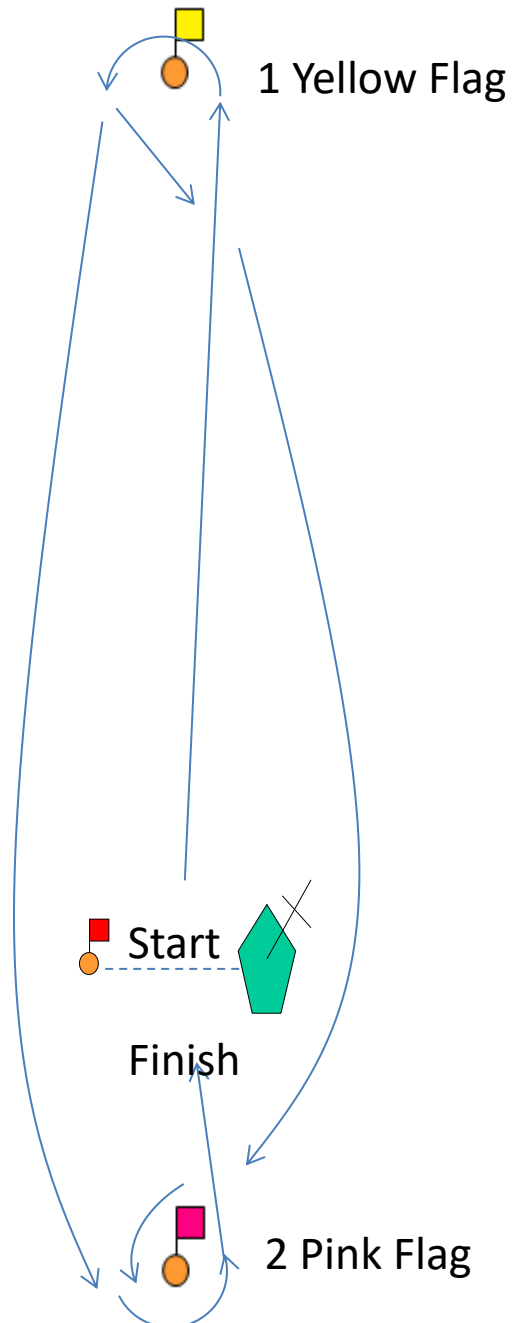
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## Course L

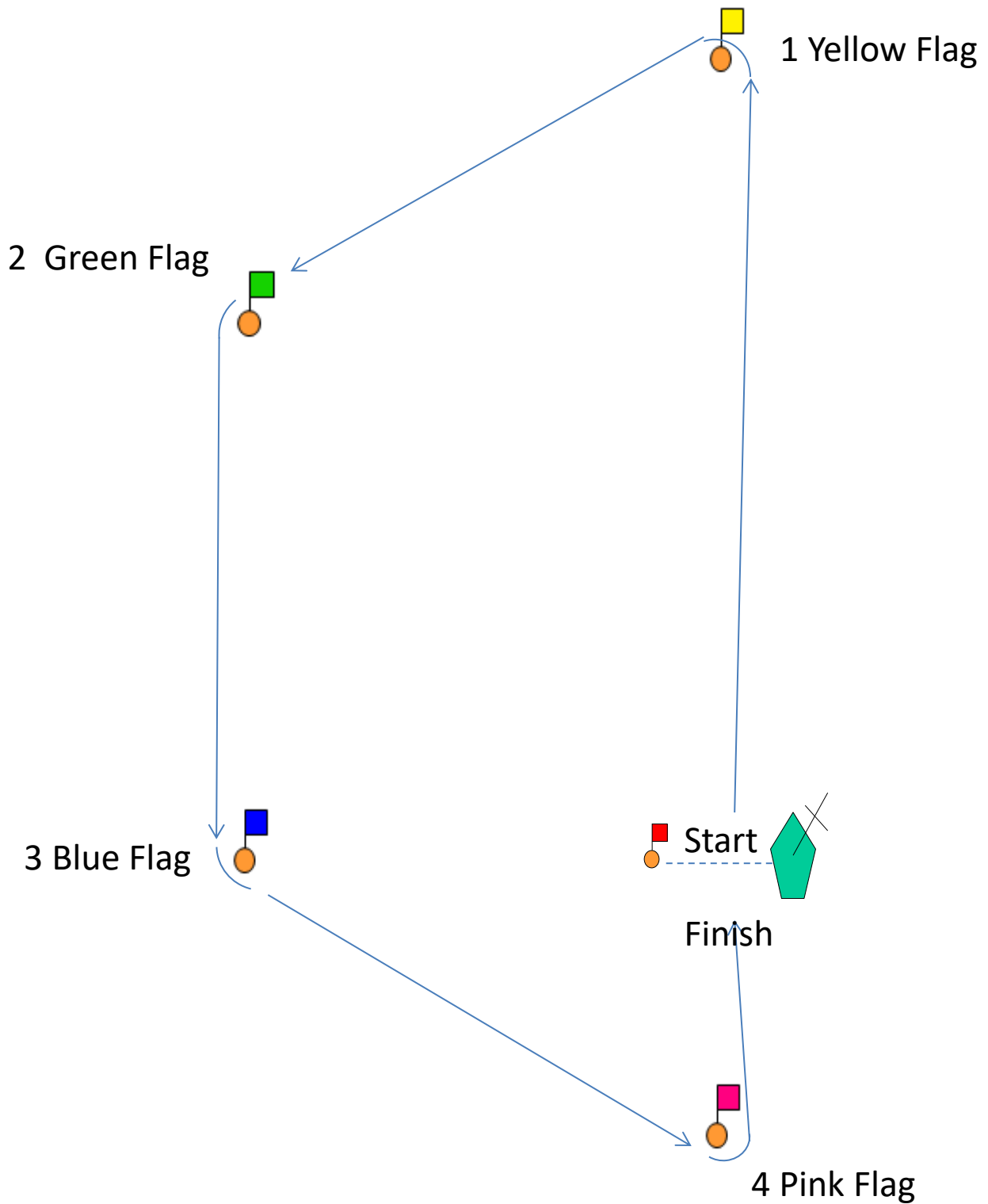
**1P – 2P** and cross start/finish line upwind is one round

Do not cross finish line downwind



## Course N

1P – 2P – 3P – 4P and cross start/finish line upwind is one round.





## Course P

**1P – 2P – 3S – 4P** and cross start/finish line upwind is one round.

Do not cross finish line downwind

