



Sailing Instructions

Exmoor Beastie 3-hour Pursuit

3rd April 2022



1. Schedule of Races

- 1.1. Registration from 09.00 Sunday 3 April.
- 1.2. Briefing will be held at 11.00.
- 1.3. A single 3-hours (max) pursuit race is scheduled.
- 1.4. To alert boats that the race will begin soon, an orange flag will be displayed with one sound at least at five minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 1.5. The 5-minute warning signal for start 0 will not be before 11.55.
- 1.6. A table of start times calculated using the Great Lakes handicap system will be published in Appendix A after the Great Lakes handicaps are updated in March. Full list available at registration.

2. Sailing Instructions

- 2.1. Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board, no later than 1 hour before the warning signal.

2. Signals Made Ashore

- 2.1. Signals made ashore, including the flags and course to be sailed, will be displayed from the Race Hut.

3. Course

- 3.1. The course will be set using marks described under the "Description of Mark" section depending on the wind direction.
- 3.2. No later than the warning signal, the race committee will display the course.
- 3.3. The ODM will be included as the last mark on the course. This will make it easier for the Race Officer to keep a check on the order. You are required to pass it on the side indicated on each lap. An example course is shown below to illustrate the format you will see:



4. Description of marks

- 4.1. The marks are inflated round black or yellow buoys. The black marks have white numbers from 1 to 10 and the yellow marks are marked with the letters X, Y or Z. See below image showing a black mark.

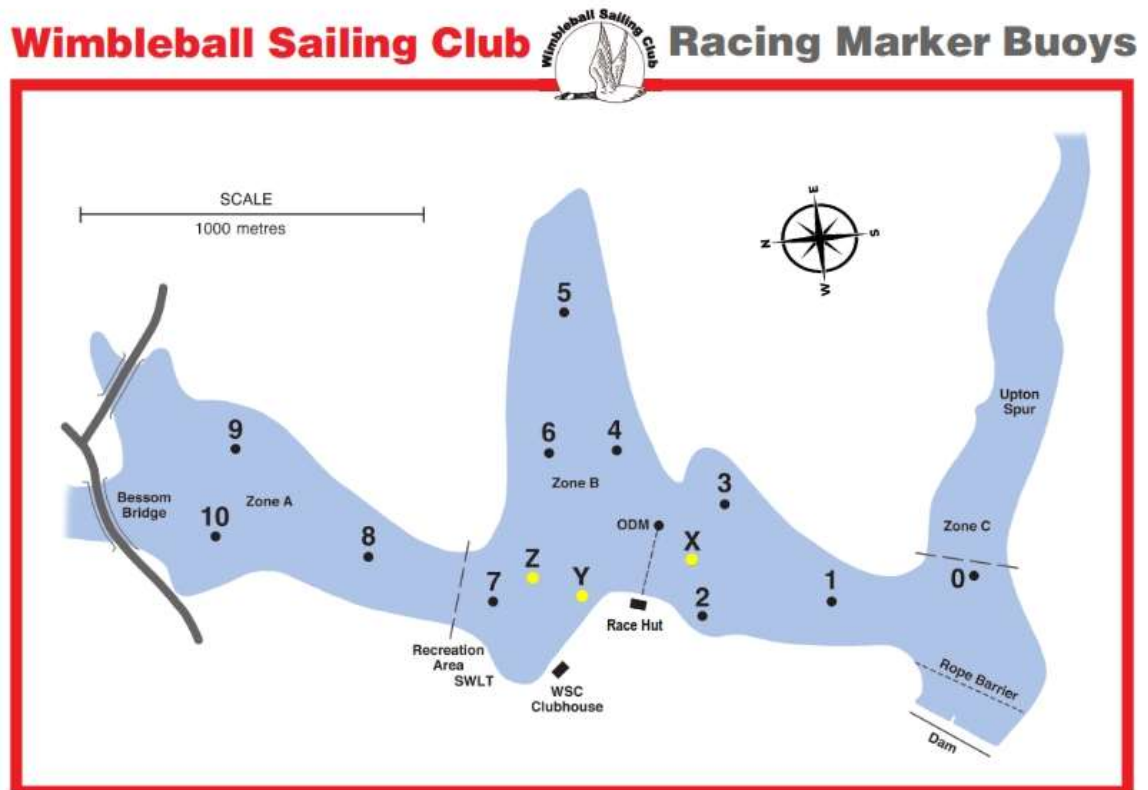


- 4.2. Marks X, Y and Z are moveable to suit conditions, generally from east to west.

5. Racing Area and Position of Marks

- 5.1. The racing area and position of marks is shown below. Note the orientation is **NOT** to north. The compass in the image shows the orientation. A larger version of this chart will be displayed at the clubhouse.
- 5.2. Zone C is out of bounds.
- 5.3. Do not approach the rope barrier by the dam. Mark 1 is usually the furthest southerly mark used.

- 5.4. Several day boats, moorings and other vessels may be present near the launch area in front of the WSC Clubhouse. Please take care while launching and recovering.



6. Obstructions

- 6.1. Dayboats moored in the launching area are considered obstructions, but not moorings that are unused. It is unlikely the course will take you near this area.
6.2. The shoreline is a continuing obstruction.

7. Starting Races

- 7.1. The signals defined in RRS 26 will be used to start races.
7.2. The class flag shall be flag H.
7.3. As the class flag is removed boats with a starting number of 0 will start.
7.4. Faster boats will start afterwards according to the list of starting numbers.
7.5. One minute before remaining starts, each starting number will be displayed on the fence at the race hut. As the number is removed boats with that starting number can start. For, example starting number 1 will be displayed on the 0 of the 5-4-1-0 countdown. It will be removed after one minute. This indicates start number 1. Process repeats for all starts.

Minutes before starting signal	Visual signal	Sound signal	Meaning
10	Orange flag displayed	One	5-minute notice of Warning signal
5	Class flag	One	Warning signal
4	P	One	Preparatory signal
1	Preparatory flag removed	One long	One minute
0	Class flag removed	One	Starting signal, 0
	Start 1 No. Displayed		1-minute until start 1


Minutes after starting signal		
1	Start No. 1 Down	Start 1
	Start No. 2 Displayed	1-minute until start 2
2	Start No. 2 Down	Start 2
	Start No. 3 Displayed	1 minute until start 3
	Etc	Etc

7.6. In the event of an Individual Recall, flag X will be displayed for no longer than one minute. This changes RRS 29.1.

7.7. A general recall will not be signalled. This changes RRS 29.2.

7.8. Have RRS 23.1 in mind. While waiting for your start please do not interfere with a boat that is racing.

8. Starting Line

8.1. The start line is a line between a vertical flagpole outside of the Race Hut flying the ensign (per image ) and the ODM (start mark). The ODM for a Race Hut start is a yellow buoy marked ODM.

8.2. You can see the approximate location of the Race Hut on the chart showing the racing area.

9. The Finish

9.1. After 3-hours from start 0 there will be a long sound signal. Boats shall continue to sail the course, and endeavour not to overtake, until they pass a Race Committee boat. Boats shall be awarded a finishing position based on their position on the course at the time of the finish.

10. Time Limit

10.1. The race shall last 3-hours after start 0.

11. Arbitration and Post Race Penalties

11.1. Appendix T Arbitration Applies as an alternative to full protest.

11.2. It is not necessary to fly a yellow flag to take a scoring penalty. Inform the Race Officer after finishing the race. This changes RRS 44.3(a).

12. Protest Time Limit

12.1. The limit to make a protest is 45 minutes after the last boat finishes. This changes RRS 61.3.

Appendix A - Selected start times

Pending update of Great Lakes yardsticks.