

LOSC Tuesday Night Racing – 2018

Notice of Race

Tuesday night racing will commence on Tuesday April 23, 2018 and run each Tuesday until the last Tuesday in September. The first race will start at 6:00 pm. All classes will start together and results will be handicapped using current Portsmouth handicaps.

The Series will be governed by ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020, the CYA Prescriptions to the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020, and this Notice of Race.

Race Committee

The Race Committee is responsible for running races from the Race Committee Deck in front of the Clubhouse and recording and reporting results. The Race Committee shall be familiar with the duties as set out below. This is a full-time duty extending typically one half hour prior to start of racing and one half hour after the finish of racing.

The Course

Courses will be simple windward leeward with the start going either north or south depending on the wind direction. All marks are to be rounded to port. So each race will be Start – Windward Mark – Leeward Mark – Finish.

The Start

The start line will be between the flag staff on the clubhouse deck and a mark set approximately 50m offshore.

Signals

About 30 seconds before the warning signal make two or three short sounds to alert competitors that the sequence is about to start.

Time to start	Flags	Sound Signal
<i>5 min</i>	<i>Class flag displayed</i>	<i>Warning signal</i>
<i>4 min</i>	<i>Preparatory flag displayed</i>	<i>Preparatory signal</i>
<i>1 min</i>	<i>Preparatory signal flag(s) removed</i>	<i>One minute signal</i>
<i>0 min</i>	<i>Class flag removed and start race time watch</i>	

No boat may start a race later than 5 minutes after the start signal.

The Finish

The finish line is between the flag staff on the clubhouse deck and the start mark set approximately 50m offshore. The finish line shall be crossed from the direction of the leeward mark.

The race committee will record the sail number and time each boat crosses the line (elapsed time in minutes and seconds) on the race record sheet. The starter will turn in the race record sheet to Rupert Holmes-Smith, Garry Ford or Stan Storwick.

Time limit for each race is 1 hour. Any boats not finishing within the time limit will be scored DNF.

Other Signal Made Ashore

Postponement of the race will be signalled by the Answering Pennant.

Abandon Race will be signalled by the flags N over X.

Number of Races

Races will run as long as daylight permits with the Race Committee starting the last race such that it can easily be completed before the sun sets.

Protests

A boat intending to file a protest must inform the shore based race committee as soon as is reasonable after finishing the race in question. A written protest form must be submitted to the Race Committee within 30 minutes of the last boat to finish the last race of the day. A Protest Committee will be convened and the protest will be heard as soon as is practical after receipt of the written protest form. The proceedings of the Protest Committee will be open to observers as a learning opportunity.

Scoring

Every boat racing will be scored. The Series will be scored using the Low Point System based on the Appendix A of the ISAF Rules as modified by this Notice of Race. In the Low Point System, a boat is given the number of points equal to her finish position. The boat with the least number of points wins. The Series will be scored with 33% discards. Penalty scoring will be as follows:

- DNC (Did Not Compete) = Number of finishers + 2.
- DNS (Did Not Start) = Number of finishers + 1. Note: A boat that sails a race on one night will be given DNS for all other races she did not sail that night
- DNF (Did Not Finish) = Number of finishers + 1
- OOD (Officer on Duty) will be assigned to any boat that acts as the Race Committee. The points for OOD are the best of
 - Average of all her non-DNC results
 - DNC for that day

This effectively removes any penalty for acting as the Race Committee.