

Sailing Chandlery D-Zero National Championships 2023

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

23rd – 25th June 2023

1. RULES

- 1.1 The Sailing Chandlery D-Zero National Championships will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021 - 2024, these Sailing Instructions with any amendments and the appropriate Class Rules.
- 1.2 Prescriptions of the RYA and the rules of Llandudno sailing Club shall also apply.

2. CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

- 2.1 The safety of a craft and its entire management including insurance shall be the sole and inescapable responsibility of the owner/competitor racing the craft. The establishment of these sailing instructions in no way limits or reduces the complete and unlimited responsibility of the owner/competitor.
- 2.2 Insurance. Each participating boat shall be insured with a valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 per event or the equivalent.
- 2.3 Competitors give absolute right and permission for video footage or photographs of themselves or their boat to be published in any media for press, editorial or advertising purposes.

3. SAFETY

- 3.1 Personal Buoyancy. Buoyancy aids or lifejackets, inflated if of that type, must be worn at all times afloat.
- 3.2 Rescue. Any sailor requiring help or assistance from the escort coxswain must obey the instructions of the coxswain. The coxswain is authorised to compel sailors to retire and board the escort boat if he/she considers conditions warrant it.
- 3.3 Declarations. The declaration sheet must be signed by the helmsman within 60 minutes of the last craft finishing in each race or back to back series of races.

4. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 4.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the clubhouse.

5. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted at least 60 mins before advertised start time on the day it will take effect, except any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 19:00 hours on the day before it will take effect.

6. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 6.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flag mast adjacent to the club house.
- 6.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced by "not less than 60 minutes" in race signal AP.

7. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 7.1 Dates of racing, number of races, and time of the warning signal for the first race are:

<i>Date</i>	<i>Warning Signal</i>	<i>No. of races</i>	<i>Schedule</i>
Friday 23 rd June	TBC – Not before 1300 hours	Up to 4 races (Planned 3)	All races back-to-back

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Saturday TBC – Not before Up to 4 races (Planned 3) All races back-to-back
24th June 1000 hours

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Sunday TBC – Not before Up to 4 races (Planned 2) All races back to back
25th June 1000 hours

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It is expected to hold up to 8 races in total, based on 3 per day for Friday and Saturday and 2 on Sunday, though have allowed a variance in the Schedule above to allow for varied conditions. When more than one race or sequence of races will be held on the same day, the warning signal for the first race and each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable. On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 14:30 hrs.

8. CLASS FLAG

The D-Zero class flag will be used as the warning signal.

9. RACING AREA

Racing to be held in Llandudno Bay, specific area to be decided on day and explained in Competitors briefing.

10. THE COURSES

10.1 The Course selected for each race will be stated on the course board either on the club house front or the committee boat. The number of laps will also be indicated. The courses will be trapezoid or triangular.

10.2 The position of the marks is displayed on the course board outside the club house.

10.3 There must be at least 5 knots of wind at each and every race mark around the course prior to the commencement of the start sequence ie the 5 minute signal for each race, or the postponement Flag AP will be flown from the Committee boat

11. STARTING

11.1 Races will be started using rule 26. Code flag P or black flag may be used for the preparatory signal.

11.2 The starting line will be one specially laid buoy OR a mark of the course and the mast of the Committee boat.

11.3 Individual Recalls. Individual recalls will be in accordance with RRS 29.1 using Code Flag X. Attention will be drawn by one sound signal. Recall numbers will not be given. Craft which fail to return clear of the line will be disqualified without protest by the OD and the Race Sheet marked accordingly.

11.4 General Recalls. General Recalls will be in accordance with RRS 29.2 using "First Substitute". Attention will be drawn by two sound signals. As soon as possible after the original starting times, fresh warning, preparatory and starting signals will be made.

12. THE FINISH

12.1 The finishing line will be one specially laid buoy OR a mark of the course and the mast of the Committee boat.

12.2 Time Limits. The time limit for every race shall be 75 minutes. Any boat which has not crossed the finishing line within 15 minutes of the leading boat will be scored Did Not Finish.

12.3 Shortening course. The Shortening Course procedure will be in accordance with RRS 32. International Code Flag S will be hoisted and two sound signals made. The race will then finish at the end of the lap still to be completed by the leading boat. Code Flag S hoisted at or near a rounding mark means "Finish between the nearby mark and the Committee Boat".

13. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

13.1 Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

13.2 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the race or series of races if sailed back to back.

13.3 Interested parties will be notified of the time and place of Protest Hearings.

14. SCORING

14.1 The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply.

- 14.2 Two Races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 14.3 If less than/equal to 4 races no discard; 5 to 7 races 1 discard; and 8 races 2 discards.
- 15. EQUIPMENT & MEASUREMENT CHECKS**
- 15.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the D-Zero Class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.
- 16. TRASH DISPOSAL**
- 16.1 Boats shall not put trash of any kind into the water. Trash may be placed aboard support and race committee boats.
- 17. PRIZEGIVING**
- 17.1 Prizegiving will be held as shortly as possible after all boats are ashore/protests (if any) resolved on Sunday 25th June 2023



COURSE CONFIGURATION

