



UK Formula 18 National Championships
August 26th, 27th and 28th 2017
Hayling Ferry Sailing Club
Hayling Island



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 No national prescriptions will apply.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the HFSC Club House.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 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.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be flown from the Club flagpole in the dinghy park.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 A total of 9 races are scheduled for the Championship, with 3 races per day. One extra race per day may be sailed, provided the change is made according to SI 3.
- 5.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race of each day is:

Saturday 26 August	11:55
Sunday 27 August	10:55
Monday 28 August	10:55
- 5.3 The warning signal for successive races on each day will be made as soon as reasonably practical after completion of the preceding race.
- 5.4 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1500 except as a consequence of a general recall.

6 CLASS FLAG

The Class Flag will be the International Formula 18 class flag

7 RACING AREAS

- 7.1 The race areas are shown in Addendum A. The primary race area will be off Eastney seafront, to the east of the Submarine Barrier. The secondary race area will be in Hayling Bay.



8 THE COURSE

Addendum B shows the course, the order in which the marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

9 MARKS

The marks will be described at the Competitor's briefing.

10 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

10.1 The following are obstructions within or bounding the primary race area:

The Submarine Barrier (connecting Horse Sands Fort to the mainland off Portsmouth) bounding the west side of the racing area

- a) The Roway Wreck (identified by IALA isolated danger mark (2 black balls))
- b) The swimming area off Eastney bounded by four yellow spherical buoys approximately 100 metres off shore

10.2 The following are obstructions bounding the secondary race area:

- a) The East Winner Sand (bounding the secondary race area on the west side)

11 THE START

11.1 The starting line will be between a mast on the Committee Boat displaying an orange flag, and the course side of the port-end starting mark.

11.2 A boat that does not start within 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

11.3 No individual recall numbers will be displayed.

12 CHANGE OF COURSE

12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position.

12.2 If a gate is replaced by one mark only, this mark is to be left to port.

13 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a mast on the Committee Boat displaying an orange flag, and the course side of the port-end finishing mark.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

15 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

15.1 The target time for a race is 50 minutes for the lead boat. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

15.2 Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

15.3 The time limit for the lead boat to finish the race is 90 minutes.

15.4 The time limit for the lead boat to reach the first mark after the start is 30 minutes.



16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 16.1 Protest forms are available from the HFSC Clubhouse, adjacent to the official notice board.
- 16.2 Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered within the appropriate time limit in writing by hand to the Regatta Coordinator (or delegate). The name and telephone number of the Regatta Coordinator will be posted on the official notice board.
- 16.3 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 16.4 The location for hearings will be posted within 30 minutes of the end of the protest time limit.

17 SCORING

- 17.1 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a championship.
- 17.2
 - a) When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - b) When from 4 to 7 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
 - c) When 8 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

18 SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

- 18.1 Boats are advised that the race area is close to a busy shipping channel; the ships using the channel are constrained by their draft with very restricted ability to manoeuvre. All boats are reminded of their obligation to maintain a good lookout and to keep clear of all shipping. [DP]
- 18.2 Boats shall tally-on before going afloat by removing their tally from the tally board and placing it in the box provided. [DP]
- 18.3 A boat that retires shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible by informing the Regatta Coordinator. The name and telephone number of the Regatta Coordinator will be posted on the official notice board. [DP]
- 18.4 Boats shall tally-off after coming ashore by removing their tally from the tally board and placing it in the box provided. [DP]
- 18.5 RRS 40 (Personal Buoyancy) applies at all times when afloat; code flag Y will not be flown (this alters rule 40). [DP]
- 18.6 Competitors shall wear a wet suit or dry suit whilst afloat. [DP]

19 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or its equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with its class rules and the sailing instructions.

20 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 20.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the Race Committee. [DP]
- 20.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the Race Committee at the first reasonable opportunity. [DP]



21 ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising supplied by the organizing authority.
[DP]

22 TRASH DISPOSAL

Trash may be placed aboard support or official boats.

23 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. [DP]

24 PRIZES

24.1 The regatta winner will obtain the title '2017 Formula 18 United Kingdom Champion'.

24.2 Prizes will be awarded in the following categories subject to entry numbers:

- a) Pro-am Team
- b) Overall Winner
- c) Mixed Team
- d) Masters – the helm shall be aged 50 years or older on the first day of the event
- e) Youth Team – both helm and crew shall be aged 23 years or younger on the first day of the event
- f) Junior – the helm shall be aged 16 years or younger on the first day of the event
- g) Most Improved.

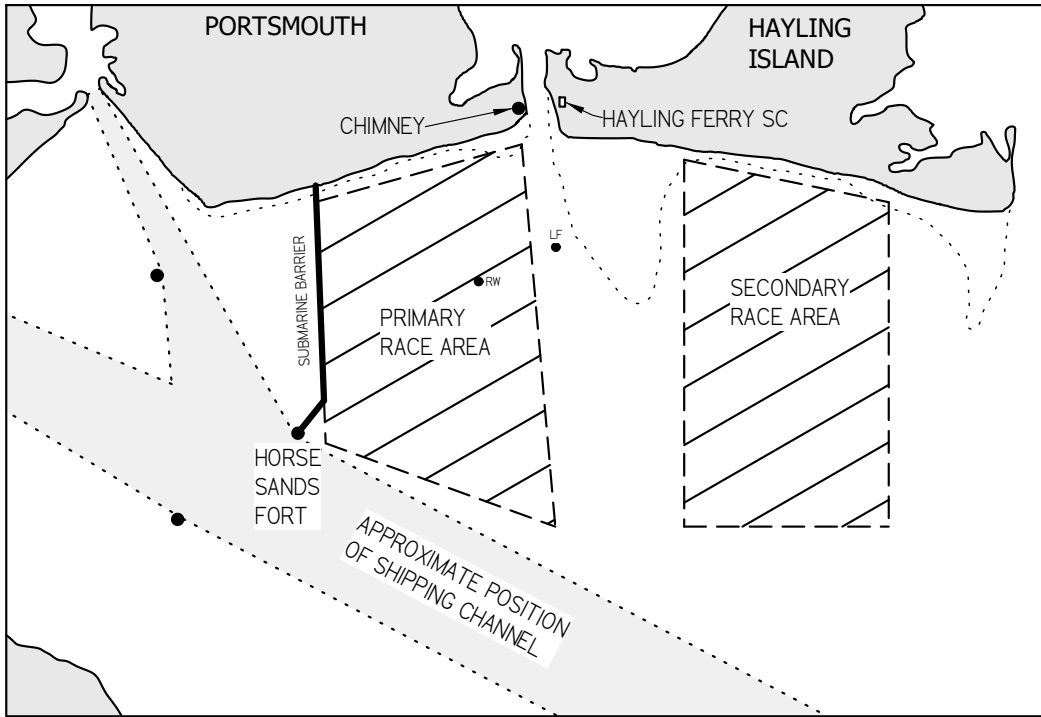
25 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

25.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

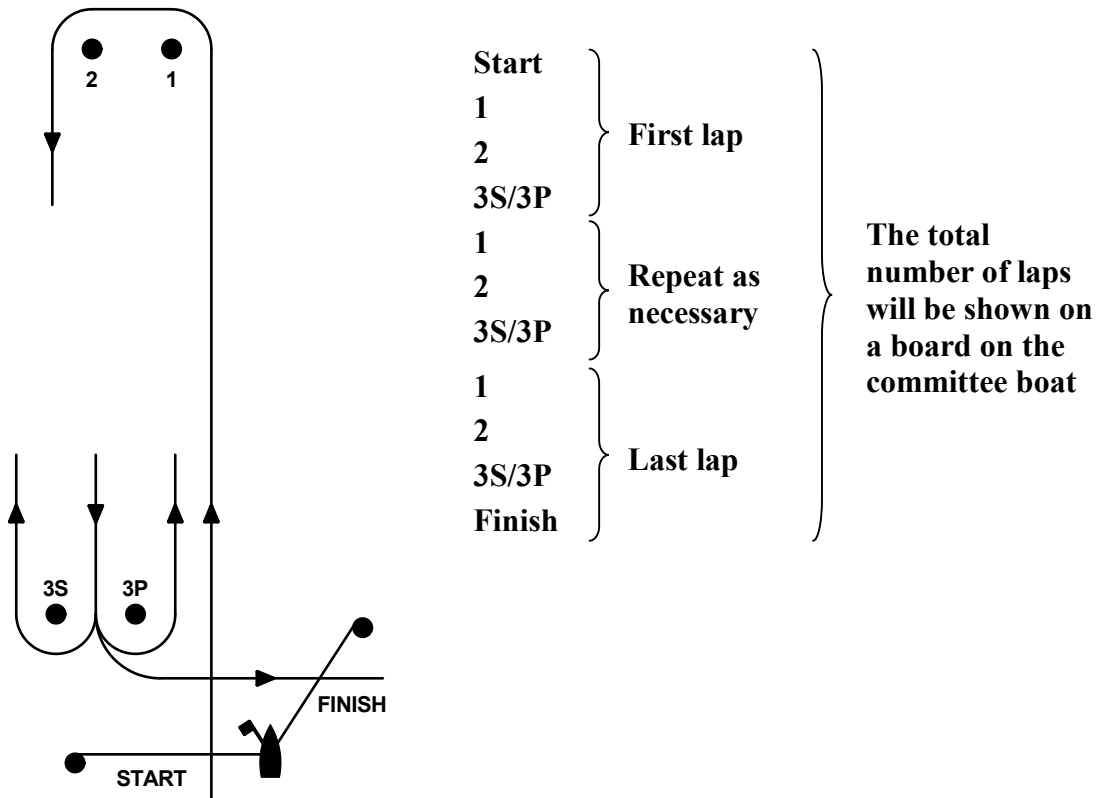
26 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000 per incident.

Addendum A – Racing Areas



Addendum B – Course Diagram



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What's on When



■ General ■ Sailing

Friday 26th

7:00	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	12:00	13:00	14:00	15:00	16:00	17:00	18:00	19:00	20:00	21:00	
					▲ HFSC open from midday for competitors to arrive										

Saturday 27th

7:00	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	12:00	13:00	14:00	15:00	16:00	17:00	18:00	19:00	20:00	
■		Cooked breakfast available from breakfast tent												
											Galley open for snacks, lunch and afternoon tea			
			■											
				■				Registration						
				■		Competitor's briefing								
					▲ Warning signal for 1st race of the day not before 11:55									
										Bar open				
										Welcome / general briefing				
										Inclusive hot meal				
												Band		

Sunday 28th

7:00	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	12:00	13:00	14:00	15:00	16:00	17:00	18:00	19:00	20:00	
■		Cooked breakfast available from breakfast tent												
											Galley open for snacks, lunch and afternoon tea			
				▲ Warning signal for 1st race of the day not before 10:55										
										Bar open				
										Food orders placed				
										F18 Class Association AGM				
												DJ		

Monday 29th

7:00	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	12:00	13:00	14:00	15:00	16:00	17:00	18:00	19:00	20:00	
■		Cooked breakfast available from breakfast tent												
											Galley open for snacks, lunch and afternoon tea			
				▲ Warning signal for 1st race of the day not before 10:55										
										Prize giving starts (approximate time)				