



## 2022 Miracle/SigneT National Championships 21st August – 26th August 2022

Hosted by Dabchicks Sailing Club, West Mersea

The 2022 Joint Miracle and SigneT National Championships will be held at Dabchicks Sailing Club.  
The Organising Authority is the Miracle Association, Signet Association and Dabchicks Sailing Club.

### SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

#### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 RRS Appendix T applies.
- 1.3 RRS 40.1 applies at all times whilst afloat.
- 1.4 [NP] Breaches of SI 18, 19, 21 & 23 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

#### 2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted not less than 30 minutes before launching, except that changes to the schedule of races will be posted before 19.00 on the day before it will take effect

#### 3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the online official notice board at [Official Noticeboard](#)
- 3.2 An event WhatsApp group has also been set up for competitors  
<https://chat.whatsapp.com/DVHhOhkzEgeH32tn4RiiU7>

#### 4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the club house Flag Staff.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes', in Race Signals AP.

## 5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

### 5.1

Date	HW	Miracle Class		SigneT Class	
		Event	Time	Event	Time
Sun 21st Aug	07:39 3.70	Practice sail	14:00	Practice sail	14:00
		Briefing	18:30	Briefing	18:30
			Warning Signal		Warning Signal
Monday 22nd August	09:00 3.70	1st Points Race	11:00	1st Points Race	11:05
		2nd Points Race	ASAP after 1st Points Race	2nd Points Race	ASAP after 1st Points Race
		1st Youth Race	ASAP after 2nd Points Race	-	-
Tues 23rd Aug	10:21 3.90	3rd Points Race	10.25	3rd Points Race	10.30
		4th Points Race	ASAP after 3rd Points Race	4th Points Race	ASAP after 3rd Points Race
		2nd Youth Race	ASAP after 3rd Points Race		
Weds 24th Aug	11:23 4.20	5th Points Race	10.25	5th points race	10.30
		6th Points Race	ASAP after 5th Points Race	6th Points Race	ASAP after 5th Points Race
		3rd Youth Race	ASAP after 6th Points Race	Crew invitation race concurrent with Miracle Youth Race	ASAP after 6th Points Race
		7th Points Race	10.25		

Thurs 25th Aug	12:10 4.50	8th Points Race	ASAP after 7th Points Race	No sailing, lay day. Reserved for catch-up in case of lost races	
		Single handed/non- spinnaker Race	ASAP after 8th Points Race		
Fri 26th Aug	12:51 4.70	9th Points Race	10.25	7th points race	10.30
		10th Points Race	ASAP after 9th Points Race	8th points race	ASAP after 7th points race
		Crew's Race	ASAP after 10th Points Race	Single Handed Race	ASAP after 8 <sup>th</sup> points race

5.2 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.

5.3 No start sequence will commence after 15:00 on Sunday except following a general recall of a race started before 15:00.

## 6 CLASS FLAGS

6.1 Signets



6.2 Miracles



## 7 RACING AREA

7.1 The racing area will be as per NOR 11.2.

## **8 COURSES**

- 8.1 The diagrams in SI Addendum 1 shows the courses, including the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 8.2 The course and number of laps to be sailed will be displayed from the Committee Boat.
- 8.3 The approximate bearing of mark 1 and distance may be displayed on the Committee Boat.

## **9 MARKS**

- 9.1 Marks 1, 2, and 3p will be Orange 1.8m inflatable Pillar buoys.
- 9.3 The Starting Mark will be a Committee Boat or a Dan Buoy flying an orange flag.
- 9.4 The Finishing Mark will be a small orange pin inflatable buoy.

## **10 [DP] OBSTRUCTIONS**

- 10.1 [DP] [NP] There is an exclusion zone at approximately 51° 45.00N 000° 56.00E. The zone is clearly delineated by yellow marker buoys. No competitor may enter this zone at any time; any competitor identified in breach of this instruction will be disqualified without a hearing.

## **11 THE START**

- 11.1 Races will be started using RRS 26 with the warning signal made five minutes before the starting signal.
- 11.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Committee Boat and the port-end Starting Mark.
- 11.3 A boat that does not start within 4 minutes after the starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

## **12 CHANGE TO THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

- 12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark.
- 12.2 Minor mark moves, up to approximately 100m, may be made without signaling the change. This changes RRS 33.

## **13 THE FINISH**

- 13.1 The Finishing Line will be between the staff displaying a blue flag on the Committee Boat and the finish mark.

## **14 PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 14.1 The Exoneration Penalty and the Advisory and RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available

## **15 TIME LIMITS [AND TARGET TIMES]**

- 15.1 The time limits and target times are as follows:

<b>Time Limit for first boat to finish</b>	<b>Target time</b>
75 minutes	45 minutes

- 15.2 The race committee may award a finishing place to a boat by pointing Flag W at her with a sound signal. The signaled boat shall be deemed to have finished, and the score awarded shall be the position occupied at the time of the signal. If two or more overlapped boats are signaled, they shall be scored as if they were tied. This changes RRS 28.1 and A3

## **16 HEARING REQUESTS**

- 16.1 Hearing request forms are available at [Protest form](#). Protests shall be delivered within the protest time limit.
- 16.2 The protest time limit is 20 minutes after the last boat returns ashore.
- 16.3 Notices will be posted at [Protest hearings](#) and on the event WhatsApp group <https://chat.whatsapp.com/JYIsG5Dr19Z4QWtOS7Ilzk> no later than 10 minutes after the protest time limit has expired to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held at the earliest opportunity.
- 16.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b) at Protest hearings and on the event WhatsApp group.
- 16.5 On the last scheduled day of racing, a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 10 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2(a).
- 16.6 Data and the information from cameras, video and positioning equipment shall not be grounds for redress.

## **17 SCORING**

- 17.1 See NOR 14.
- 17.3 Scoring queries may be sent using this link [Scoring query](#)

## **18 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 18.1 A safety tally system will be in operation.
- 18.1.1 The tally control point will be beside the barge on the Lifeboat launch slip
- 18.1.2 A Competitor's tally number will be allocated by the scoring system.
- 18.1.3 Competitors shall individually check-out before racing by personally going to the tally control point and collecting a tally band to advise they are going racing.
- 18.1.4 Competitors shall individually check-in immediately on returning to shore by personally going to the tally control point and giving their tally band to advise they are ashore. This must be done no later than 10 minutes after the last boat has come ashore.

- 18.1.5 The penalty for failing to tally-out or tally-in as instructed above will be five points added to the boat's series score for that day Not excludable. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.
- 18.2 [DP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee or a race support boat as soon as possible and shall not leave the race area without permission of the Race Committee.
- 18.3 [DP] Boats wishing to sail ashore before the end of the day's racing shall not do so unless authorised by an official boat. The official boat will instruct boats in the procedure for returning ashore.
- 18.4 [DP] Competitors are required to comply with any reasonable request from a race official or safety boat. Boats failing to follow these instructions may be reported to the protest committee, which may protest the boat. Boats penalised under this SI may be scored DNE. This amends RRS 64.1(a)

## **19 REPLACEMENTS OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

- 19.1 [DP] Substitution of competitors is not allowed without prior written approval of the Race Committee. The form is available at [Crew Substitution](#)
- 19.2 [DP] Substitution of damaged or lost equipment is not allowed unless authorised in writing by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first opportunity, which may be after the race. [Equipment substitution](#)

## **20 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

- 20.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, notice of race and sailing instructions. On the water or ashore, a boat can be instructed by an equipment inspector to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection. A boat shall comply with any reasonable request made by an equipment inspector.

## **22 [DP] SUPPORT BOATS**

See NoR 16.

## **23 TRASH DISPOSAL**

- 23.1 RRS 47 applies.

## **24 PRIZES**

- 24.1 NOR 21 applies

## **25 RISK STATEMENT**

See NoR 19.

## **26 INSURANCE**

See NoR 20.

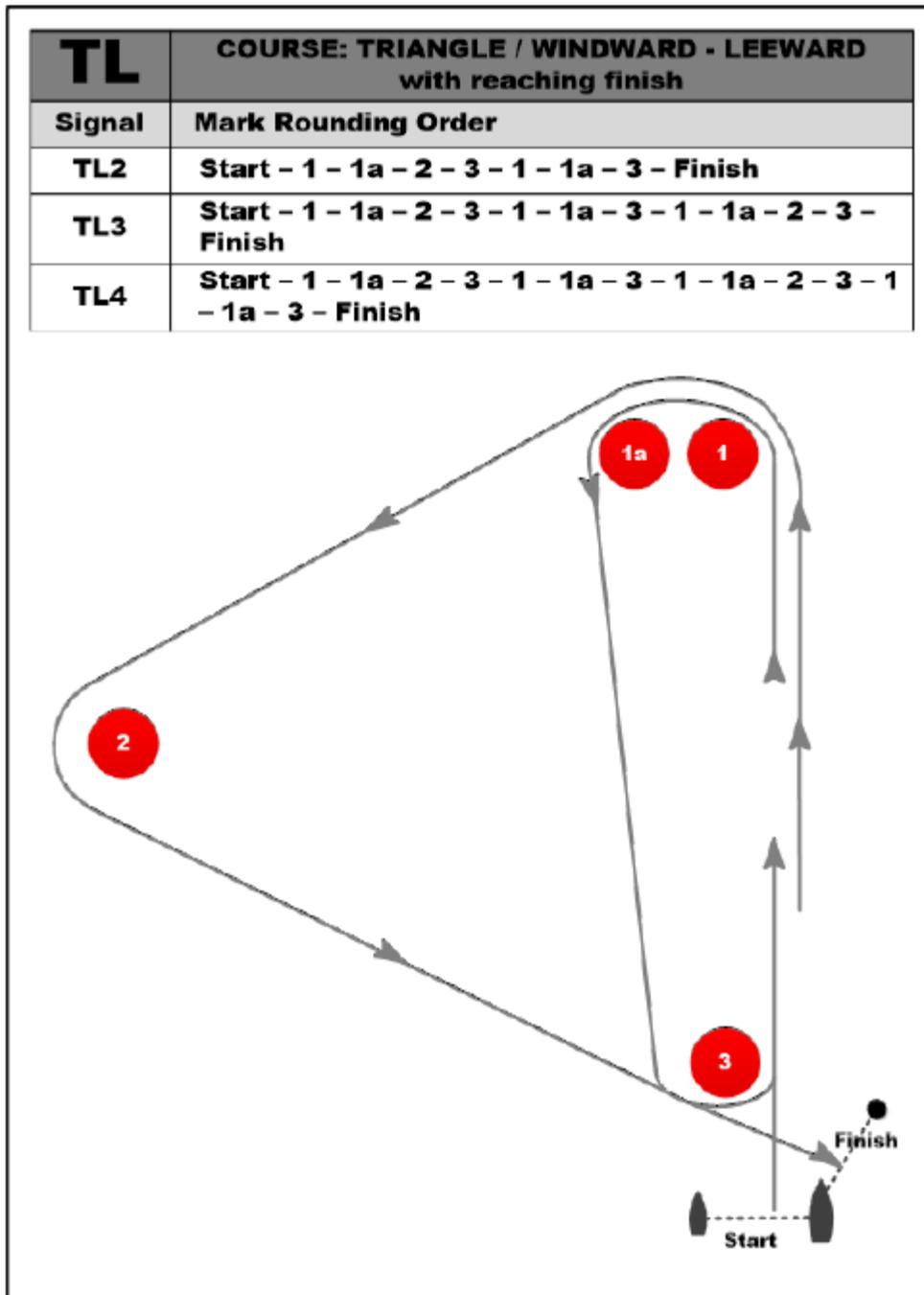
## Addendum One – COURSE DIAGRAMS

### Nomenclature

L designates a finish to leeward

The number designates the number of windward legs

TL is triangle first



## **Addendum Two – LINKS TO OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS**

[Official Notice Board](#)

[File a Protest](#)

[Submit Question for Jury](#)

[Submit Crew Substitution Request](#)

[Submit Equipment Substitution Request](#)

[Submit Scoring Inquiry](#)

[Submit Penalty Report](#)

[Protest Hearing Schedule](#)

[Protest Decisions](#)

[Questions for the Jury](#)

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