



WASZP UK NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

WASZP UK CLASS ASSOCIATION

DRAYCOTE WATER SAILING CLUB

25-28 OCTOBER 2025

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The organising authority is Draycote Water Sailing Club in conjunction with the WASZP UK Class Association.

The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the sailing instructions (SIs) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1.

1 RULES

- 1.1 See Notice of Race (NoR) 1.
- 1.2 When a hearing finds that a boat has broken a rule of RRS Part 2 within 1 minute of the starting signal, or in the vicinity of the starting line, the boat shall be scored DNE for that race. This changes RRS 60.5(c).
- 1.3 When a hearing concludes that a boat is disqualified for breaking a rule and in doing so, caused damage or injury, the boat shall be scored DNE for that race. This changes RRS 60.5(c).

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the SIs will be posted no later than 90 minutes before the start of the first race on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board (ONB) located at <https://racehub.waszp.com/eventdetail/492>.
- 3.2 A WhatsApp group may be used for unofficial communication with competitors (<https://chat.whatsapp.com/LwdDSpR8M1VGU09hix6Gxe>). Competitors should refer to the ONB for all official communications.
- 3.3 The race office will be at the waterside reception.

4 [DP] CODE OF CONDUCT

- 4.1 Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials and sailing club members.
- 4.2 Boats not racing shall avoid any area where boats are racing and any official vessel.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole at the front of the clubhouse.
- 5.2 [NP][DP] Flag D with one sound means 'The warning signal will not be made less than 30 minutes after flag D is displayed, or at the scheduled time, whichever is later.' Boats shall not leave the shore until this signal is made.
- 5.3 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in RRS Race Signals AP. This changes RRS Race Signals AP.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1 The provisional schedule of races is shown in the table below.

Date	Scheduled race format	Time of first start
25 October	Windward/Leeward Racing	1200
26 October	Sprint Racing & Distance Race	1030
27 October	Windward/Leeward Racing	1100
28 October	Windward/Leeward Racing	1030

- 6.2 Any format of racing may be used on any day.
- 6.3 A maximum of 6 windward/leeward races may be sailed on one day.
- 6.4 On the last scheduled day of racing, no warning signal will be made after 1500.
- 6.5 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least two minutes before a warning signal is made.

7 FORMAT

- 7.1 See NoR 7.
- 7.2 For Sprint racing, boats will be assigned to fleets yellow and pink of as nearly as possible equal size and ability.

8 CLASS/FLEET FLAGS

Class/fleet flags will be:

Format of Racing/Fleet	Flag
Windward/Leeward, NASCAR, Distance	White flag with WASZP insignia
Sprint - Yellow Fleet	Yellow flag with WASZP insignia
Sprint - Pink Fleet	Pink flag with WASZP insignia
Green Fleet	Flag G

9 RACING AREA

The racing area is Draycote Water.

10 COURSES

- 10.1 The diagrams and tables in SI Appendix 1 show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 10.2 The geometry of the NASCAR course may be adjusted to change the length of the upwind and downwind legs. The angles between the legs will be approximately 90 degrees.
- 10.3 The course to be sailed will be displayed on a board on the committee boat prior to the warning signal.
- 10.4 The course for the distance race will be posted prior to the briefing on the day of the race.

11 MARKS

- 11.1 Rounding marks will be orange dumpy race marks.
- 11.2 The starting marks will be race committee vessels, or a race committee vessel at the starboard end of the line and an orange dan buoy at the port end.
- 11.3 The finishing marks will be:
- (a) Windward/Leeward Racing: a race committee vessel at the starboard end of the line and mark 2p at the port end.
 - (b) NASCAR Racing: race committee vessels, or a race committee vessel at the starboard end of the line and an orange dan buoy at the port end.
 - (c) Sprint Racing: a race committee vessel at the port end of the line and a dan buoy with a blue flag at the starboard end.
- 11.4 The marks for the Distance Race will be posted prior to the briefing on the day of the race.
- 11.5 The Green Fleet marks will be described at the daily Green Fleet briefing.

12 [NP][DP] OBSTRUCTIONS

- 12.1 Boats shall not sail at any time within 30 meters of the shore or in front of the club compound except in an emergency.
- 12.2 Boats shall keep clear of fishing boats whether engaged in fishing or not. This includes the area the line extends from or is being cast in.
- 12.3 Boats shall not enter the exclusion areas marked by yellow buoys.

13 THE START

- 13.1 The table in RRS 26 is changed as follows:

<i>Minutes before starting signal</i>	<i>Visual signal</i>	<i>Sound signal</i>	<i>Means</i>
3	Class/fleet flag	One	Warning signal
2	U or black flag	One	Preparatory signal
1	U or black flag removed	One long	One minute
0	Class/fleet flag removed	One	Starting signal

- 13.2 The starting line will be between the staffs displaying the orange flags on the starting marks when they are both committee vessels, or between the staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port end starting mark when an orange danbuoy is used.

- 13.3 A boat that does not start within three minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4, A5.1 and A5.2.

14 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 14.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark or the finishing line to a new position.
- 14.2 The race committee is not required to signal the change when the next leg of the course is changed by less than 10 degrees in angle or less than 100 metres in length. This changes RRS 33.

15 THE FINISH

15.1 Windward/Leeward Racing (Grand Prix Finish):

- a) Unless shortened in accordance with RRS 32.2, the finishing line will be between the staff displaying a blue flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of mark 2p.
- b) The finish flag will be a large chequered flag with the word 'finish' on it.
- c) When the leading boat is in the vicinity of mark 2p for the final time, the race committee signal vessel at the finishing line will promptly display the finish flag with one sound. The finishing window opens when the lead boat crosses the finishing line. The finish flag will be removed at the end of the finishing window or when the last boat finishes, whichever is earlier.

All boats that,

- (i) have completed a lap before the finishing window opens, but then fail to finish while it is open, or
- (ii) cross the finishing line whilst the finish flag is displayed

shall be deemed to have finished irrespective of the number of laps completed. Their score in the race will be based on the order when they either completed their last lap or finished, with those having completed more laps finishing ahead of those with fewer laps. This changes RRS 28.1, A4, A5.1 and A5.2.

- d) [NP][DP] When the finish flag is displayed, all boats on a downwind leg shall sail through the finishing line.
- e) [NP][DP] A boat that crosses the finishing line when the finish flag is displayed shall not attempt a further lap.

15.2 NASCAR and Distance Racing:

- a) The finishing line will be between the staff displaying a blue flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port end starting mark.
- b) The finish flag will be a large chequered flag with the word 'finish' on it.
- c) After the target time has elapsed, the signal vessel will display the finish flag with a sound signal (regardless of the location of the lead boat on the course).

All boats that,

- (i) have completed a lap before the finish flag is displayed, but then fail to finish while it is displayed, or
- (ii) cross the finishing line while the finish flag is displayed

shall be deemed to have finished irrespective of the number of laps completed. Their score in the race will be based on the order when they either completed their last lap or finished, with those having completed more laps finishing ahead of those with fewer laps. This changes RRS 28.1, A4, A5.1 and A5.2.

15.3 Sprint Racing:

- a) The finishing line will be between the staff displaying a blue flag on the finish vessel at the port end and the course side of the starboard end mark.

16 PENALTY SYSTEM

See NoR 13.

17 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

17.1 The Target Time, Race Time Limit (RRS 35) and the Finishing Window in minutes will be:

Format	Target Time	Race Time Limit	Finishing Window
Windward/Leeward Racing	20	40	10
NASCAR Racing	10	25	5
Sprint Racing	5-10	20	5
Distance Race	45	75	30

17.2 Failure to meet the Target Time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 61.4(b)(1).

18 HEARING REQUESTS

18.1 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat finishes the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The time will be posted on the ONB.

18.2 On the last day of racing, competitors intending to protest shall inform the race committee before going ashore.

18.3 Hearing request forms are available from the club and shall be delivered to the race office or online at: <https://draycotewater.co.uk/sailing-events/protest-form/>.

18.4 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

18.5 RRS 61.2(b)(2) and 63.7(b)(2) are changed so that 30 minutes is replaced by 15 minutes.

19 SCORING

19.1 See NoR 14.

19.2 To request a correction of an alleged error in posted results, a boat may submit a scoring inquiry form to the race committee. The forms will be available from the race office or online at <https://draycotewater.co.uk/sailing-events/results-query-form/>.

20 SAFETY REGULATIONS

[NP][DP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

21 [DP] REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

21.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed.

21.2 Substitution of equipment shall be in accordance with the class rules. When race committee approval is required, requests for substitution shall be submitted to the race office or online at <https://draycotewater.co.uk/sailing-events/results-query-form/>.

22 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

22.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the *rules*.

22.2 The penalty for an infringement of a class rule may be less than disqualification.

23 OFFICIAL VESSELS

Official vessels will be identified at the briefing.

24 SUPPORT VESSELS

See NoR 15.

25 TRASH DISPOSAL

Trash may be placed aboard official or support person vessels.

26 BERTHING

[NP][DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while in the boat park.

27 PRIZES

See NoR 21. An additional prize will be awarded for the WASZP UK Sprint Champion.

28 RISK STATEMENT

See NoR 19.

29 INSURANCE

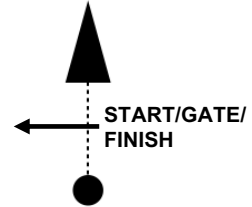
See NoR 20.

Appendix 1: Courses

NASCAR Racing

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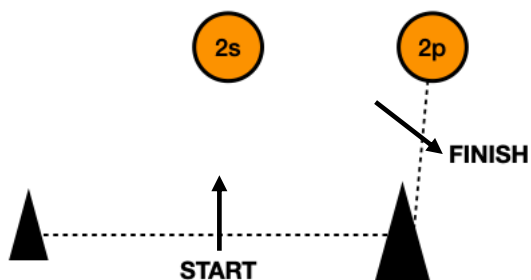
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Signal	Mark Rounding Order
NASCAR	1 LAP: Start – 1(p) – 2(p) – 3(p) – 4(p) – Gate
	Repeated laps.

Note: p = leave mark to port.

Windward/Leeward Racing

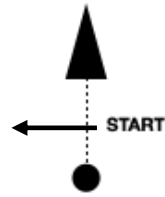


Signal	Mark Rounding Order
L1	Start – 1s/1p (Gate) – 2p/Finish
L2	Start – 1s/1p (Gate) – 2s/2p (Gate) – 1s/1p (Gate) – 2p/Finish
L3	Start – 1s/1p (Gate) – 2s/2p (Gate) – 1s/1p (Gate) – 2s/2p (Gate) – 1s/1p (Gate) – 2p/Finish

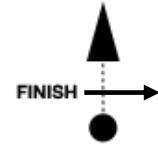
Note: s = leave mark to starboard, p = leave mark to port.

Sprint Racing

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<i>Signal</i>	<i>Mark Rounding Order</i>
BOX	Start – 1(p) – 2(p) – 3(p) – 4(s) – Finish

Note: s = leave mark to starboard, p = leave mark to port.