

# Manx Sailing and Cruising Club

## Sailing Instructions 2009 - OPEN EVENTS

### 1. RULES

Racing will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, RYA prescriptions and these instructions.

### 2. Entries

Races are open to members of the RYA or yacht clubs affiliated to the MYA.

### 3. Safety

- The safety of a boat and her entire management including insurance is the sole responsibility of the owner/person in charge who must ensure that the boat and crew are adequate to face the conditions that may arise. These sailing instructions neither limit nor reduce the absolute responsibility of the owner/person in charge for the crew, the boat and her management.
- The wearing of Buoyancy aids or lifejackets is compulsory whilst racing.
- Entrants are required to carry third party liability insurance of no less than £2 million.
- The MS&CC shall not be responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury howsoever caused to the crew of a competing vessel as a result of taking part.

### 4. Notices to competitors

Notices to the competitors will be posted on the official notice-boards in the clubhouse

### 5. Changes in Sailing Instructions

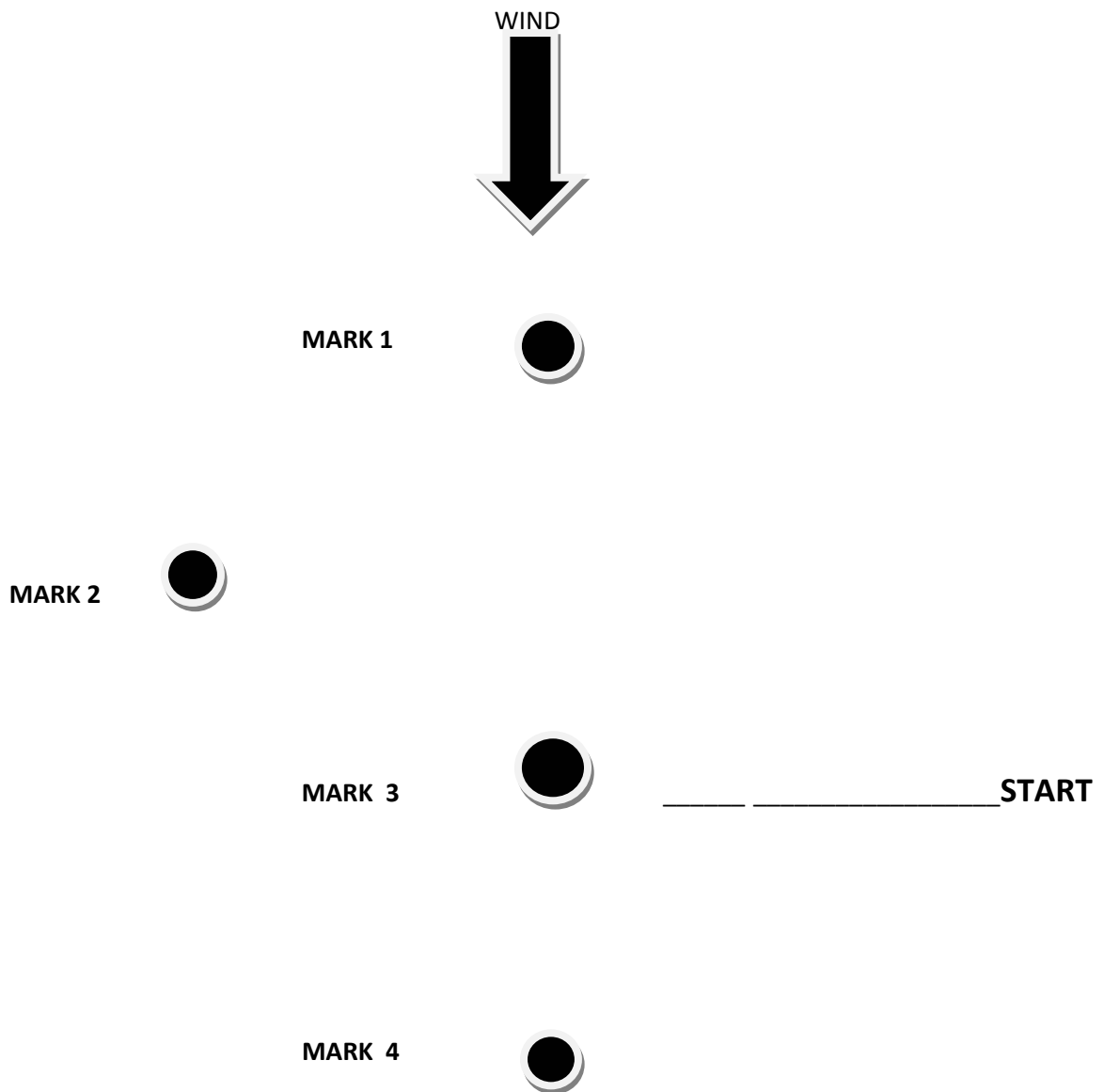
Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted not later than one hour before the start of a race. Any change to the schedule of races will be posted not less than 24 hours before the start.

### 6. Starting

- Code Flags will be flown from the mast of the committee boat.  
Handicap dinghy class – numeral pennant 1  
Subsequent starts for classes of 5 or more at the request of the competitors – Numeral pennant 2,3,4 etc
- Races will be started in accordance with rule 26
- Recalls will be in accordance with rule 29
- The starting line will be between the mast of the committee boat and a port end starting mark

### 7. Marks and Course

- Marks will be orange buoys
- A Red or Green flag displayed prior to the warning signal will indicate whether marks are to be rounded to port (Red) or Starboard (Green)
- The course will be indicated by a letter displayed on the committee boat and sailed according to the following diagram



**T** 1,2,3,1,2,3 and so on

**S** 1,4,1,4 and so on passing through the start/finish line on the upwind legs

**O** 1,2,3,1,3 and so on

**P** 1,2,3,4,1,2,3,4 so on passing through the start/finish line on the upwind legs

- The Finish line will be between the Mast of the committee boat displaying an ORANGE flag and the nearby mark.
- The Average Lap/Portsmouth number system will apply
- Scoring in a series Appendix A (low score system) will apply.
- Two races constitute a series after 4 races one discard will be allowed
- Races will be of about 40 minutes duration a time limit of one hour shall apply.