

UK Tasar Association

UK National Championships

Friday 17th – Sunday 19th September 2010

Organising Authority
Royal Torbay Yacht Club
Torquay, Devon, England

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2009 – 2012(RRS)

2. ADVERTISING

2.1 The regatta is designated category C. There will be no restriction on the number or coverage of advertisers' logos or slogans except that the front 25% of the hull is reserved for an event sponsor.

2.2 The helm and crew shall be a member of the UK Tasar Class Association or an approved Tasar Region.

2.3 Competitors shall complete the entry form and pay the necessary dues in order to be eligible to race.

3. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

3.1 Notice to Competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the foyer of the Royal Torbay Yacht Club clubhouse.

3.2 A competitors briefing will be held at 1230 hours on Friday 17th September in the Royal Torbay Yacht Club clubhouse.

4. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0930 on the day it will take effect, except that any changes to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before they will take effect.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flagpole located at the inshore end of Haldon Pier.

5.2 Flag D with one sound means "The warning signal will be made not less than 55 minutes after flag D is displayed. Boats are requested not to leave the harbour until the signal is made.

5.3 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1 Dates of racing, planned number of races, and scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is:

Date	Number of Races	Warning Signal
Friday 17 th September	2	1355 hours
Saturday 18 th September	3	1155 hours
Sunday 19 th September	3	1025 hours

6.2 When more than one race will be held on the same day, the warning signal for the first race and each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable. After a long postponement, to alert boats that a race will begin soon, the Orange flag will be displayed with a long sound signal for at least four minutes before a warning signal is displayed.

6.3 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 1500 hours.

7. CLASS FLAG

Class flag will be the Tasar Class Flag

8. RACING AREA

The racing area will be within the waters of Torbay.

9. THE COURSES

9.1 The diagrams in Attachment A show the courses, including the course signals, the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

9.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display on a blackboard:

- (a) The course to be sailed.
- (b) The approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

10. MARKS

10.1 Marks 1, 2, and 3, will be orange inflated buoys.

10.2 New marks, as provided in sailing instruction 12, will be a yellow inflatable buoy.

10.3 The starting marks for the start will be a race committee boat displaying an orange flag and a white dan buoy with an orange flag.

10.4 Finishing marks will be a race committee boat displaying a blue flag, and a white dan buoy with a blue flag.

11. THE START

11.1 Races will be started using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.

11.2 The starting line will be between the mast on the committee boat displaying an orange flag and the white dan buoy displaying an orange flag at the port end of the line.

11.3 A boat shall not start later than 4 minutes after her starting signal.

12. CHANGE TO THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

13. THE FINISH

13.1 The finishing line will be between the mast on the committee boat displaying a blue flag and the finishing mark which will be a white dan buoy displaying an blue flag at the starboard end of the line.

13.2 Lowering the blue flag when the last boat has finished the race or the time limit has expired will close the finishing line.

13.3 Boats shall keep clear of the finishing area after finishing and before the finishing line is closed (SI 13.2). A boat that infringes this instruction will be scored Did Not Finish in the race she has just finished. This changes rules A4 and A5.

14. TIME LIMIT AND TARGET TIMES

14.1 Time limits, target times and extension times are as follows:

RACES	TARGET TIME	TIME LIMIT	EXTENSION
All races	50 minutes	100 minutes	30 minutes

14.2 Boats failing to finish within the extension time (see 14.1) after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes rules 35, A4, and A5.

15. PENALTY SYSTEM

15.1 Any boat that takes a one turn penalty under RRS31.2 (touching a mark) shall record the penalty by filling in the appropriate declaration on the official notice board, and in so doing confirm that no significant advantage was gained in the race or series by so touching the mark.

15.2 Any boat that takes a two turn penalty under RRS 44.1 (taking a penalty) shall record the penalty by filling in the appropriate declaration on the official notice board, and in so doing confirm that no injury nor serious damage was caused and no significant advantage was gained in the race or series by the rule infringement.

16. PROTESTS AND REQUEST FOR REDRESS

16.1 Protest forms are available at the race office, located at RTYC Clubhouse. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within protest time.

16.2 Protest time starts when IC Flag B is displayed on the RTYC flagpole at the inshore end of Haldon Pier and ends when IC Flag B is lowered.

16.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located at the RTYC clubhouse.

16.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1 (b).

16.5 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered.

(a) Within the protest time if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day.

(b) No later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes rule 66.

16.6 Breaches of instructions 3, 5, 18, 21, 22, 23 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.

16.7 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress from a protest committee

decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

17. SCORING

17.1 Four races are required to constitute a series.

17.2 (a) When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b) When from 4 to 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

(c) When 7 or more races have been completes, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

17.3 To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a boat may complete a scoring enquiry form available at the race office.

17.4 The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under instruction 16.6 will be DPI.

18. SAFETY REGULATIONS

18.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee, safety boat or Beach Master as soon as possible.

18.2 Personal buoyancy must be worn at all times while afloat. Inflatable buoyancy vests are not permitted. Flag Y will not be displayed. This changes rule 40.

18.3 Competitors are responsible for ensuring that their boat and crew are prepared for the conditions that they may face whilst afloat and that they comply with the class rules.

18.4 A Tally on/off system will be in operation – competitors shall take their tally before going afloat and return it to the tally board at the earlier of 15 minutes of coming ashore and the protest time limit. Failure to comply with this requirement will result in a penalty.

19. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

19.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.

19.2 Substitution of damaged or lost major items of equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity. For the purpose of the event 'major equipment' consists of Mast, top mast, boom, dagger board, rudder - tiller and stock and sails.

20. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

21. SUPPORT BOATS

Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay more than 100 metres outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment, unless attending a boat in distress requiring assistance, or as directed by the race committee.

22. TRASH DISPOSAL

Boats shall not put trash in the water. Trash may be placed aboard support and race committee boats.

23. BERTHING

Boats shall remain in their assigned space.

24. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction includes mobile telephones.

25. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded as follows:

1st - 5th overall

Additional prizes may be awarded.

26. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

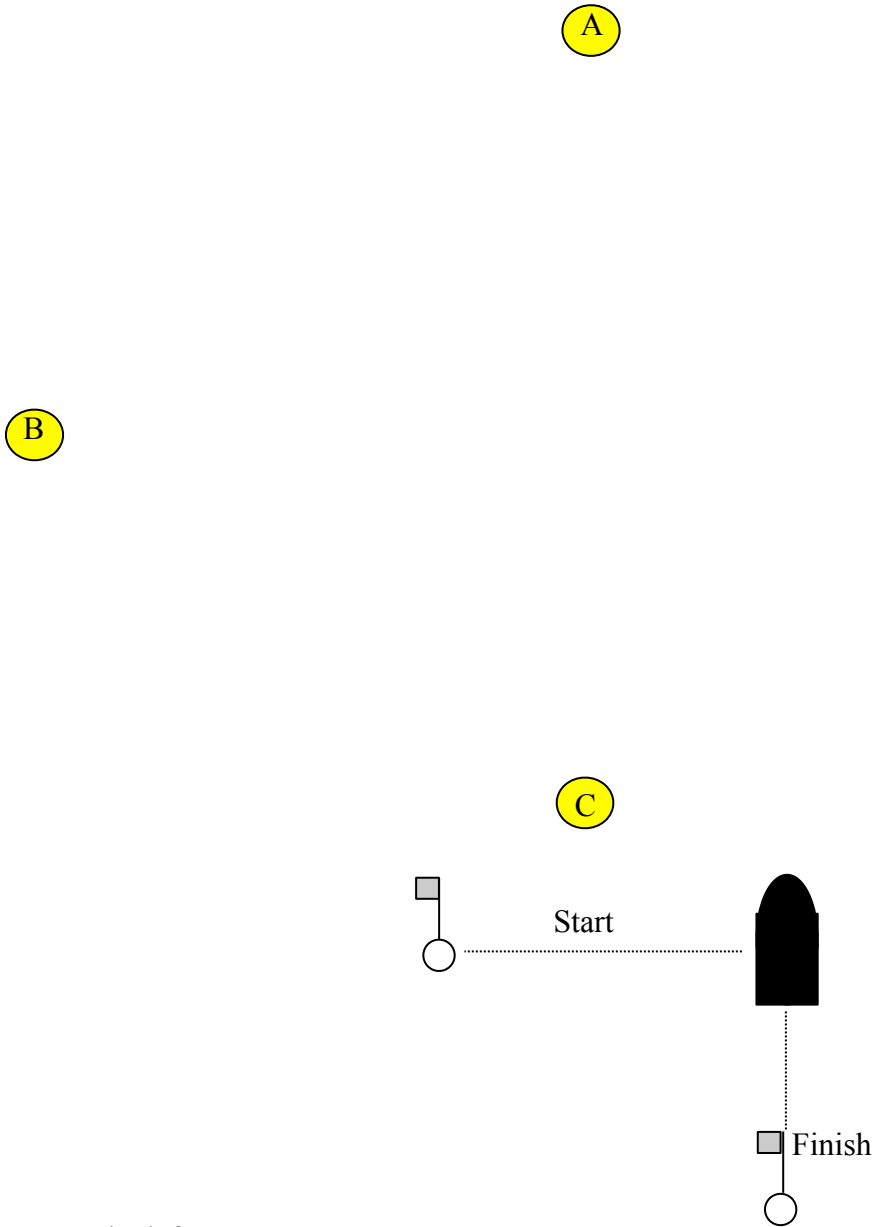
Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

27. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2million per event or the equivalent.

Appendix A

Courses



Marks are to be left to PORT

Course Number	Course
1	Start, A, B, C, Finish
2	Start, A, B, C, A, C, Finish
3	Start, A, B, C, A, C, A, B, C, Finish
4	Start, A, B, C, A, C, A, B, C, A, C, Finish