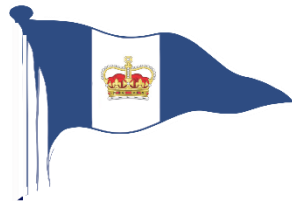


B14 CLASS ASSOCIATION

EUROPEAN & NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

12th – 16th June 2024



B14

The Organising Authority (OA) is the Royal Torbay Yacht Club (RTYC)

In conjunction with the UK International B14 Class Association (UKB14)

This event is being organised at the same time and in conjunction with the I14 Class Association National Championships and POW for which separate NoR and Sailing Instructions will be published.

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a) The notation (DP) in a rule in the NOR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Abbreviations:

[NP] – A breach of this rule will not be grounds for a protest by a boat.

[DP] – Rules for which the penalties are the discretion of the Protest committee.

1 RULES

1.1 The Event will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing*

1.2 No national prescriptions shall apply

1.3 Racing rules 44.1 and 44.2 will be changed as follows: Two-turn penalty is changed so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required.

Racing rules 44.1 and 44.2 are further changed in that when an incident occurs where a penalty applies while the head of the spinnaker is above the main-boom gooseneck, the penalty may be taken immediately after the next time the head of the spinnaker is lowered below the main-boom gooseneck but shall be taken prior to rounding the next mark or crossing the finishing line. The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions.

Rule 44.3 will not apply.

1.4 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence

1.5 (DP) Torbay Harbour Bye Laws apply.

2 SAFETY REGULATIONS [DP][NP]

- 2.1 The race committee will protest a boat for a breach of these safety regulations.
- 2.2 Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices at all times while afloat, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment.
- 2.3 (NP) (DP) A Tally system will be in place and all Competitors shall individually check out at the Tally Control Point at the top of the slip way, prior to launching and check in upon their return ashore. The penalty for a first tally infringement is £10 in the RNLI box, for the second and further infringements is £20 in the RNLI box
- 2.4 Boats not leaving the shore for a scheduled race shall promptly notify the Beachmaster.
- 2.5 On arrival at the racing area, boats shall sail closely by the race committee boat, clearly showing their sail numbers.
- 2.6 A boat that retires from racing shall notify the race committee before leaving the racing area, or if that is not possible, shall notify the race office as soon as possible after returning ashore.

3 CODE OF CONDUCT [DP][NP]

- 3.1 Competitors shall comply with any reasonable request from a race officials.

4 RACING AREA

- 4.1 Racing will take place in Tor Bay. SI Addendum 1 shows the location of the racing area.

5 THE COURSES

- 5.1 The diagrams in SI Addendum 2A and 2B show the courses, the course designations, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 5.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

6 MARKS

- 6.1 Rounding marks for all courses are orange inflatables.
- 6.2 The finish race committee vessel or mark is shown on the course diagrams in SI Addendums 2A and 2B.
- 6.3 The change of course mark will be a Yellow inflatable.
- 6.4 The starting marks are race committee with an Orange flag vessels or a white buoy with an Orange flag.
- 6.5 The finish marks are race committee vessels with a Blue flag or a white buoy with a Blue flag.
- 6.6 If a gate mark is missing and has not been substituted in accordance with RRS 34, the remaining mark shall be left to port.

7 CLASS FLAGS

- 7.1 The Class flag will be the class insignia.

8 OBSTRUCTIONS

- 8.1 [NP] [DP] The following is an obstruction - A yellow buoy with associated trailing buoys serving as a wave monitor located at approximately 050°433N 003°517W.

9 THE START

- 9.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel at the starboard end and the port end Starting Mark.
- 9.2 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes RRS A5.

10 THE FINISH

10.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a Blue flag on the race committee vessel and a White buoy with a Blue flag or a Race Committee vessel with a Blue flag.

11 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

11.1 Time limits and target times are as follows:

Time Limit	Mark 1 Time Limit	Finish Window	Target Time
85	20	20	45

11.2 During a race, while still within the time limit and provided all prior boats on the course have finished or retired, the Race Committee may give a finishing place to any boat that is still racing by displaying W Flag to her from an official vessel (which may be in motion) with two sound signals. This changes rule 28.

11.3 If no boat rounds Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit, the race committee shall abandon the race.

12 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

12.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located online at [B14 Nationals 2024](#).

12.2 Signals ashore will be displayed on the flagpole on Haldon Pier, Torquay.

12.3 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in the race signal AP.

12.4 Boats shall not leave the harbour until flag D is displayed ashore with one sound signal. The warning signal will not be displayed before the scheduled time or at least 45 minutes after the D flag is displayed.

13 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

13.1 Any change to the format or schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect and any change to the sailing instructions will be posted one hour before the first warning signal on the day it will take effect.

14 SCHEDULE OF RACES

14.1 For the European Championships it is intended to run a series of 11 races over 4 days with up to 4 races in any one day.

14.2 For the National Championships it is intended to run a series of 8 races over 3 days with up to 4 races in any one day.

14.3

Date		1 st Warning Signal
Thursday 13 th June	Europeans	12.55 3 Races
Friday 14 th June	Europeans and Nationals	12.55 3 Races
Saturday 15 th June	Europeans and Nationals	12.55 3 Race
Sunday 16 th June	Europeans and Nationals	11.55 2 Races

14.6 No warning signal will be made later than 1500 hrs on the last day of scheduled racing

15 COURSE CHANGES

- 15.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark. After mark 1 has been replaced, mark 1a will not be reset.

16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 16.1 Protest forms are available from the Race Office at the Royal Torbay Yacht Club. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the Race Office within the appropriate time limit.
- 16.2 The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.
- 16.3 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room at the Royal Torbay Yacht Club beginning at the time posted.
- 16.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 16.5 Breaches of SIs marked [NP] will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 16.6 On the last day of the regatta, a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:
- 16.6.1 within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day.
- 16.6.2 no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes RRS 66.
- 16.7 On the last day of the regatta, a request for redress based on a jury decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.

17 SCORING

- 17.1 A minimum of three(3) races are required to be completed to constitute the regatta.
- 17.2 When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores.
- 17.3 When from 4 to 8 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 17.4 When 9 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores excluding her worst 2 scores.
- 17.5 To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a boat may complete a scoring enquiry form available at the race office.

18 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS [DP]

- 18.1 See NoR 9.5.
- 18.2 Equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. When instructed by an event equipment inspector, a boat shall proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

19 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT [DP]

- 19.1 Substitution of competitors will only be allowed if approved by the race committee and only in exceptional circumstances.
- 19.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the race committee or event equipment inspector. Requests for substitution shall be made at the first reasonable opportunity in writing on a form available from the Race Office.

20 OFFICIAL BOATS

20.1 Official boats will be marked as follows:

Race Committee vessels	Yellow Flag
Official Support vessels	White Numeral flag
Media vessel	White Media flag with letter P

21 SUPPORT BOATS [DP]

See NoR 16.1

22 ADVERTISING,

22.1 When provided by the organizing authority, boats or crew shall display or wear the event or sponsor advertising material as instructed.

23 BERTHING AND BOAT PARK [DP]

23.1 When ashore, boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the boat park.

24 RADIO COMMUNICATION [DP]

24.1 A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats, except in an emergency or when using equipment provided by the race committee. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

25 PRIZES

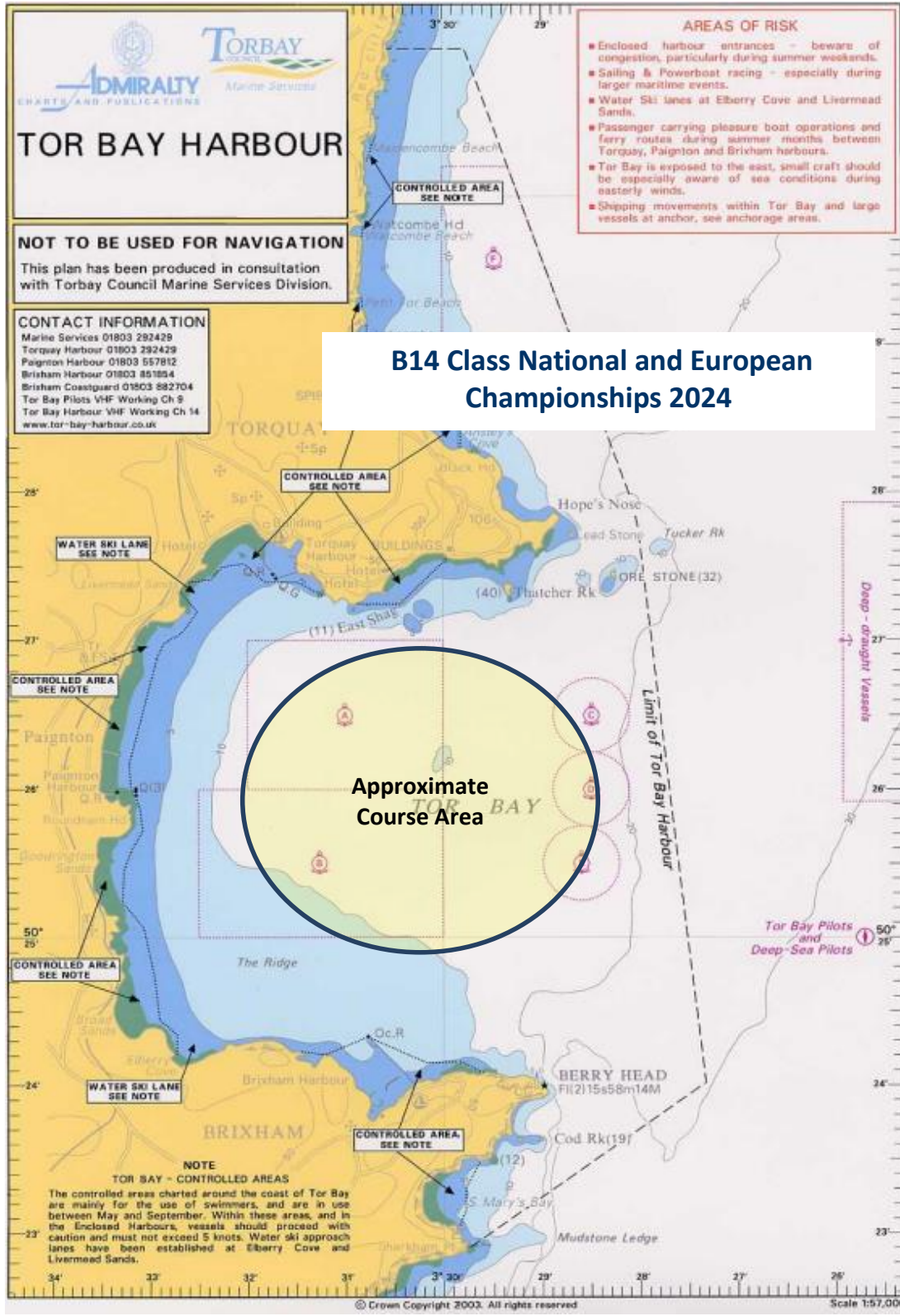
25.1 Prizes will be awarded as described in NoR 24 as a minimum.

25.2 The prize giving ceremony will take place after racing on Sunday 16th June at the Royal Torbay Yacht Club.

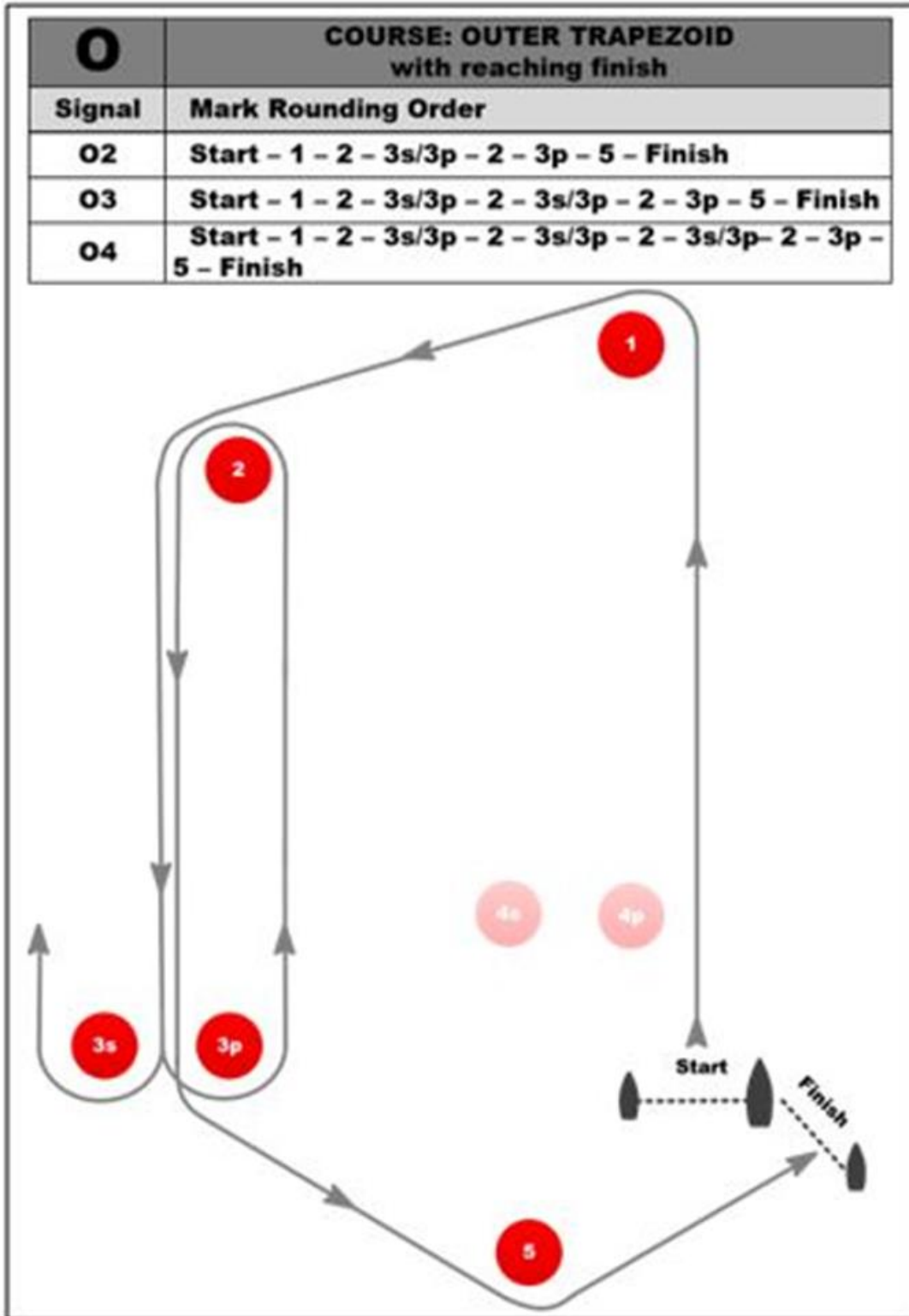
26 RISK STATEMENT

See NoR 22

ADDENDUM 1 - COURSE AREA -



ADDENDUM 2A



ADDENDUM 2B

LA	COURSE: WINDWARD / LEEWARD with spreader mark
Signal	Mark Rounding Order
LA2	Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – Finish
LA3	Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – Finish
LA4	Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – Finish

Start & Finish