



Bandon Co op Squib National Championships

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The Irish Squib National Championships

19th – 24th June 2022

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Sailing Instructions

1 Rules

- 1.1 The Organising Authority (OA) is Kinsale Yacht Club in conjunction with the National Squib Owners Association, (NSOA), and the Irish Squib Class, (ISC).
- 1.2 This regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the Equipment Rules of Sailing (ERS) of World Sailing, and the National Squib Class Rules except as any of the foregoing are altered by the Notice of Race (NoR) or Sailing Instructions (SI) and any other applicable rules.
- 1.3 The Irish Sailing Prescriptions to the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 shall apply. See [IS-Prescriptions-to-Racing-Rules-2021-24-Board Approved.pdf \(sailing.ie\)](#)
- 1.4 Squib Class Rule C.10.2(b) will apply. This rule is changed as follows in accordance with RRS 87:
“More than one spinnaker may be carried on board for the duration of the Championships. Spinnakers may not be changed while racing.”
- 1.5 RRS 78.2 is changed by NoR 6.2.
- 1.6 RRS Appendix G3 will apply as changed by NoR 11.
- 1.7 Where there is a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail. This changes RRS 63.7
- 1.8 Sailing instructions (SI) may change other rules in accordance with RRS 86.1(b).
- 1.9 The event shall adhere to [Irish Sailings Sustainable Event Guidelines](#).
- 1.10 All boats may be required to display a Championship pennant from their backstay, no lower than one (1) meter above the aft deck level, measured parallel to a taught backstay.
- 1.11 Amendment to class rule for advertising- The AQL spinnakers from the 2018 Nationals are permitted to be used by competitors.

2 Notices to Competitors and Briefings

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board which will be located on the window of the Championship race office, on the ground floor of Kinsale Yacht Club. Notices may also be posted on the Championship WhatsApp group. The official notice board shall take precedence.
- 2.2 A briefing for competitors will be held in the clubhouse bar at 1800 hrs Saturday 18th June.

3 Changes to Sailing Instructions

- 3.1 Any change to these sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board, not less than 2 hours before the first warning signal on the day it will take effect.
- 3.2 Changes to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000hrs the day before it will take effect.
- 3.2 Changes to these sailing instructions may also be posted on Championships WhatsApp group. The official notice board takes precedence, and the responsibility remains with competitors to check the official notice board.

4 Signals made ashore

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the main Club flagpole located in the Kinsale yacht Club dinghy park.
- 4.2 When flag **AP** is displayed ashore, with two sound signals, competitors shall not launch until flag **AP** is lowered with one sound signal. The warning signal will not be displayed sooner than 60 minutes after lowering flag **AP**. This amends race signals in **RRS**.
- 4.3 When flag **L** is displayed ashore it will be flown only until the warning signal for the first race affected by the relevant notice to competitors.

5 Schedule of Races

Table 1 sets out the Championships sailing schedule. The social program will be published on the Championship website.

Date	Time	Event/Activity	Location
Friday 17 th June	1600-1800	Registration	Kinsale Yacht Club
Saturday 18 th June	0900 - 1700	Registration	Kinsale Yacht Club
	0900 - 1700	Equipment inspection	Kinsale Pier
	0900 - 1700	Launching	Kinsale Pier
	1800	Competitor's briefing	Kinsale Yacht Club
Sunday 19 th June	1125	"Blacks of Kinsale" Day Warning signal - practice race	In the vicinity of the area south of the entrance to Kinsale Harbour
	1255	Warning signal – One series Race scheduled	
	1800 onwards	Commodores Reception and Holt daily prize-giving	KYC Club house
Monday 20 th June	1155	Hyde Sails Day Warning signal – Two Series races scheduled. Second race warning signal ASAP after first race of the day	In the vicinity of the area south of the entrance to Kinsale Harbour

Date	Time	Event/Activity	Location
	1800 onwards	Holt daily prize-giving	KYC Club house
Tuesday 21 st June	1155	Batt Sails Day Warning signal – One series race scheduled	In the vicinity of the area south of the entrance to Kinsale Harbour
	1800 onwards	Holt daily prize-giving	KYC Club house
Wednesday 22 nd June	1155	CH Marine Day Warning Signal – Two series races scheduled. Second race warning signal ASAP after first race of the day	In the vicinity of the area south of the entrance to Kinsale Harbour
	1800 onwards	Holt daily prize-giving	KYC Club house
Thursday 23 rd June	1155	Cork County Council Day Warning Signal – One series race scheduled	In the vicinity of the area south of the entrance to Kinsale Harbour
	1800 onwards	Holt daily prize-giving	KYC Club house
Friday 24 th June	1125	Warning signal – One series race scheduled	In the vicinity of the area south of the entrance to Kinsale Harbour
	ASAP after racing	Craning out of boats	Kinsale Pier
	1930	Championship Dinner and Prize-Giving	Trident Hotel, adjacent to KYC
Saturday 25 th June	0930 onwards	Crane out continues	Kinsale Pier

Table 1- Schedule of Races

- 5.1 For the purposes of results and awarding prizes, races will be numbered in the order in which they are completed.
- 5.2 A maximum of one extra race per day may be sailed, providing the series becomes no more than one race ahead of schedule and the change is made in accordance with SI 3.
- 5.3 When more than one race is scheduled on a day the second race will start as soon as possible after completing the previous race.

- 5.4 If the practice race is abandoned it shall not be re-sailed and the next warning signal shall be for the first series race. This changes race signals abandonment, for the practice race only.
- 5.5 The Race Officer reserves the right to amend the schedule of races as may be required. Any such changes will be in accordance with SI 3.2.
- 5.6 On the last day of the event no warning signal will be made after 1400hrs.

6 Class Flag

- 6.1 The Class flag will be **Naval Numeral Nine**.

7 Racing Area

- 7.1 The race area will be located in the vicinity South of the entrance to Kinsale Harbour, see **Appendix A**. Sailing time to the race area is approximately 30 minutes
- 7.2 Boats arriving at the race area will sail downwind on the Starboard side, and across the stern of the Committee boat and inform the Committee of their sail number.

8 Courses

- 8.1 **Appendix B** illustrates the courses to be sailed and the order in which marks are to be rounded or passed and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 8.2 The Race Committee boat will display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg of the course on the Starboard side of the Committee boat.
- 8.3 The Committee boat will display the course to be sailed and number of rounds on the Port side of the Committee boat before the warning signal for each race.

9 Marks

- 9.1 The racing marks will be orange tetrahedron buoys and may display an advertising band.
- 9.2 The spreader mark will be a red cylindrical buoy.
- 9.3 The change of course mark will be an orange tetrahedron buoy.

10 The Start

- 10.1 Races will be started in accordance with Rule 26 of the RRS
- 10.2 The start line will be between a red and white pole displaying an orange flag on the Committee boat and either a red and white pole on a vessel at the port end of the starting line, or a dan buoy, displaying an orange flag.
- 10.3 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will start soon, one sound signal shall be made at least five (5), minutes before a warning signal is displayed.

- 10.4 The pin end boat may repeat visual signals for the Committee boat, including boats deemed to be OCS under rule 30.3. The signals of the Committee boat shall govern.
- 10.5 Boats disqualified under rule 30.3 (U Flag), will be notified by displaying their sail numbers on the starboard side of the finishing vessel.
- 10.6 If a black flag start is followed by a General Recall, the sail numbers of the boats disqualified under rule 30.4 will be displayed on the race Committee boat at least five minutes before the first substitute is removed prior to the warning signal for the same race. This changes rule 30.4.
- 10.7 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her start time will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.
- 10.8 The Race Committee boat is named **‘Spare Time’** and is a white Beneteau Swift Trawler 42.



Race Committee Boat- “Spare Time”

11 Change of the next leg of the course

- 11.1 To change the next leg of the course, the Race Committee will lay a new mark and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark. This changes rule 33.
- 11.2 A change of course after the start will be signalled before the leading boat has begun the leg, although the relocated mark may not be in position. Any mark to be rounded after rounding the relocated mark may be relocated to maintain the course configuration.

12 The Finish

- 12.1 The finishing line will be between the mast displaying a blue flag on the Committee boat and a dan buoy or a pole on an anchored boat.
- 12.2 Boats failing to finish within 60-minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes, will be scored according to their observed position on the course, which may be their position at the last mark rounded. This changes Rule 35, A4 and A5.
- 12.3 The Race Committee may award a finishing place to a boat by pointing Flag W at her with a sound signal. The signalled boat shall be deemed to have finished; the score awarded shall be

the position she occupied at the time of the signal. If two or more overlapped boats are signalled, they shall be scored as if they were tied. Any W flagged boat shall return to the start area immediately. This changes rules 28.1 and A3.

13 Shortened Courses

- 13.1 Courses may be shortened at any time at the sole discretion of the Race Officer. This changes RRS 32.1.
- 13.2 If the Race Officer signals a shortened course from the Committee Boat (displays flag S with two sound signals) before boats have reached mark 4s-4p (Course A- Windward/Leeward), or Mark 3 (Course B- Triangle/Sausage), boats must leave mark 4p or mark 3 as appropriate to port and proceed to the normal finish line. This replaces RRS 32.2.

14 Retirements

- 14.1 A boat retiring from a race will inform any race official boat by hailing or by VHF, stating their sail number and intention to retire or leave the course area. Failure to do so will not be grounds for inter-boat protests.

15 Time Limits

- 15.1 The time limit for a race will be 210 minutes after the start,
- 15.2 If no boat has passed mark one within 60 minutes of the start of a race, the race will be abandoned.

16 Protests and Requests for Redress

- 16.1 Protest forms will be available online on the championship website, see [Bandon Co-op Squib National Championships 2022 - Kinsale Yacht Club \(kyc.ie\)](#). Protests forms shall be completed and lodged online within the protest time limit, which will be 90 mins after the last boat finished the last race of the day.
- 16.2 Notices will be posted on the official notice board no later than 30 minutes after the time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named witnesses. Notices may also be posted on the Championship WhatsApp group.
- 16.3 Hearings will be held in the protest room located within Kinsale Yacht Club, beginning at the time posted. Directions to the protest room will be posted on the official notice board.
- 16.4 Notices of protests by the Race Committee or Protest Committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b) (Redress).
- 16.5 Protests will be heard as soon as possible, approximately in the order they were received . It is the responsibility of the protestor, protestee and witnesses to make themselves available for the hearing.

- 16.6 On the last day of the regatta a request for reopening a hearing under RRS 66 shall be delivered:
- 16.6.1 Within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day.
- 16.6.2 No later than 30 minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day. This changes RRS rule 66.
- 16.7 On the last day of racing a request for redress based on a jury or Protest Committee decision under RRS 62.2 shall be delivered no later than 30 mins after the decision was posted
- 16.8 To request a correction of an alleged error in posted race or series result a boat shall complete a Scoring enquiry form available online.

17 Scoring

- 17.1 The low point scoring system of RRS appendix A will apply.
- 17.2 Eight Championships races are scheduled. Three races are required to be completed to constitutes a series.
- 17.3 When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat`s series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 17.4 When four or more races have been completed a boat`s series score will be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst score.
- 17.5 When eight races have been completed a boat`s series score will be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst two scores.
- 17.6 Fleet Allocations – Gold and Silver fleets for both the Squib Nationals and Irish Squib Nations shall be designated as follows.
- 17.6.1 Squib National Championships – Gold, and Silver fleets will be allocated based on the overall results of the first 3 Championship races sailed. The Race Committee reserves the right to allocate boats to each fleet.
- 17.6.2 Irish Squib National Championships – Gold and silver fleets will be allocated based on the overall results on completion of the final race of the Championships.

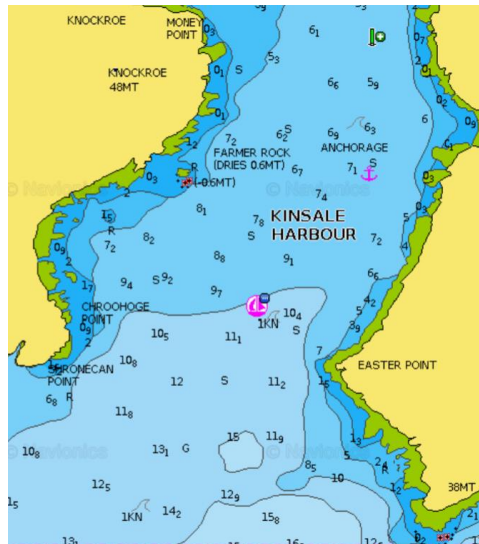
18 Safety Regulations

- 18.1 In addition to the safety items required by class rules, it is recommended competitors carry a suitable compass and a VHF radio.
- 18.2 Competitors are reminded not to interfere with shipping and ferries whilst sailing to and from the race area, particularly in the harbour area. Failure to comply with this instruction

may result in disqualification or other such penalty or action as the Race Committee deems appropriate.

- 18.3 In accordance with Irish Law, competitors shall always wear personal flotation devices when afloat, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. This changes rule 40. Wet suits and dry suits do not constitute personal flotation devices.
- 18.4 Failure to wear a personal flotation device shall not be grounds for inter-boat protests.
- 18.5 Competitors should familiarise themselves with Kinsale Harbour to ensure safe passage to and from the race area. Competitors should adhere to the navigation channel, particularly around low water.

Competitor's attention is drawn to 'Farmer's Rock' located on the Western shore of the outer harbour, South of Money Point. Competitors should treat it as a hazard to navigation and give it a wide berth.



Hazard to Navigation -Framers Rock

19 Replacement of Crew or equipment

- 19.1 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be permitted unless authorised by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the Race Committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 19.2 Substitution of competitors shall not be allowed without prior written approval of the Race Committee.
- 19.3 Request for substitution of crew and the request for substitution of equipment forms are available at the race office and shall be submitted there for consideration by the Race Committee.
- 19.4 In an emergency, or on a downwind leg of the course, the helmsman may hand over to the crew member who is not a member of the NSOA.

20 Equipment and Measurement checks

- 20.1 Pre-Championships measurement checks shall take place in accordance with the SI 5.
- 20.2 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat may be instructed by a Race Committee inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

21 Waste Disposal

- 21.1 The 2022 Squib Nationals is a registered Clean Regatta event. Competitors are requested to ensure every effort is made to align with Clean Regatta [Best Practices | Sailors for the Sea](#)
- 21.2 Filtered drinking water is available in the yacht Club dinghy park and at the top of the marina to encourage competitors to use reusable drinking bottles instead of single use plastics.
- 22.3 Competitors are reminded of their obligation under Rule 55, 'Trash Disposal'. All waste materials should remain on board and be disposed of in an appropriate manner using the waste and recycling bins available in the yacht Club dinghy park.

22 Haul-out Restrictions

- 22.1 All boats shall be launched before 1255 on Sunday 19th June and shall not be hauled out before the end of the Championships except with and according to the terms of prior permission of the Race Committee. Any boat so authorised shall not be scrubbed or cleaned below the waterline other than is necessary to effect repairs and shall be re-launched as soon as is possible.
- 22.2 Boats shall not be cleaned below the waterline, or plastic pools or equivalent used, after 1255 on Sunday 19th June until the end of the Championships.

Radio Communication

- 22.1 VHF channel **69** shall be used for Race Committee radio communications.
- 22.2 Except in an emergency, a boat while racing shall neither make nor receive communications which are not available to all boats.
- 22.3 The use of "smart" watches or devices displaying GPS derived information such as speed and course over ground are prohibited.

23 Prizes

- 23.1 Prizes will be awarded as described in NOR 23
- 23.2 The Holt daily prize-giving shall take place in Kinsale Yacht Clubhouse from 1800 hrs onwards daily.

- 23.3 The Championship prize-giving dinner shall take place in the Trident Hotel on Friday 24th June from 1930hrs

25 Data Protection

- 25.1 Kinsale Yacht Club, the NSOA and ISC have determined they have a Legitimate Interest to process your personal data for the purposes of the promotion, management, and reporting of the Squib National Championships. Kinsale Yacht Clubs privacy policy provides further details of how your personal data is processed, see [Privacy Policy - Kinsale Yacht Club \(kyc.ie\)](http://kyc.ie)
- 25.2 Should you require any additional information on how Kinsale Yacht Club processes your personal data, opt out or wish to lodge a complaint, please contact info@kyc.ie

26 Risk Statement

- 26.1 Rule 4 of the racing rules of sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."
- 26.2 Kinsale Yacht Club members, employees and agents thereof, volunteers race officials, the NSOA, the ISC and all sponsors are providing this series of races only on the understanding that they bear no responsibility for any loss, damage, injury or inconvenience to the boats or persons however arising, directly or indirectly by any accident or wrongful negligent act, default or omission of any member or any other person during the Squib National Championships or any other related activity. Owners shall acknowledge their responsibilities on the official entry form and draw the attention of their crew to this disclaimer before the start of any race
- 26.3 Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the regatta, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that.
- 26.3.1 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 regatta.
- 26.3.2 They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat, and their other property whether afloat or ashore.
- 26.3.3 They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss caused by their own actions or omissions.
- 26.3.4 Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the regatta and they are fit to participate.
- 26.3.5 The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the regatta organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.

- 26.3.6 The provision of safety boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the prevailing circumstances.
- 26.3.7 It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this regatta drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or regatta and to attend any safety briefing held for the regatta.
- 26.3.8 The fact that the Race committee conducts inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor to ensure complies with this instruction.

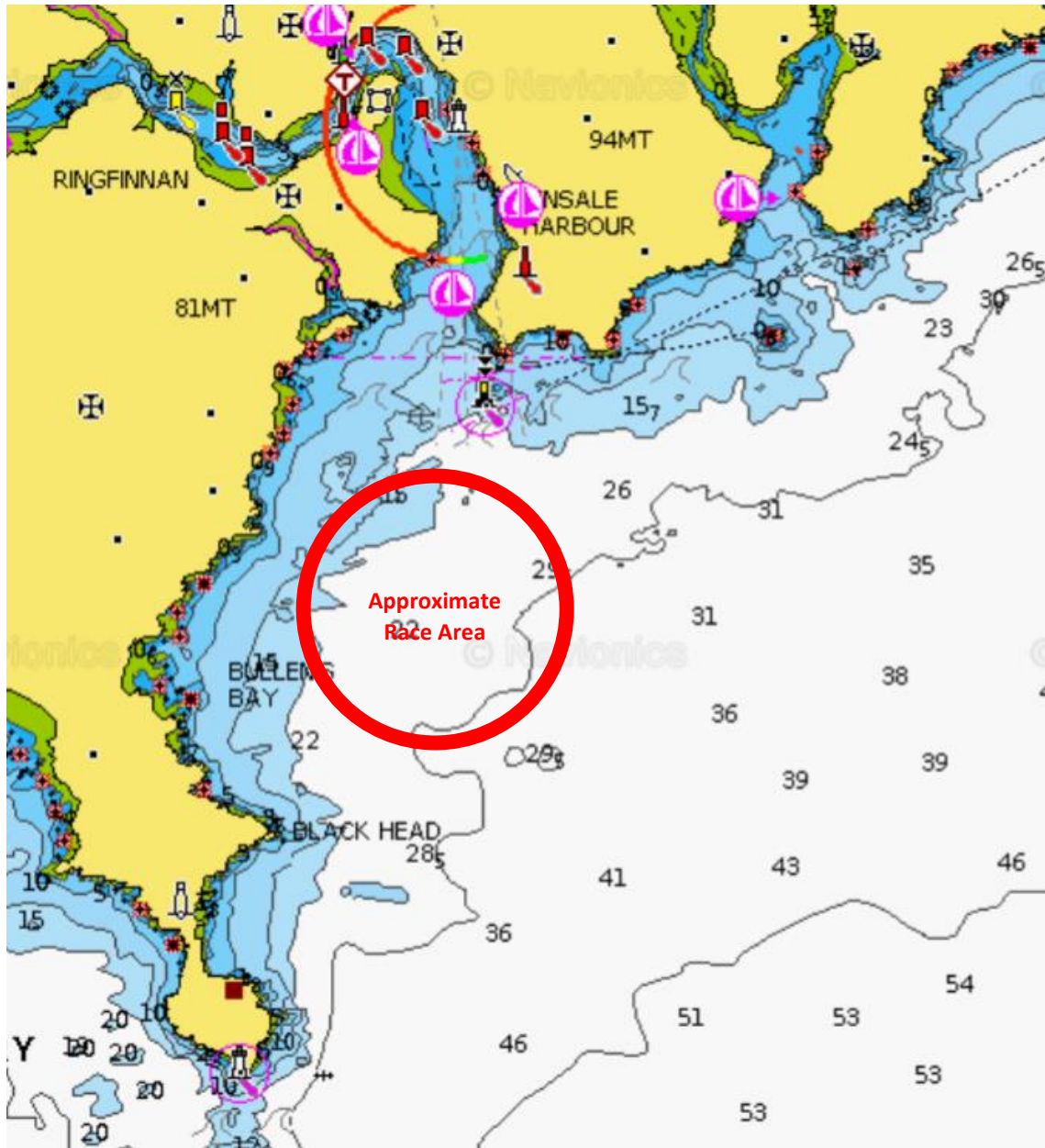
27 Insurance

- 27.1 It is the duty of each boat owner to have his/her boat adequately insured against any risk, including civil responsibility to third parties and to ensure that such insurance remains valid for the entirety of the Championships.

28 Emergency Response

- 28.1 In the event of an on the water emergency, the Championship Emergency Response plan shall be invoked. The Race Committee shall be responsible for the coordination of any such response.

Appendix A, Kinsale Racing Area

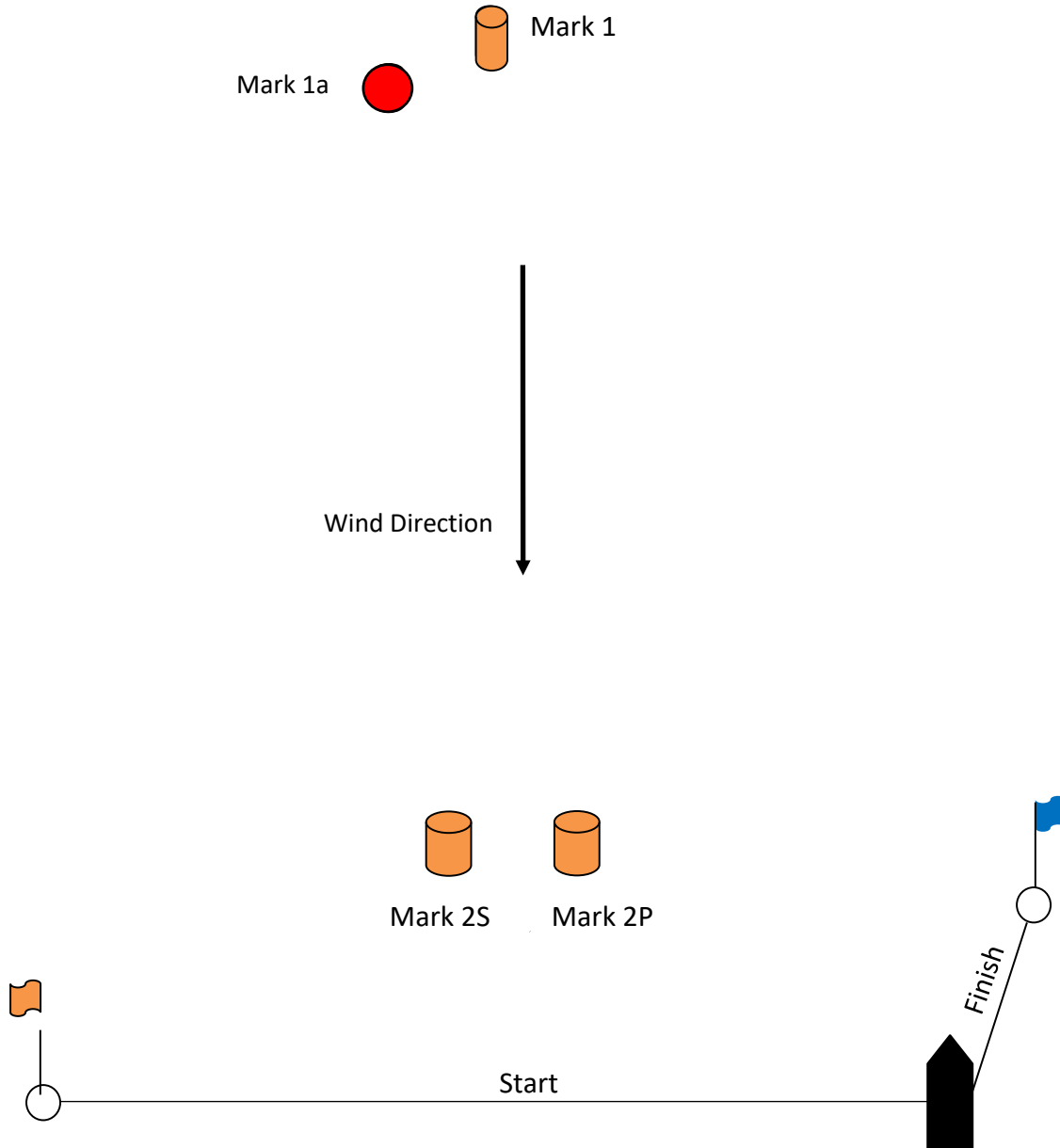


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Appendix B, Course Configuration

Course A - Windward/Leeward

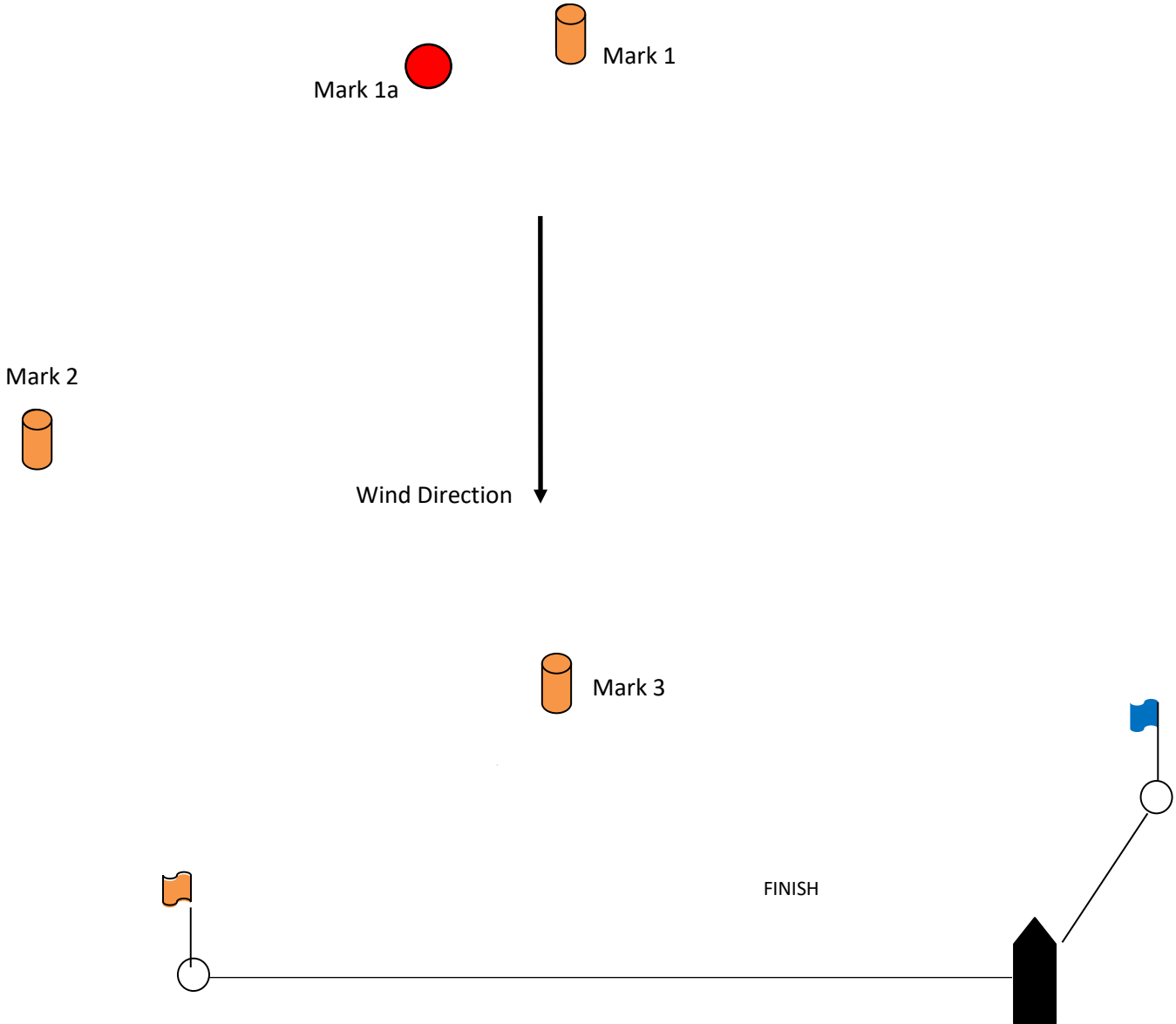
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Course WL	Windward / Leeward	
Signal	Mark Rounding/Passing Order	
WL1	Start - 1 - 1a - 2P - Finish	1 Laps
WL2	Start - 1 - 1a - 2S/2P - 1 - 1a - 2P - Finish	2 Laps
WL3	Start - 1 - 1a - 2S/2P - 1 - 1a - 2S/2P - 1 - 1a - 2P - Finish	3 Laps
WL4	Start - 1 - 1a - 2S/2P - 1 - 1a - 2S/2P - 1 - 1a - 2S/2P - 1 - 1a - 2P - Finish	4 Laps

Course B- Triangle/Sausage

(Not to Scale)



Course B	Triangle Sausage
Signal	Mark Rounding/Passing Order
TS1	Start - 1 - 1a - 2 - 3 - Finish 1 Lap
TS2	Start - 1 - 1a - 2 - 3 - 1 - 1a - 3 - Finish 2 Laps
TS3	Start - 1 - 1a - 2 - 3 - 1 - 1a - 3 - 1 - 1a - 2 - 3 - Finish 3 Laps
TS4	Start - 1 - 1a - 2 - 3 - 1 - 1a - 3 - 1 - 1a - 2 - 3 - 1 - 1a - 3 - Finish 4 Laps