



**LEIGH ON SEA SAILING CLUB**  
**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS – Brass Monkey Race**  
**SUNDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2024**

**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 the 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 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.

Competitors should note that Leigh on Sea Sailing Club implement the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be required to undertake to sail in compliance with the Charter, which can be found at the front of the RYA rule book (Racing Rules of Sailing 2021 - 2024) or at [www.rya.org.uk/racing/charter](http://www.rya.org.uk/racing/charter)

**Rules: The event will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2021-2024** the prescriptions of the RYA, the Sailing Instructions and rules of the class, except as any of these are changed by these sailing instructions. The Open Meeting is designated Category C.

**Acceptance of the Rules:** By participating in a race conducted under these racing rules, each competitor and boat owner agrees:

(a) to be governed by the *rules*:

(b) to accept the penalties imposed and other action taken under the *rules*, subject to the appeal and review procedures provided in them, as the final determination of any matter arising under the *rules*; and

(c) where the matter is not one to be determined under the *rules* not to resort to any court of law or any tribunal until all internal remedies provided by ISAF or by the Court of Arbitration for Sport have been exhausted.

**Entries:** Complete an entry form supplied by Leigh on Sea Sailing Club. An entry fee of £10 per boat sailed by Adults, free entry to boats sailed by Cadets.

All competitors shall wear personal flotation devices at all times whilst on the water. This amends Rule 40 and the preamble to Part 4 of RRS.

**Notices to Competitors:** Notices to competitors will be posted on the notice board located in the downstairs atrium.

**Changes in Sailing Instructions:** Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted before 12.00 on the day it will take effect.

**Schedule of Races. High tide 29<sup>th</sup> December 2024 HW 11:16 Ht 5.20m**

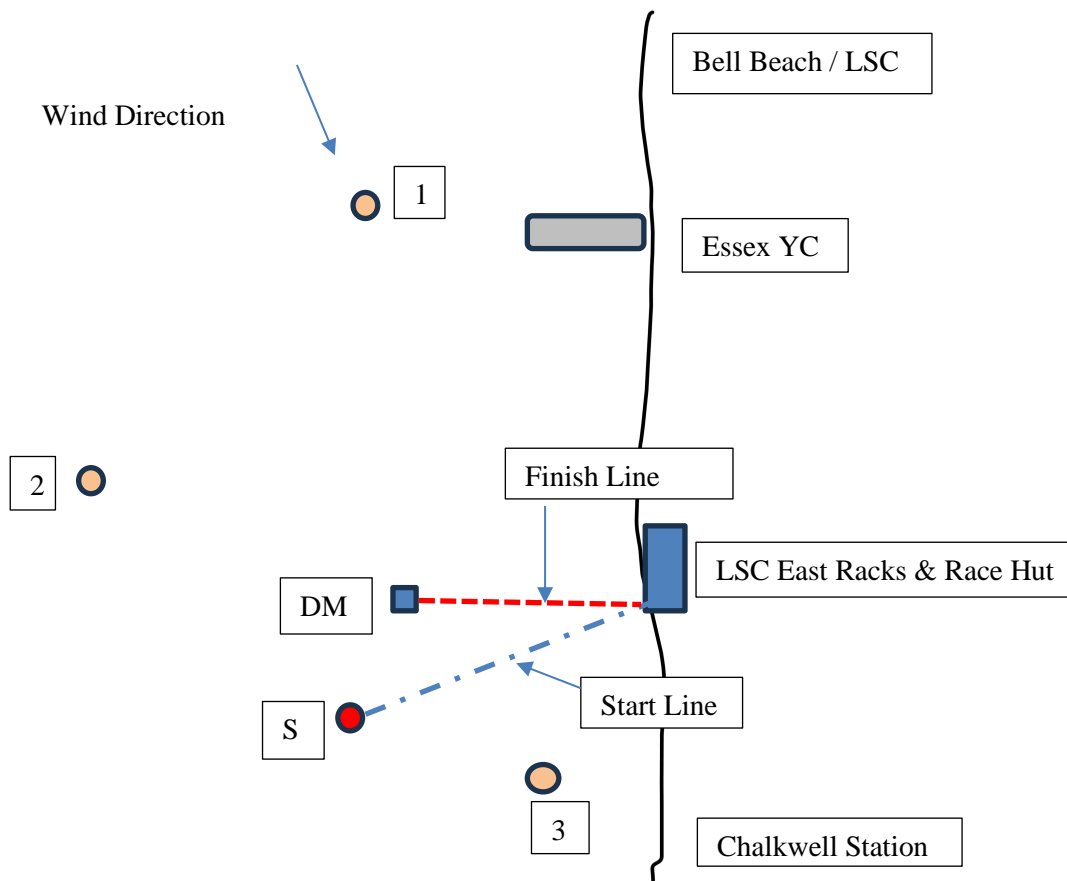
One race is scheduled to be sailed for ALL classes.

**ALL Classes - Class Flag C**

<b>Race</b>	<b>Start time</b>
1	29 <sup>th</sup> December 11:30 GMT

**Scoring - General**      The low point scoring system of Appendix A will apply, using average lap times.

**The Course:** The diagram indicates the approximate relative positions of the start, finish, gate and marks. The course will be reversed for Easterly wind direction.



**Course:** The course will be as show All Marks to Port or reversed All marks to Starboard

The **Start line** will be between the Pole with the club Burgee and Mark S.

1, 2, 3, gate (DM Pole – Race Hut),

Number of laps to be shown on the Race Hut.

An arrow will indicate the direction of the start and the first mark

**NOTE:** the orange start buoy **WILL NOT** form a mark of the course after the start):

Marks 1, 2, and 3 must be left to Port Course A or Starboard Course B.

**Note: the gate (DM – Race Hut) MUST** be sailed through on each leg which comprises marks 3 → 1.

**The Finish line** will be between the Pole with the club Burgee and Mark DM

**Course “A”** - WESTERLY START – (towards Old Leigh) When a Course “A” board displayed on a red background, leave all marks to Port, maximum four rounds.

**Course “B”** - EASTERLY START- (towards the Pier) When a Course “B” board displayed on a green background, leave all marks to Starboard, maximum four rounds.

**Marks:** Marks 1, 2, and 3, will be large cylindrical orange inflatables which are unnumbered. Mark S will be a small orange cylindrical inflatable. DM is the inner pole with a Black top box due south of the Race Box.

The course to be sailed by all classes will be displayed on the race hut at the warning signal.

**The Start: Rule 26** Races will be started using the procedures described in Rule 26 as:

<i>Minutes before starting signal</i>	<i>Visual Signal</i>	<i>Sound Signal</i>	<i>Means</i>
5	Class Flag C	One	Warning signal
4	P	One	Preparatory signal
1	Preparatory flag removed	One	One minute
0	Class Flag removed	One	Starting signal

**The Finish:** After the first boat has finished or the shortened course signal has been given, any boats that have been lapped will be finished the next time they pass through the finish line. At the discretion of the Race Officer, the fleet may be finished at any mark. In this case a second finish line will be established between the mark and a support boat which shall fly Code Flag M.

**Scoring:** The races will be scored using the ISAF Appendix A standard low point system, using average lap times to calculate the corrected lap times.

**Handicaps:** The handicaps to be used will be as published by the RYA for the 2024 season in 'Current list' or the 'Limited Data List'.

**Protests:** Protests shall be written on forms available from the Race Officer and delivered back within 90 minutes after the time of the last boats finish in the last race of the day.

Protests will be heard in approximately the order of receipt as soon as possible.

Protest notices will be posted within 20 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors where and when there is a hearing in which they are parties to a hearing or named as witnesses.