



LOCH LOMOND SAILING CLUB

2nd – 3rd September 2017

Dinghy Weekend

International Moth and Waszp Scottish Championships

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Sailing Instructions

1 RULES

1.1 Racing will be governed by the Rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016 (except as modified by the Sailing Instructions), the RYA Prescriptions, the Sailing Instructions, and the Rules of the International Moth Class Association. Section 3 "Rules of Navigation" of the Loch Lomond Byelaws 2013 apply when meeting boats that are not racing. This changes the Part 2 preamble.

2 ENTRIES

2.1 Limitation of Liability.

2.1.1 Risk Statement: Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone." Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in an event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- (a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- (b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- (c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- (d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- (e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- (f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.

2.1.2 Each participating boat must be insured with valid third party insurance with a minimum cover of £3 million.

2.2 **Eligibility:** Entry is open to International Moths or Waszps sailed by members of RYA recognised sailing clubs.

2.3 **Personal Buoyancy:** Each competitor shall wear adequate personal buoyancy when afloat. This changes rule 40.

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the Clubhouse hallway.

4 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

4.1 Changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted at least one hour before the time they are due to take effect.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals ashore will be made on the flagpole in front of the Clubhouse.
- 5.2 When displayed ashore Flag AP with two sound signals (one when lowered) means "The race is postponed. The warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after AP is lowered."

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1 There will be a briefing for all competitors at 1130 on Saturday.
- 6.2 The start times for the first race each day are scheduled as follows:
Saturday 13:00
Sunday 10:30
Subsequent races will follow back to back
- 6.3 No race will start after 2pm on Sunday.
- 6.4 Up to 20 races are scheduled for the weekend, if 8 or more races are sailed there will be 2 discards. If 4 or more are sailed there will be one discard.
- 6.5 The completion of racing for each day will be signalled on the committee boat after the finish of the last race of each day

7 CLASS FLAGS

- 7.1 International Moth class flag will be flag M
- 7.2 Waszp class flag will be flag W OR the Class flag (to be advised)

8 COURSES

- 8.1 The course layouts will be trapezoid courses as shown in Appendix 1. Angles may vary from those shown.
- 8.2 The Committee Boat will be 'CEARDACH' or 'MORY', a white workboat



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9 MARKS

- 9.1 The course marks will be orange or yellow inflatable buoys.
- 9.2 The starting mark will be a dan buoy.

10 THE START

- 10.1 A time signal will sound one minute before the first warning signal, when an orange flag will be flown.
- 10.2 The starting line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on the starting boat and the starting mark.

11 CHANGE OF COURSE AFTER THE START

- 11.1 A change of course after the start will be signalled before the leading boat has begun the leg to the moved mark, although the new mark may not then be in position. A Green flag will indicate a change of the next mark to starboard and a Red flag will indicate a change to port. The new bearing will not be displayed. This changes Rule 33.
- 11.2 Any mark to be rounded after rounding the new mark may be relocated to maintain the original course configuration.
- 11.3 Flag "M" shown on the committee boat does not indicate a replacement mark this changes rule ???

12 THE FINISH

- 12.1 The finishing line will be between the staff displaying orange flag on the Finish Boat and the finishing mark (mark 4).

13 DURATION AND TIME LIMIT

- 13.1 The target duration of all races will be 25 minutes: for the leading boat:: after this time has elapsed the Shorten Course signal (Flag S) will be flown and boats will finish the next time they pass through the gate. Any boat that is lapped by the leader will finish the next time it crosses the gate. This changes rules 32, 35 and A4. This is also known as a "Grand Prix Finish"

14 SUPPORT and SAFETY

- 14.1 Safety boats will be stationed around the course.
- 14.2 In the interests of the safety of competitors and patrol

boat crews, competitors shall comply with the instructions of the patrol boat crews. Failure to do so may result in disqualification from the Series. Abandoned boats will be recovered later.

- 14.3 The crew of a boat that retires from the race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.

15 PROTESTS

- 15.1 Protests must be lodged within 30 minutes of coming ashore. Protest forms are available from the race office. This changes rule 61.2.

16 SCORING

- 16.1 The Low Point scoring system, Appendix A, rule A2 will apply to all fleets: one race constitutes a series. Average lap racing may be used if age dependent handicaps are applied to the Moth class. This is at the race officer's discretion and does not form the basis of the main prize giving. Class recommended PNs as listed on the Entry Form.
- 16.2 There will be one discard if 4 or more races are sailed and two discards if 8 or more are sailed.

17 LOCAL RULES

- 17.1 Section 3 "Rules of Navigation" of the Loch Lomond Byelaws 2013 apply when meeting boats that are not racing, This changes the Part 2 preamble." Please pay particular attention to rule 3.4(14) of the Byelaws, which states: "No boat shall approach within 100 metres astern of a fishing boat engaged in trolling and displaying a 'trolling shape'." The 'trolling shape' is an orange ball perched on top of a short post or stick on the fishing boat.

18 PRIZES

- 18.1 Prizes will be awarded in the Clubhouse as soon as possible after the last race.





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Appendix 1 – COURSE

Moths and Waszps will sail trapezoid courses.

There is no set number of rounds: the race will be finished after 20 - 30 minutes (see SI 13.1)

All marks to be left to Port. The gate formed between mark 4 and the committee boat (CB) must be passed through on each lap.

