



FRANK CLARK LTD

SQUIB SOUTH COAST CHAMPIONSHIP

3rd & 4th September 2022

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Organising Authority (OA) will be Kinsale Yacht Club.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2021-2024.
- 1.2 The prescriptions of Irish Sailing will apply.
- 1.3 The rules of the National Squib class will apply. See SI 17.4 regarding use of spare spinnaker.
- 1.4 The owner and competing helmsman of the boat shall be current members of the NSOA. In an emergency, or on a downwind leg of the course, the helmsman may hand over to a crew member who is not a member of the NSOA.
- 1.5 Should a conflict arise between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) which is the Regatta Office window located on the ground floor of Kinsale Yacht clubhouse.
- 2.2 The Race Committee (RC) may draw attention to Race Signals given on the Race Committee Vessel and communicate other information on VHF at any time. The RC will transmit on Channel 69, or other such channel as may be displayed on the Race Committee Vessel. Failure to transmit or to receive such communication will not be grounds for redress by a boat. This changes rule 62.1(a)
- 2.3 While racing, from the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. Failure to comply with this rule will not be subject to inter-boat protests. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be made on the Club flagpole (located in the Dinghy Park) & displayed on the official notice board.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP

5 SCHEDULE

Six (6) races are scheduled as follows.

Date	1st Race Warning Signal	Number of Races
3 rd Sept 2022	1155 hrs	Up to four (4) races may be sailed
4 th Sept 2022	1055 hrs	Remaining races to complete series

- 5.1 The warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable.
- 5.2 On Sunday 14th August, the first warning signal of a race will not be made after 1430 hrs

6 CLASS FLAGS

The Class Flag will be Naval Numeral 9.

7. RACING AREA

Races will be sailed in the waters between the Sovereign Islands and the Old Head of Kinsale.

8 THE COURSE

- 8.1 The diagram in SI Addendum 1 shows the course, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left. All marks shall be left to port unless a gate has been laid at Mark position 3, where boats must pass between the marks
- 8.2 No later than four minutes before the warning signal, the RC will signal the number of rounds to be sailed. Numeral Pennant 2 signifies 2 rounds and Numeral Pennant 3 signifies 3 rounds.
- 8.3 The RC may display the approximate compass bearing to Mark 1.

9 MARKS

- 9.1 Marks 1 & 3S, 3P will be inflatable buoys.
- 9.2 Mark 2 will be a red inflatable buoy.
- 9.3 The start mark and finish mark will be a danbuoy with an orange flag.

10 THE START

- 10.1 Races will be started using RRS26 with the warning signal given 5 minutes before the starting signal.
- 10.2 The starting line will be a line between a red and white pole on the Race Committee Boat and a danbuoy.
- 10.3 The RC may attempt to broadcast individual recall OCS sail numbers no earlier than one minute after the starting signal on the designated VHF channel.
- 10.4 When Rule 30.4 (Black Flag Rule) applies, and following a general recall, the RC may, in addition to the requirements of Rule 30.4, broadcast sail numbers on the designated VHF channel.
- 10.5 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without hearing. This changes Rules A4 and A5

11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 11.1 Minor adjustments of mark positions will not be signalled by the RC
- 11.2 Boats shall pass between the RC vessel signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the RC Vessel to starboard.

12 THE FINISH

- 12.1 The finishing line will be between the mast on a Committee Vessel displaying a blue flag and a danbuoy.
- 12.2 When the Blue Flag is displayed no boat shall pass through the finishing line, in either direction, except to finish. Any boat in breach of this SI shall be scored as DNF without a hearing. This changes Rules A4.1 and A5.
- 12.3 In addition to Rule 32, - when a Race Committee vessel displaying code flag F, making repeated sound signals, is positioned adjacent to a mark of the course, boats, having rounded that mark, shall proceed directly to the Finish line to finish. SI 12.2 will apply. This changes Rules 32.2 and 33.

13 TIME LIMITS

- 13.1 The race time limit (see RRS 35), and the finishing window are shown in the table below

Race Time Limit	Finishing Window
75 minutes	15 minutes

- 13.2 The finishing window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalised, or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. A boat scored TLE shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the points scored by the last boat that finished within the Finishing Window. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10
- 13.3 If the first boat has not rounded the first mark of the course within 45 minutes of the starting signal, the race will be abandoned.

14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 14.1 Protests forms are available at the yacht club bar. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
- 14.2 The protest time limit starts after the last boat has finished the last race of the day and will last for 90 minutes.
- 14.3 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of the time and place of hearings.
- 14.4 On the last day of the event a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered.
 - a within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision the previous day
 - b no later than one hour after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day.
 - c This changes RRS66.
- 14.5 For the purpose of RRS64.3 (b), the 'authority responsible' will be the Irish Sailing Association.

15 SCORING

- 15.1 The Low Points scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 15.2 Three races are required to constitute a series.
- 15.3 When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores
- 15.4 When 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

15 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 15.1 Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices at all times when afloat, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wet suits and dry suits are not personal flotation devices. This changes rule 40.
- 15.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity. The boat must ensure this communication is acknowledged.

16 REPLACEMENTS OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 16.1 Substitution of helms shall not be allowed without prior written approval of the Race Committee.
- 16.2 All boats shall sail under their registered class number.
- 16.3 Permission to change boats/hulls shall be sought in writing from the Race Committee.
- 16.4 No boat shall use any sail(s) other than her own measured ones except with the prior written permission of the Race Committee. No boat shall use the sail number of another boat that is competing in the event.

17 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 17.1 Boats may be checked before or after any race at the discretion of the Race Committee.

- 17.2 Before a boat is eligible to race, her current, valid measurement certificate must be presented at the Race Office. RRS78.2 (Compliance with Class Rules; Certificates) will be applied.
- 17.3 Each boat, with her sails and equipment, shall be available for inspection by request of the race committee during the event.
- 17.4 Boats may carry a spare spinnaker which may only be used in the event of the primary spinnaker being damaged.
- 17.5 Before a boat is eligible to race, the following must be advised to the Race Office:
 - A valid RYA/ISA measurement certificate.
 - A current NSOA subscription.

18 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 18.1 All boats shall be afloat by the warning signal for the first race of the event and shall not thereafter be removed from the water before the end of the event except with the prior written permission of the Race Committee.
- 18.2 Any boat permitted by the Race Committee to be removed from the water to inspect damage and/or effect repairs shall not be scrubbed or cleaned below the water line other than is necessary to effect repairs and must be re-launched as soon as possible.
- 18.3 Boats shall not be cleaned below the water line between the warning signal of the first race until the conclusion of the event. Rudders may be removed.

19 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 19.1 A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile phones. This instruction does not apply to any transmissions made for safety reasons or to advise the Race Committee of a boat's retirement. The Committee vessel will be monitoring Channel 69.

20 PRIZES

- 20.1 Prizes will be awarded to First and second place in both Gold and Silver Fleets for both helmsman and crew.
- 20.2 Gold and silver fleet results and prizes will be extracted from the overall results.

21 RISK STATEMENT

- 21.1 Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk (See Rule 3 – "Decision to Race"). The OA will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the event.
- 21.2 Kinsale Yacht Club, including its officers, employees and agents, the race management team, the support boats, and anyone helping to run the event shall not be liable for any loss, damage, death, or personal injury however caused to the owner/competitor or crew as a result of their taking part in the event.

22 INSURANCE

22.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid and adequate third-party liability insurance.

Addendum 1

Course Diagram

Sequence of Mark Rounding's

Two Rounds	Start – 1 – 2 – 3S/3P – 1 – 2 – 3S/3P - Finish
Three Rounds	Start – 1 – 2 – 3S/3P – 1 – 2 – 3S/3P – 1 – 2 – 3S/3P - Finish

