Members guidance via WEB on changes to EDYC competitive sailing 2018.

If you reach this you have probably learnt the negative flag and the diver down flag - plus Racing cancelled signal - but re our Sis -

Firstly and in the main the 2018 sailing committee have not intended to change any of our racing details in any major way and it can be assumed that we will precede as normal - in most terms. However as always you are recommended to stay up to date and to read the NoR and SIs etc as part of your preparations to race in club events at EDYC.

Notice of Race (NoR) and Sailing Instructions (Sis) have moved forwards following a standardization introduced by the 2017-2020 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS). Their content is set out in appendices K and L. The club is adopting these, since it would have to have a significant and substantial reason not to adopt. By using standard contents and layouts, sailors and helms will become more easily familiar with the layout and content and will find the pattern assistive as they enter outside events which will also follow the pattern.

There is no great revolution planned for our club races, however some points are being improved and updated. We shall race in the main - the same way as we always have. An example of a small change would be the rule on Radio Communication - we are making race management and safety communication able to avail of radio communication. Some flags are changes to tie more closely to their standard meanings.

For those who need deeper background

Guidance taken from

http://www.sailing.org/tools/documents/WorldSailingRRS20172020-[20946].pdf

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APPENDIX J NOTICE OF RACE AND SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Also http://www.sailing.org/raceofficials/eventorganizers/nor.php

and

http://www.rya.org.uk/SiteCollectionDocuments/Racing/RacingInformation/RacingRules/RYA%20Guidance%20%20Club%20Notice%20of%20Race.pdf

In addition the new format, where we produce a NoR and SIs is going to suit the 2018 Handbook - which we believe is to be a folder format - with each document inserted to make the complete handbook - in addition as always copies will be downloads from our WEB site.

Thus the move to more up to date 2018 papers will produce titles such as:-



Club Series Races 2018 season Notice of Race



Club Series Races 2018 season Sailing Instructions

Please note like many documents, corrections and improvements are always being suggested and implemented so it is important to get the most recent version. We expect changes to be complete at least one week (8 days) before the first race. SI no 3 applies.

Within SI 1.3 you may wish to know, these are the few international rules we change locally.

25 - Sound

26 - Start

29.2 General Recall

40 Personal Floatation Devices

61.3 Protest Time Limit

62.2 Redress

63.1 Requirement for a hearing

A4 - Scoring - Low Points System

Race Signals

Sailing Committee are always available to answer any questions or to receive suggestions for improvements and the Rules permit more formal approaches if this becomes important.

The 2018 Sailing Committee have endorsed the RYA Racing Charter and ask all members to read the charter and to work to its objectives.

We also ask that all competitors endorse the objectives by acknowledging the -

Recommended wording in an Entry Form to enable competitors to declare their acceptance of the RYA Racing Charter:

'I undertake to sail in compliance with the RYA Racing Charter.'

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Jottings of interest - not yet incorporated fully in SIs

Jot 1

The C Flag - standard International Meaning - The position of the next mark has changed:

EDYC local meaning - The position of the next mark may have changed as you are being sent on a shorter course as per the course table.

Remember flag C course change

Jot 2

The NHC handicap system will establish the handicap for Cruiser I and Cruiser II in the 2018 series by a method currently under discussion.

Jot 3

Insurance - Club rule 42 - requires £1,000,000 of insurance, the sailing committee 2018 wish this to be increased to £3,000,000 - this requires the members to agree (at a meeting) to it happening.