

RNSA/RDYC 2014 Friday Series Sailing Instructions

1. Eligibility

Races will be open to any yacht from Yacht Clubs of Weymouth and any visiting yachts wishing to take part. There is no entry fee.

2. Race Officer (RO) of the day

The volunteer RO will be aboard one of the participating boats and their appointment will be arranged by radio and agreement prior to the start (typically around 1820).

3. Radio Channel

All communication will be on VHF Channel M1. Anyone not receiving on this channel should try channel 37 or hail a fellow competitor to inform the RO who may elect to change channels.

4. Classes and Handicaps

NHC (PYS) handicaps will apply. NHC is the National Handicap for Cruisers run by the RYA, which is replacing PYS, and details can be found at www.rya.org.uk/racing/pages/nhc.aspx together with a download for all boats listed. The RO can assist those members requiring handicaps for their boats after the race. Any dissent must be preceded by the down-payment of a pint for the RO! There will be only one class displaying flag pennant 1.

5. Start & Time

The starting line will be in the NE part of Portland Harbour in the vicinity of buoy 10 (see chart below), to be announced along with the course by the RO.

The RO will give a 15 minute initial warning with details of the course at approximately 18:30, followed by 10 minute and 5 minute warning countdowns with a final countdown to the start.

Aggressive starting tactics against the RO boat is discouraged as this can upset the countdown!

Participants should leave radios on throughout the race in order to be made aware of any changes to the course.

6. Cancellation of Race

In the event of high winds a race will be cancelled. The notice of cancellation will be posted on the RNSA website Notices page about the Friday series at <http://www.rnsa.net/sections/notices.aspx?SectionID=49> by 1630 hours on the day of the race. This page can also be accessed by using the menus on www.rnsa.net – the “Branches” tab at the top followed by the “Portland” tab on the left and “Notices” within the drop down box.

7. Courses

The course length should be designed such that the fastest boat sails for about an hour and the slowest about 1 hour 30 minutes. A shortened course can be announced by the RO by radio during the race using any mark of the course, but one that is well in advance of the lead boat reaching that mark.

The first race on 30 May will be set, weather permitting, such that the finish is near Weymouth Harbour entrance to allow competitors to catch the 2000 bridge that evening.

8. Finishing Line

The finishing line will be the starting line, unless the RO specifies the final mark of the course which, together with a specified bearing, will form the finishing line.

9. Time Limit

The time limit for Friday series races is 1 hour 30 minutes, or 30 minutes after the first boat of that class finishes, whichever is later.

10. Time Reporting

Each competitor is required to take their own finish time and confirm this to the RO by VHF as soon as possible after finishing.

The RO should then email (preferred) or text this information, together with confirmation of the start time, to Ian Bowker at ian@bowkerlodge.co.uk or 07749 804291 respectively.

All times should ideally be taken by reference to a SatNav driven clock, but elapsed time using a watch will be accepted.

Results will be published on the RNSA website at

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11. Scoring & Trophies:

Scoring for each Friday series of five races will be based on a low points system with two discards.

Trophies will be presented for the first overall in class, in each series. Additional trophies may be presented dependent on the number of Qualifying Yachts, at the RDYC's discretion.

12. Trophies & Prize Giving

Trophies will be presented at the discretion of the Committee. The prize giving will be held at the annual RDYC Prize Giving Dinner.

Marks in Portland Harbour

Line outer limit	Moveable dan-buoy	2 red flags		
1	Yellow Pillar Buoy	1 orange flag	50 35.39 N	2 27.30 W
2	Yellow Pillar Buoy	1 orange flag	50 35.29 N	2 27.37 W
3	Yellow Pillar Buoy	1 orange flag	50 35.07 N	2 27.24 W
4	Yellow Pillar buoy	1 orange flag	50 34.76 N	2 27.15 W
5	Yellow Pillar Buoy	1 orange flag	50 34.63 N	2 26.72 W
6	Yellow Pillar Buoy	1 orange flag	50 35.21 N	2 25.58 W
7	Yellow Pillar Buoy	1 orange flag	50 35.40 N	2 25.90 W
8	Yellow Pillar Buoy	1 orange flag	50 35.73 N	2 26.68 W
9	White Pillar Buoy	1 orange flag	50 35.70 N	2 26.92 W
10	Yellow Pillar Buoy		details to be advised	

Marks in Weymouth Bay

A	Arish Mell *	Yellow can FI Y 5s	50 35.00 N	2 11.70 W
B	Bowleaze	Red WSC sphere	50 37.52 N	2 24.53 W
C	Chemmers	Red WSC sphere	50 37.58 N	2 25.24 W
D	Destroyer	Yellow can FI Y2s (most S'thly)	50 36.38 N	2 26.20 W
E	Eastern Entrance		50 35.10 N	2 24.88 W
F	Franklin	Red WSC sphere	50 36.50 N	2 24.76 W
G	Outer noise range	Yellow can FI Y (SE of 4)	50 33.67 N	2 24.12 W
H _B		Red WSC sphere	50 37.30 N	2 25.81 W
I	India	Red WSC sphere	50.36.05 N	2 26.05 W
J _B		Red WSC sphere	50.37.00 N	2 25.00 W
K _B		Red WSC sphere	50.37.16 N	2 24.10 W
L	St Albans *	Yellow can	50 33 25 N	2 06.30 W
M _B	Mid Bay	Red WSC sphere	50.36.70 N	2 24.19 W
N	Northern Entrance		50 35.68 N	2 25.83 W
O		Orange sphere	50.37.00 N	2 26.38 W
R	Ringstead	Red WSC sphere	50 37.15 N	2 21.70 W
S	E. Shambles *	E pillar BYB Qu FI 3 10s	50 31.26 N	2 20.08 W
T	Eastern mark	Yellow Narrow Pillar	50 36.50 N	2 25.47 W
X		Red WSC sphere	50.36.84 N	2 25.90 W

* A, L and S not shown on diagram

To	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	E	N
1		027	357	355	337	283	273	232	221		284	256
2	207		343	208	331	277	267	228	218		280	252
3	177	163		349	326	266	252	212	202		272	239
4	175	169	173		299	249	234	200	192		260	226
5	157	151	146	119		235	217	185	177		251	212
6	103	097	086	069	055		136	130	123		287	162
7	093	087	072	054	037	310		127	118		298	191
8	052	048	032	020	005	314	307		082		302	284
9	042	038	022	012	357	303	298	262			298	275
10												
E	104	100	092	080	071	107	118	122	118			137
N	076	072	0659	046	032	345	012	099	095		315	

