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**29er /49er/B14**  
**to be held at Thorpe Bay Yacht Club**  
**15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> Sep 2012**

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**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS TBYC 9er Open Incorporating the 49er Eastern Championships**

**1 RULES**

- 1 The regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing, 2008-2012 the prescriptions of the RYA, the rules of the **29er,49er and B14** Class Associations and these Sailing Instructions, where conflict occurs these Sailing Instructions shall take precedence.
- 1 **29er,49er,B14** Class Rules - Appendix 2 is amended to add clause 1.3 - Appendix 2 shall not provide grounds for a competitor to seek redress

**2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located in the Clubhouse of Thorpe bay yacht Club

**3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

**4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 4 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the club house flag pole at TBYC

- 4 Flag D with a sound signal means 'The warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after flag D is displayed. [Boats are requested not to leave the harbour until this signal is made.]'

- 4 Buoyancy shall be worn at all times whilst afloat without displaying flag Y. This changes rule 40.

**5 SCHEDULE OF RACES**

- 5 The numbers of races scheduled is as follows:

<i>Class</i>	<i>Number of Races per day</i>
<i>29er</i>	<i>3</i>
<i>49er</i>	<i>3</i>
<i>B14</i>	<i>3</i>

One extra race per day may be sailed, provided that no class becomes more than one race

ahead of schedule

5 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race is 10.55 and 10.55 on Sunday

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5 When more than one race (or sequence of races, for two or more classes) will be held on the same day, the warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable. To alert boats that another race or sequence of races will begin soon, the postponement signal will be displayed for at least 1 minutes before a warning signal is displayed.

5 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 1500

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## 6 CLASS FLAGS

Class flags will be:

<i>Class</i>	<i>Flag</i>
29er	29er class flag
49er	49er class flag
B14	B14 class flag

## 7 RACING AREAS

To the South of the Club House.

## 8 THE COURSES

8 The diagrams in Attachment A show the courses, including 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.

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8 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat may display the approximate compass bearing from The committee Boat to Mark 1.

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## 8 SHORTEN COURSE

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The race committee may shorten Course by displaying flag S and two signals;

- From the committee boat-** boats are to sail through their leeward gate and cross their correct finish line normally.
- From an official RIB-** boats are to finish between the RIB and the adjacent turning mark or, in the case of the turning mark being a gate, between the gate marks

## 9 MARKS

9 Marks, All Marks will be orange or yellow inflatables

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## **10 THE START**

**10.1** Races will be started by using rule 26, System 3, with the warning signal given 5 minutes before the starting signal.

**10.2\*** The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the committee boat at the starboard end and the port-end starting mark.

**10.3** Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.

**10.4** A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes rule A4.1.

## **11 CHANGE OF THE POSITION OF THE NEXT MARK**

**11.1** To change the position of the next mark, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position. The change may be signalled before the leading boat has begun the leg, although the mark may not yet be in the new position. Any mark to be rounded after rounding the moved mark may be relocated without further signalling to maintain the course configuration.

## **12 THE FINISH**

**12.1\*** The finishing line will be between the mast of the committee boat flying an orange flag and inflatable bouy which may be a pencil mark

## **13 PENALTY SYSTEM**

RRS 44.1 and 44.2 is changed so that a 720° turn is replaced by a 360° turn

## **14 TIME LIMITS**

**14.1\*** The time limits and target times for the first boat are as follows:

Mark 1 time limit – 15 minutes

Race target time – 40 minutes

Race time limit – 50 minutes

If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit, the race will be abandoned.

Failure to meet the race target time will not be grounds for redress; this changes RRS 62.1(a)

**14.2** Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes rules 35 and A4.1.

## **15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

**15.1** Protest forms are available at the bar. Protests shall be delivered to a member of the race committee within the protest time limit.

**15.2** For each class, the protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day. [The same protest time limit applies to all protests by the race committee and [protest committee] [jury] and to requests for redress. This changes rules 61.3 and 62.2

**15.3** Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform

competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the TBYC

## **16 SCORING**

**16.1\*** The [Low Point] scoring system of Appendix A will apply. 6 races are scheduled of which 3 shall be completed to constitute a valid series. If 4 or more races are completed, there will be one discard

## **17 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

**17.1** A signing on sheet will be in the bosuns hut each day and competitors must sign on and off for each race completed. Failure to sign in and out may incur a donation of £10 to the RNLI

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

**17.3** Buoyancy shall be worn at all times whilst afloat without displaying flag Y. This changes rule 40.

## **18 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

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

## **19 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 measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

## **21 SUPPORT BOATS**

Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

## **24 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

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

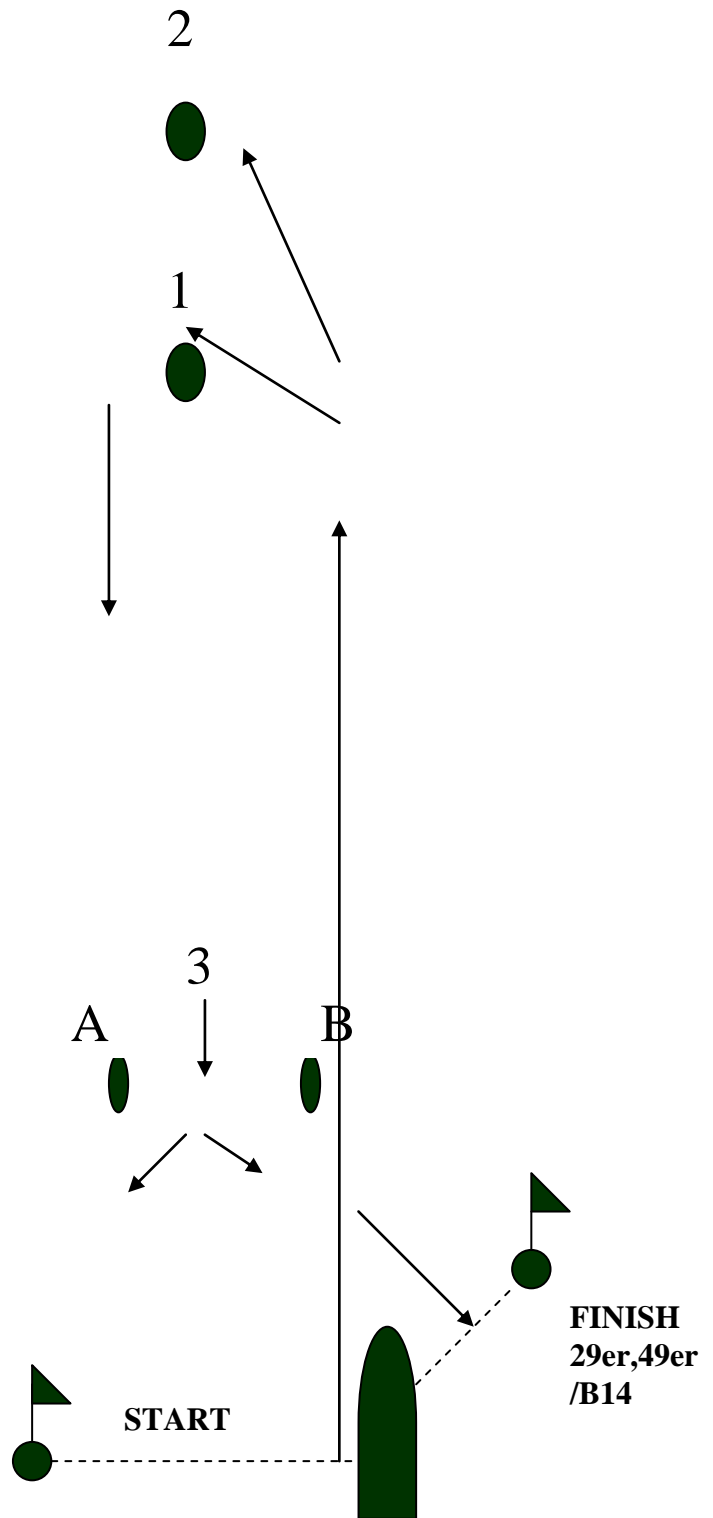
## **25 PRIZES**

Prizes will be given at the Race Committees discretion.

## **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.

**ATTACHMENT A**  
**COURSE CONFIGURATION**



**START ORDER**  
**29er 49er B14 MPS**

**COURSE 29er START, 1-P, 3A-S OR 3B-P, 1-P, 3A-S OR 3B-P, 1-P, 3B-P FINISH.**

**COURSE B14, 49er START, 2-P, 3A-S OR 3B-P, 2-P, 3A-S OR 3B-P, 2-P, 3B-P FINISH.**