

Notice of Race
Southampton University Sailing Club
Wessex Winter Series

1. Southampton University Sailing Club will be the Organising Authority for racing from Southampton Sailing Club (SSC) during the season.
2. A racing programme will be published on the website, however this may be subject to change based on conditions and factors outside of our control. Where dates are cancelled due to adverse weather we will endeavour to make up the races later in the season, however this may not always be possible
3. Events are governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing.
4. As with all open sailing sessions, suitable clothing must be worn at all times including closed toe footwear and a buoyancy aid.
5. Racing is open to all club members. Handicaps will be used. Portsmouth Yardsticks handicaps will be used, as detailed on the Wessex Winter Series website page.
6. The racing programme identifies the start time for each race. Sailors intending to participate in a race shall complete the signing on sheet and attend the race briefing at the start of each session.
7. The club Standard Sailing Instructions change (or adopt) the following rules of the RRS:
 - a. Rule 40.1 applies at all times whilst afloat.
 - b. Rule 26 to use an alternative starting procedure. This will be explained in the race briefing at the start of each race, but will be predominantly whistle based and as simple as possible
 - c. Rule 44 only one-turn penalty turns will be used
8. Full club members do not need to enter for a race or series in advance, but shall sign on before participating in each race. The signing on sheet will contain specific statements that sailors:
 - a. agree to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and club sailing rules
9. Courses for racing will be using a mixture of fixed marks and moveable marks. The location, description and layout of these marks will be explained in the race briefing.
10. Scoring will be in accordance with RRS Appendix A. Sailors allocated to club duties during a series may claim average points for the race(s) they are unable to participate in. Average points will be calculated at the end of the series on the basis of all races in the series that the sailor sailed in, irrespective of whether or not these races are subsequently discarded.