



29er Class Association Allen Grand Prix – Event One

19th & 20th September 2020

Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy

Supplementary Sailing Instructions

The Organising Authority is the Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy (WPNSA) in conjunction with the UK 29er Class Association

These instructions should be read in conjunction with the UK 29er Class Association Major Event Instructions 2020/2021 – Version 1 and the UK 29er Allen Grand Prix Notice of Series 2020/21 Version 2

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board at <https://www.wpnsa.org.uk/events/uk-29er-grand-prix-series-20202021-event-1>.
- 2.2 The Race Office may be contacted by emailing race.office@wpnsa.org.uk.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the main WPNSA flag poles.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, “1 minute” is replaced with not less than 30 minutes” when racing in Portland Harbour or “not less than 60 minutes” when racing in Weymouth Bay in the race signal AP.
- 4.3 Flag D with one sound means ‘The warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes’ after flag D is displayed if racing is in Portland Harbour or ‘The warning signal will be made not less than 60 minutes’ after flag D is displayed if racing is in Weymouth Bay. Boats shall not leave the slipway until this signal is made. [DP].
- 4.5 Flag P will be displayed if sailing is in Portland Harbour and flag W if in Weymouth Bay.

5. FORMAT OF RACING

- 5.1 Racing will take place in 2 flights with a qualifying series and a finals series as described in MEI 16.6.
- 5.2 The Race Committee may choose to use different upper and lower wind strength guidelines to those set out in the UK 29er Class Race Management Guidelines.
- 5.3 When the fleet is split into Gold and Silver for the Finals series, the highest placed 40 boats in the Gold fleet, the remaining boats will be in Silver fleet.

6. SCHEDULE

- 6.1 Any boats not attending must inform membership@29ersailing.org.uk by 0930 on 7 September.

Day	Date	Time	Event
Saturday	7 th Sep	11:55	First warning signal
Sunday	8 th Sep	10:25	First warning signal

8. RACE AREA

- 8.1 The race area will either be in Portland Harbour or Weymouth Bay.

10. MARKS

- 10.1 Marks 1, 2S & 2P will be 1.6m blue cylindrical blue buoys with black bands.
- 10.2 When the next leg of the course is changed and signalled as described in RRS 33, the race committee will lay a new mark, which will be 1.5m orange dumpy buoy and remove the original mark as soon as possible. Minor mark moves which are not signaled as described in MEI 10.2 will move the original mark.
- 10.3 The starting mark will be a committee vessel displaying an orange flag or a dan buoy displaying an orange flag.
- 10.4 The finishing mark will be a dan buoy displaying a blue flag.

15. PROTESTS, EXONERATION PENALTIES, ADVISORY HEARINGS AND DECLARATIONS

- 15.1 Protest forms are online at <https://www.wpnas.org.uk/protest-form>. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit using the online form available.

16. SCORING SYSTEM

- 16.1 A competitor may submit a request to review a boat's score online at <https://www.wpnas.org.uk/request-for-a-review-of-a-boats-score>.

18. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 18.1 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made online at the links below to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity and approval shall not be confirmed until such request is agreed by the race committee and posted on the official notice board. Where a boat is found in breach of this rule the race committee will impose any penalty it sees fit which may include the boat being scored DNF for all previous races.
- <https://www.wpnas.org.uk/request-for-a-change-of-equipment>
- <https://www.wpnas.org.uk/request-for-a-change-of-crew>

20. TALLIES

- 20.1 A tally system will be used.
- 20.2 The tally control point will be by the marquee. Tally bands will not be issued. Instead each sailor will receive their tally number by email prior to the event. Sailors shall go to the tally control point and give their tally number verbally to tally-out. Sailors shall tally-in as soon as ashore by giving their tally number to the tally control point.
- 20.3 A boat that retires from a race shall notify an official boat as soon as possible. A declaration form is available online <https://www.wpnas.org.uk/retirement-declaration> which must be completed by competitors when ashore.

22. OFFICIAL AND SUPPORT BOATS

- 22.1 There will be no support boats at this event, only official.
- 22.2 Personal equipment such as food bags, drinks, spare parts and extra clothing will not be stored on any official boat for the duration of the event. Competitors should ensure that they carry sufficient food and water on their own boat.

23. RUBBISH

- 23.1 Rubbish is not to be thrown in the sea. Due to COVID-19, sailors are to bring any rubbish ashore and place it in an appropriate bin. Rubbish may not be placed aboard support and race committee boats.

24. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 24.1 Competitors should note that it is anticipated that all communication for this event will be online and that the WPNSA WIFI system may not be accessible. Competitors' are advised that they may wish to have a device which can connect to the internet via an alternative means.

26. RISK STATEMENT

- 26.1 It is competitors' responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any competitors briefing held at the venue.

29. AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

- 29.1 Boats shall keep clear of vessels at anchor or vessels displaying Flag A, indicating divers in the water.
- 29.2 Any directions given by Portland Harbour Authority either in person or via an official boat must be complied with without delay.
- 29.3 Only the Northern entrance should be used in leaving or returning to Portland Inner Harbour, unless directed otherwise by an Official or Portland Harbour Authority Boat.
- 29.4 Boats shall not transit at any time through the RNSA moorings, which are to the left of the Marina exit as leaving the Marina.

30. COVID STATEMENT

By taking part in any of the events covered by these supplementary sailing instructions, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that they are responsible for complying with any regulations in force from time to time in respect of COVID-19 and for complying with the Organising Authority COVID-19 procedures. Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Failure to comply may be misconduct. Reasonable actions by event officials to implement COVID-19 guidance, protocols or legislation, even if they later prove to have been unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions.

31. PRIVACY STATEMENT

The personal information you provide to the Organising Authority will be used to facilitate your participation in the event. If you have agreed to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and the other rules that govern the event (the rules), the legal basis for processing that personal information is contract. If you are not bound by the rules, the legal basis for processing that personal information is legitimate interest. Your personal information will be stored and used in accordance with the Organising Authority's privacy policy. When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with the RYA and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.

END OF SUPPLEMENTARY SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

FURTHER INFORMATION:

There may be significant changes in Government and/or local Government COVID-19 guidance, regulation and operating procedures between the issue date of this document and the event date, we will endeavour to keep competitors informed. We would, however, ask that all competitors and volunteers take action to keep themselves informed of any changes in guidance.

Part of our operational plan is shown below

- a) We will, as an Organising Authority, take a considerate and conservative approach to the racing and the wind strength, sea state and the ability of competitors. This may mean postponements to starts. This is to ensure that we minimise as much as we can the impact on the local community. We will however endeavour to meet the programme as laid out in the Notice of Series, Major Event Instructions and these Supplementary Sailing Instructions.
- b) We have to maintain control of launching/recovery and the dinghy park. There may be special requirements for launching, recovery and the hygiene of boats and equipment, it is the responsibility of every competitor to make themselves aware of those regulations and to follow them.
- c) Competitors and other persons attending in connection with the event should be prepared to provide their own PPE, should Government guidelines change. This may include amongst other items, hand sanitiser and face masks. Please make yourselves aware of the current regulations and guidance.
- d) Social distancing and gatherings should be in accordance with regulations and guidelines, including any mitigation.
- e) The changing facilities onsite will be closed, except for the toilets.
- f) Catering facilities are available, however, only card payments are accepted.
- g) In line with current guidelines for track and trace, **all attendees** are required to register each day that they are entering the site. There are QR codes at every entrance to enable people to do this.