

Racing

The safety of a craft and her entire management, including insurance, shall be the sole and inescapable responsibility of the owner/competitor racing the craft. The establishment of these instructions in no way limits or reduces the complete and unlimited responsibility of the owner/competitor for their crew, craft and the management thereof.

Boats racing under the flag of East Lothian Yacht Club must meet fully the measurement requirements of their respective class association. All boats racing will have handicaps allocated to them as published by the current edition of the RYA handicap system. Should a boat race with equipment or sails that do not meet their respective class association measurement rules, then their result will not count in the overall results.

Instructions-

A full set of the Club's race instructions can be found posted on the Club website or can be obtained from the Race Secretary. The following abstract is intended for guidance only.

Rules

In accordance with Rule 86.1(b) racing will take place under the current ISAF Racing Rules but shall not modify Rule 18.2, the prescriptions of the RYA, the sailing instructions published at www.elyc.org.uk and the appropriate class rules.

The Start

The start line is an imaginary line running through the two transit poles in front of the starter's box, where boats must pass through the inner and outer marks. In certain wind conditions the OOD may choose to start using a start line off-shore instead of the start line defined above. When an offshore start is to be used, a definition of the start line shall be posted on the course board together with the course to be sailed that day.

The Finish

The finish line is between the higher of the two masts and the outer limit buoy.

Starting Signals

Races will normally be started at 3-minute intervals. A 6-minute warning and a 3-minute preparatory signal will be made for the first race and thereafter, starting light and sound signals at 3-minute intervals.