



WEST MERSEA WHITE SAIL SERIES

APPENDIX TO 2020 WMYC AND DSC JOINT NOTICE OF RACE & SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Preamble

BOATS WITH AN IRC RATING ARE DISCOURAGED FROM PARTICIPATING IN RACES IN THIS SERIES WHEN AN IRC RACE IS SCHEDULED ON THE SAME DAY, IF THEY ARE FULLY CREWED. The White Sail Series is designed to appeal to boats which are less than fully crewed, and which are not flat out race boats. Handicaps used for the series will be NHC

1. RACING RULES

Races will be sailed under the *Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*, together with the RYA National Prescriptions, the 2020 West Mersea Yacht Club & Dabchicks Sailing Club Joint Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions and this Appendix, together with any subsequent amendments issued to those Sailing Instructions and this Appendix.

2. SERIES & ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1 The series will consist of 18 (eighteen) races, as detailed in the 2020 Sailing Programme published by each club.
- 2.2 The series has been arranged for boats using only cotton, dacron, cruising laminate or pentex sails. Sails made from other materials MAY be permitted after presentation to the joint sailing committee and in accordance with paragraph 2.3.
- 2.3 Anyone wishing to race in the white sail fleet whose sails are made of materials not listed in paragraph 2.2 may have their NHC base handicap number increased by a maximum of +0.030
- 2.4 Spinnakers and cruising chutes are NOT permitted to be used at any time during the series. However, a headsail, the luff of which is fully attached to the forestay, may be boomed out on downwind legs using any type of pole or jibstick.

3. CLASS FLAGS

Numeral Pennant 4 class flag shall be flown from the backstay of yachts competing in all races in this Series. Sail numbers shall be clearly seen from at least the Mainsail

4. COURSES

White Sail Series races may be sailed over a different course to the course selected for any IRC race being held on the same day. The course for the White Sail Series race will be displayed on the Committee Boat after the start of any IRC race being held on the same day and before the preparatory signal for the White Sail Series race. The course may also be broadcast by the Committee Boat on VHF Channel 77.



6. DISCARDS ALLOWED

Discards will be as Sailing Instructions 2020 section 16.4.1.
