

Combined Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Virtual Racing Rules of Sailing dated 22nd January 2019
- 1.2 Rule infringements will be decided by the VR system and its decisions are final and are not appealable.
- 1.3 The race committee shall be defined as those with the "Moderator" or "Admin" role on the Discord server (link mentioned below)
- 1.3a Every member of the race committee acts with full authority and their decision is not to be grounds for protest. See 1.4
- 1.4 There shall be no protests.

2. ENTRY

- 2.1 Each team must have:
 - 1 team leader who will help run the races. It is advised that the team leader should have an active VIP Virtual Regatta account. If the team leader doesn't have a VIP account, this must be noted in the entrant application, this may be used as grounds for a decline of entry.
 - 4 additional members
 - 1 substitute member
- 2.2 Register your team by filling out this online form: "https://forms.gle/nkDzcX3GWmypX9BfA"
- 2.2 There will be a maximum of 20 teams
- 2.3 All entries must be made by Friday 8th May 1500 BST

3. FORMAT OF RACING

3.1 For a given race, each team will race against 1 other team.

- 3.2 Each team will be scheduled to race against every other team.
- 3.3 Each race must have 2 team leaders, one will initiate the race and be one of the competitors. See 8.1
- 3.4 The team leader in each team will be responsible for collecting results and submitting the details of the results and numbers of the participating teams using the Discord server (https://discord.gg/TxJC2v8) "#results-submission" chat.

4. SCHEDULE

4.1 Teams will be notified on Friday 8th May which days they will be racing.

Each team will be racing on a minimum of 3 of the following days.

Day	Saturday 9th	Sunday 10th	Wednesday	Thursday	Saturday	Sunday
	May	May	13th May	14th May	16th May	17th May
Time	First race	First race	First race	First race	First race	First race
	1900 BST	1900 BST	1900 BST	1900 BST	1900 BST	1900 BST

- 4.2 Each team will race every other team throughout these aforementioned dates.
- 4.3 The order of races and the teams racing will be posted on its respective day on the Discord server "#racing-schedule" (link previously mentioned)
- 4.4 Times of the first start and the access code shall be advised by the race committee before 1600 on the day of racing.
- 4.5 A race management meeting will take place 20 minutes before the first race of that day. All team leaders are required to attend.

5. EQUIPMENT

5.1 The equipment to be sailed will be the J70.

6. COURSE

The course will be "Upwind Long" – a windward / leeward course with an offset mark and a downwind finish. TWO laps. The race target time will be 6 minutes. See diagram below.

7. SCORING

7.1 The team with the lowest number of points in a given race will score 1st and the other team will score 2nd. If a team does not attend a race, they will be scored 2nd and the team that does turn up will be scored 1st.

- 7.2 If both teams fail to submit the results for a given race, they shall both be scored 2nd in that race without a hearing.
- 7.3 There will be no discards.
- 7.4 Ties will be broken at the complete discretion of the race committee and no hearings shall be given under any circumstances.

8. STARTING RACES

- 8.1 Races shall be started by a team leader from one of the teams in the race. This shall be organised by both teams in a given race through the Discord server (link previously mentioned). The team leaders must be fair and reasonable. Failure to fairly organise a race will result in both teams scoring 2nd.
- 8.1a Race team leaders shall coordinate with each other and their teams to make sure that their team members race in 2 different colours. E.g. Team 3 Red, Team 5 White.
- 8.1b If a team is 10 or more minutes late for any race then they will be scored as per 7.1
- 8.2 Races shall be started by using the following signals.

Minutes before starting signal

Visual signal Sound signal Means

1:15 P and Virtual Regatta flag

One Warning signal 1:00 P removed One Preparatory signal

0:00 Virtual Regatta flag removed

One Starting signal

9. PRIZES

- 9.1 Prizes will be presented to the overall winning team as decided by the race committee.
- 9.2 The nature and value of these prizes is yet to be determined.

10. AMENDMENTS

- 10.1 Amendments shall be made at any time by the race committee and this document will be updated.
- 10.2 An amendment's effect will take place immediately.
- 10.3 Amendments will be announced in the Discord server (link previously mentioned)

COURSE DIAGRAM

Mark Rounding Order

Start - 1 - 1a - 2s/2p - 1 - 1a - Finish

(not to scale)

