

Typhoon-Frensham Frenzy - 12th March 2017

Race

1. The event will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of the RYA and the rules of the classes taking part, except as any of these are changed by these Sailing Instructions.
2. Conditions of Entry – Eligible boats may be entered by completing registration with the Organising Authority (OA) (The organising authority is Frensham Pond Sailing Club). Eligible boats are those boats which fulfil the conditions of the lease, with Portsmouth Numbers between 940 and 1428. If requested, a valid Measurement Certificate for the boat must be presented to the organisers. The safety of a boat and her entire management including insurance shall be the sole responsibility of the owner/person in charge who must ensure that the boat and crew are adequate to face the conditions that may arise in the course of the race. Neither these Sailing Instructions nor any inspection of the main boat limits or reduces the absolute responsibility of the owner/person in charge of the crew, the boat and her management. The race organisers shall not be responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury howsoever caused to the owner/person in charge of crew, as a result of their taking part in the race or races. Moreover, every owner/person in charge warrants the suitability of the boat for the race or races.
3. Helms – A boat may be helmed by more than one person, but the points obtained by different helms will not be cumulative. A competitor may helm only one boat. Helm and crew may not exchange places during the race except temporarily in an emergency. The Race Officer must be informed of any changes of helm.
4. Club Membership – All competitors are granted Honorary Membership of the Club during the meeting.
5. Notices to Competitors – Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board – in the clubhouse.
6. Changes in Sailing Instructions – Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official notice board at least 30 minutes before the first race to which the change applies.
7. Personal buoyancy must be worn by all helms and crews as stipulated under Class rules or if directed by the race officer. The Race Officer will indicate this requirement by flying flag “Y” ashore.
8. Sails and Sail Numbers – Except with prior permission of the Race Officer no dinghy shall use any sails other than her own. Permission may be refused if the sail number is the same as one of the other entries in the same class.
9. The scoring system shall be in accordance with Appendix A of the RRS. Two races are scheduled and a boats series score shall be the total of her race scores. Where less than 2 races are completed, a boats score shall be from the race that is sailed.

10. The duration of the race shall be as close as practicable to 75 minutes for an Enterprise with other classes sailing for a period adjusted in accordance with their Portsmouth Number
11. Start Line – The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the start boat at the starboard end and a buoy with a coloured flag at the port end.
 - a. A list of Portsmouth Numbers, as adjusted by the OA for the event, and starting times after the first start will be displayed on the official notice board at least 30 minutes before the start of the first race.
 - b. The start for the first boat(s) in the sequence will be indicated with 10 minute warning and 5 minute preparatory signals
 - c. Starting times for subsequent boats in the sequence shall be in accordance with the adjusted Portsmouth Number. Subsequent signals will be given at 1 minute intervals.
 - d. Rule 29.1 *Individual Recall* is amended such that Flag “X” will be displayed for a maximum of 30 seconds.
12. The course will use the club racing marks and will be displayed on the Committee Boat. The club racing marks are spherical and yellow in colour. A lead boat displaying flag L may be provided for the first lap of a race. The Lead Boat is classified as an official boat whilst undertaking this role.
13. Finish Line – There will be two possible methods employed by the Race Officer to finish the race: the method to be used will be notified to competitors by a visual flag signal flown from the committee boat approximately 5 minutes before the publicised finish time, at this time a sound signal with 4 blasts will be used to alert the competitors that the finish will occur soon and to communicate what method of finishing will be used. Either a blue flag or Code flag “V” will be displayed.
 - a. If the committee boat is displaying a blue flag then a fixed line finish between the committee boat and a mark of the course will be used. The mark chosen will be one which the leading boat is approaching as the time limit is passed. The finish will be signalled by two loud blasts. All other boats will proceed around the course to the finish line.
 - b. If the committee boat is displaying code flag “M” then a moving finish line will be used. The committee boat and another power boat displaying code flag “O” (for outer limit) shall form the finish line. These boats will track the leading boat and as the time limit is reached there will be two sound signals. At this point the leading boat will have finished. The committee boat and the boat displaying code flag “O” will then move down the course in reverse direction, finishing each boat as they pass. On an upwind leg the line will move down the Rhumb line to the next mark. The onus is on competitors to position their boat near the Rhumb line for the moving finish.

Any boat that is not on the same leg of the course as the boats finishing are asked to refrain from going through the line until the line reaches the leg of the course they are on.

14. Protests – Protest must be lodged within 20 minutes of finishing. Protest forms are available at the race office, located in the Committee Room of the clubhouse.”