

Marconi Cup

Sailing instructions

General SI's - Applicable to Team Racing and Relay Race

1 Rules

- 1.1 Racing will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing including Appendix D in the case of the Team Racing format.
- 1.2 The right of appeal is denied in accordance with rule 70.5 (a)
- 1.3 When boats are provided by the organising authority they shall be deemed to conform to their class rules. When class rules change rule 42, such changes shall not apply.
- 1.4 All competitors shall wear a flotation device while sailing and when on pontoons or ribs waiting to compete.

2 Eligibility

- 2.1 To be eligible a team shall register as required by the notice of race.
- 2.2 After registration, no team member may be changed without the prior permission of the race committee which shall only be given in exceptional circumstances.
- 2.3 No competitor in the team racing can compete in the relay race or vice versa without the permission of the race committee which shall only be given in exceptional circumstances. No competitor shall helm in both team race and relay race.
- 2.4 All competitors shall be 18 years or younger on 31st August 2019.
- 2.5 All competitors shall be or have been instructors, helpers or participants in the clubs summer sailing course in the year of the event.

3 Registration and briefing

- 3.1 Registration will take place at 8.30 am at the clubhouse.
- 3.2 There will be a briefing at 9 am at the clubhouse
- 3.3 The racing will commence at 10 am

4 Notice to competitors

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the clubhouse used for the event.

5 Changes to Sailing Instructions

Changes to these SI's will be signalled by flying flag L from the club flag pole. Such changes will be posted on the official notice board not less than **20 minutes** before the warning signal of the 1st affected race. Oral instructions may be given on the water by the Race Committee and/or the umpires prior to the warning signal.

6 Boats supplied by the organising authority

- 6.1 For each race the race committee will allocate boats to the participating teams
- 6.2 Standing rigging shall not be altered nor any gear removed without the permission of the Race Committee
- 6.3 The race committee will attempt in so far as is possible to ensure that the fleets of boats are evenly matched. In the knockout rounds the teams shall swap boats between the 1st and 2nd race.

7 Disclaimer of Liability

- 7.1 It is the sole responsibility of the person in charge of each team to decide if that team should race in the prevailing conditions or not. It is the sole responsibility of the person in charge of each boat to decide if that boat should race or continue to race.
- 7.2 Competitors compete in the event entirely at their own risk – see Rule 4, Decision to Race. The Organising 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 event. The Organising Authority encompasses everyone helping to run the event.

8 Code of Conduct

- 8.1 Competitors shall comply with any request from any official and shall not behave so as to bring the event into disrepute
- 8.2 Competitors shall handle the boats and equipment with proper care and seamanship
- 8.3 If any team member or supporter abuses any official, umpire or race officer, before after or during the event this may lead to disqualification of the team without appeal.
- 8.4 The penalty for breaking SI 8.1,8.2 and 8.3 is at the discretion of the race committee and may include exclusion from further participation in the event either of the individual or the team. The decision of the race committee in this regard is final and not subject to appeal.

9 Scoring

- 9.1 The Marconi Cup will be awarded to the overall winning team as determined by the total of the results of the relay race and the team racing event.
- 9.2 Equal value or merit will be assigned to the result of the relay race and the team race. Points accrued by each team in the on the basis of their place in each event i.e. 1 for 1st place 2 for 2nd etc.. The team with the lowest overall points total will be deemed the Marconi Cup winners.
- 9.3 In the event of a tie between two teams, the team with the best place in either event will rank higher. (1 +3 will rank higher than 2 + 2)
- 9.4 If the tie cannot be broken by 9.3 above the team that won the team race match between those teams will rank higher.
- 9.5 If the teams have equal wins over each other then the result in the knockout phase match between the teams will determine which team is higher ranked.

10 Prizes

- 10.1 The Marconi Cup will be awarded to the overall winning team as defined in S.I. 9
- 10.2 A prize will be awarded to the winning team in the Relay Event
- 10.3 A prize will be awarded to the winning team in the Team Racing Event
- 10.4 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organising committee.