



Restart Sailing

REMOTE RACING SAFETY PROCEDURES (RRSP)

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Please note: this document may be updated at any time by the Organising Authority

1. Introduction

- 1.1. The contents of this document are *Rules* as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2. Competitors are reminded that the Race Committee reserve the right to protest any boat for breach of any of the Rules defined within this document. Breaches which the Race Committee feel threaten the safety of other competitors may also be viewed as misconduct.
- 1.3. This document should be read in conjunction with the NoR – particularly the Risk Statement.
- 1.4. Competitors are reminded of RRS 3 – “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone”. Nothing within this document lessens that responsibility.

2. COVID-19

- 2.1. Competitors are reminded that they are required to follow all COVID-19 rules and guidelines from their Government, any local Government, their Member National Authority and their home club.
- 2.2. In particular, competitors may not compete, and must remain at home, if they are displaying any symptoms of the disease, have tested positive for the disease, or have been in recent contact with anyone with the disease.
- 2.3. Competitors must maintain an adequate social distance from anyone outside of their ‘bubble’, except in an emergency situation.
- 2.4. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, the Organising Authority will not be providing any Official Vessels or on-the-water Officials. Individual clubs may provide Support Vessels for safety purposes but these shall operate in compliance with their own club’s Operating Procedures and are not affiliated to the Organising Authority.
- 2.5. Competitors should complete a dynamic risk assessment before launching and once afloat. At any time, if they feel that the conditions are outside of what they or their boat are capable of safely sailing in, they should retire.
- 2.6. In particular, competitors should consider:
 - 2.6.1. Wind speed
 - 2.6.2. Wind direction
 - 2.6.3. Current / tidal flow
 - 2.6.4. Sea state / wave height
 - 2.6.5. Visibility
 - 2.6.6. Air temperature
 - 2.6.7. Sea temperature
 - 2.6.8. Predicted weather
 - 2.6.9. Their own ability
 - 2.6.10. The ability / condition of their boat
 - 2.6.11. Local traffic / hazards
 - 2.6.12. Any other factors which may affect their safety.
- 2.7. Competitors should think conservatively when deciding whether or not to race. It is advised that competitors sail in conditions which are no more than 75% as severe as they would, in other circumstances, consider their maximum limit. This includes all of the factors mentioned in RRSP 2.6.