



Thornton Steward Sailing Club

Bedale North Yorkshire HG4 4BQ

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Latitude Series

12th and 13th April 2025

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

1.1 Racing will take place under The Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028 (RRS), the Class Rules, The Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions (SIs). In the event of a conflict these SIs shall apply.

1.2 The prescriptions of the RYA and the rules of the 2000 Class Associations and Thornton Steward Sailing Club will apply.

1.3 Either the helm or crew must be a current member of the 2000 Class Association.

1.4 Rule 40 shall apply at all times while afloat. Flag Y will not be displayed on shore. This changes RRS 40.

1.5 Competitors may be required to display provided advertising material by their Class Association or the Organising Authority in line with World Sailing Advertising Code, Regulation 20.

1.6 Competitors should note that Thornton Steward Sailing Club implements the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be required to undertake to sail in compliance with the Charter which can be found at the front of the RYA rule book.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board, located by the front door of the club house.

2.2 There will be a competitors briefing at 12:00 on Saturday and 09:00 on Sunday.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted not less than 40 minutes before the advertised start of any race or races concerned.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagstaff outside the front of the clubhouse.

4.2 When flown ashore, Flag L with a sound signal means: 'A notice to competitors has been posted'.

4.3 When Flag AP is flown ashore, race signal AP is changed in that '1 minute' is replaced by 'not less than 30 minutes'.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 Briefing for competitors will take as shown in the table below.

5.2 It is intended that there will be three back to back races each day with the warning signal for the first start of the day shown in the table below.

	Briefing	First race warning signal
12 th April 2025	12:00	12:55
13 th April 2025	09:00	09:55

5.3 Any races which cannot be completed on any day will be deemed to be restarted or resailed as the first race of the following day.

5.4 At the discretion of the Race Officer in consultation with the Class Representatives a race or races may be brought forward to allow for any inclement weather forecasts. This decision will be announced at the briefing and/or on the official notice board.

5.5 No warning signal will be made after 1500 hrs on Sunday 13th April 2025.

6. Class Flags

6.1 The class flags will be the Class Association flag or the international code flag 'R', with an announcement made at the briefing.

7. COURSE

7.1 The diagrams in Attachment A show the courses, including the order in which marks are to be passed. The course will be displayed outside the club house.

7.2 The race committee boat will display the number of laps on a board from no later than the warning signal until at least the starting signal for each start.

8. MARKS

8.1 Except for the start and finish marks, the marks to be used will be yellow buoys.

9 THE START

9.1 The race officer may indicate that the next race sequence is about to start by repeated short sound signals and displaying the orange flag on the committee boat at least 1 minute before the warning signal.

9.2 Racing will be started in accordance with rule 26 (5,4,1,GO).

9.3 The starting line will be between the staff on the committee boat at the starboard end of the line and a port end mark, each displaying an orange flag.

9.4 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored "Did Not Start". This changes rule 35, 63.1, A4 and A5.

10. THE FINISH

10.1 The approximate location of the finish line is shown in Attachment A. The finish line will be between the committee boat displaying a blue flag and the finish mark a buoy with an orange flag.

10.2 The course may be shortened by flying Flag 'S' which will be displayed on the relevant committee boat or rib as the leading boat of the class is approaching a mark. If the race is shortened at mark 2, boats shall proceed from Mark 2 to the normal finish line. This change is an addition to RRS 32.1.

10.3 In order to reduce delay between races, the Race Committee may finish boats on the course by recording their positions from a RIB, displaying flag W, which will motor up the course recording boats as it passes them. The decision of the Race Committee is final and will not be grounds for a competitor to seek redress.

10.4 Boats that have finished should keep clear of boats still racing.

11 PENALTY SYSTEM AND TIME LIMITS

11.1 If no boat has reached the first mark within 30 minutes, that race will be abandoned, although it may be restarted.

11.2 A boat that Did Not Start, Did Not Finish or Retired After Finishing shall inform the race office within the protest time limit.

12. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

12.1 Protest forms are available at the club office. Protest forms shall be returned there within the protest time limit.

12.2 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day. This time limit will be extended by 30 minutes for all protests by the Race Committee relating to incidents observed in the racing area.

12.3 Notices will be posted within 20 minutes of the end of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

12.4 Breaches of instructions 12.2, 12.3, and 12.4 will not be grounds for a protest by a competitor. This changes rule 60.1(a).

13 ADVISORY AND ARBITRATION HEARINGS; EXONERATION PENALTY

The Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration procedures of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available. For these purposes an Exoneration Penalty of 20% shall apply, as described in RRS 44.3, although the score of a penalised boat shall be no worse than the score if she had retired.

14. SAFETY REGULATIONS AND LOCAL ISSUES

14.1 All helms and crews shall wear adequate personal buoyancy at all times while on the water. This changes Rule 40.

14.2 All boats shall avoid interfering with people fishing from the shore.

14.4 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

15. SCORING

15.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

15.2 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.

16 MEASURING

16.1 Competitors are required to allow the race committee, the class committee or a duly authorized representative of either body to measure or inspect a boat at any time when she is not racing.

17 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

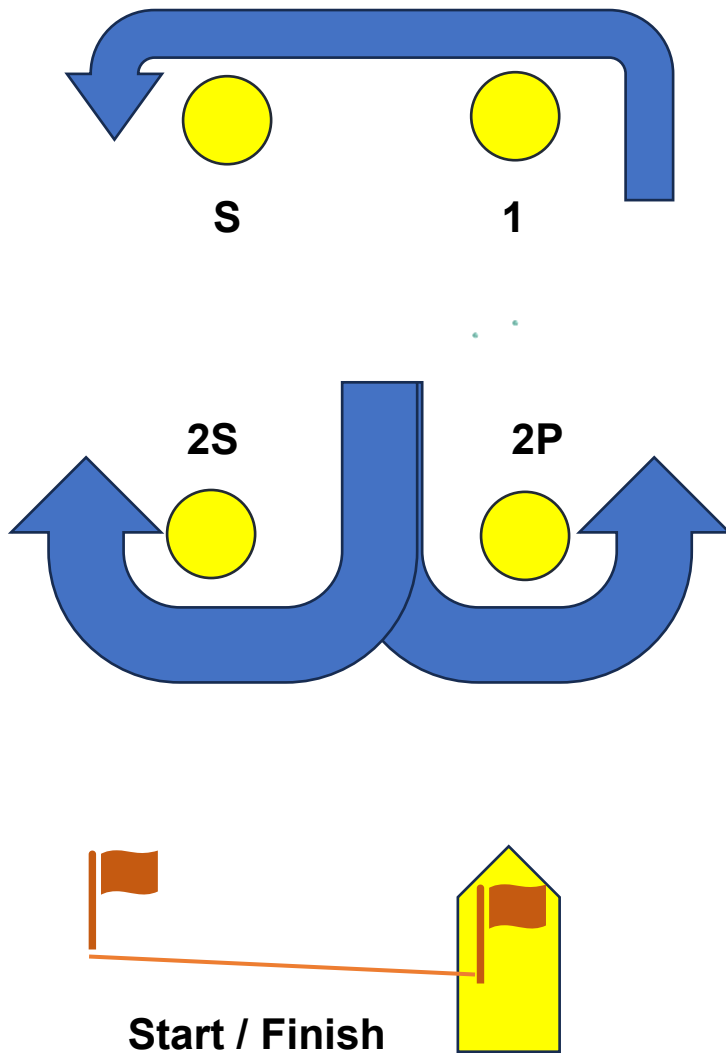
17.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4 Decision to Race. The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction or prior to, during or after the regatta.

18. INSURANCE

18.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2 million.

Attachment A

Course – Windward / Leeward



Marks 1, S, 2S and 2P will be spherical yellow Buoys.

Committee boat will fly an orange flag at the start and a blue flag at the finish. Pin end will be a dan buoy with an orange flag

Laps	Mark Rounding Order
1	Start – 1 - S – 2P/2S - Finish
2	Start - 1 - S - 2S/2P - 1 - S - 2P - Finish
3	Start - 1 - S - 2S/2P - 1 - S - 2S/2P - 1 - S - 2P - Finish
4	Start - 1 - S - 2S/2P - 1 - S - 2S/2P - 1 - S - 2S/2P - 1 - S - 2P - Finish
>4	Start – (1 – S – 2S/2P) repeated as per number of laps - Finish

