

Sailing Instructions

7th Borneo International Yachting Challenge

2010

Keelboat and Multihull Classes 13/07/10

Organizing Authority

The Regatta is organized by the Ministry Of Tourism And Heritage Sarawak, Labuan Corporation, and Sabah Tourism Board.

The Regatta office is at Park City Everly Hotel Miri, Waterfront Hotel Labuan and at North Borneo Yachting Office, Sutera Harbour marina in Kota Kinabalu

1. Rules

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the Rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The following will apply
 - The Offshore Special Regulations Category 3 for the Passage Race and Category 5 for the Inshore Races.
 - Between 1800 and 0600 navigation lights shall be lit and RRS Part 2 rules 10 – 19 inclusive will cease to be applicable and will be replaced by Part B (steering and sailing rules) of the International Regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea.
 - The IRC Rules, Parts 1,2 and 3
 - The Arbitrary Handicap Scheme and as administered by the Race Committee
 - The Notice of Race as amended by these Sailing Instructions.
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- 1.3 Racing Rules will be changed as indicated.
 - SI 4.2 Race Signals
 - SI 10.8 RRS A4 and A5.
 - SI 13.5 RRS 35 and A4.
 - SI 14.2 RRS 61.3 and 62.2
 - SI 14.5 RRS 66.
 - SI 14.6 RRS 60.1 (a).
 - SI 15.2 RRS Appendix A2.

2. Notices to Competitors

Notices to Competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board outside the Race Office in Miri, Labuan and Kota Kinabalu

3. Changes to Sailing Instructions

- 3.1 A change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board before 0730 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.
- 3.2 Late changes may be made on VHF Channel 69 prior to the warning signal. Code flag L will be displayed on the Signal Boat.

4. Signals Made Ashore

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on a flag pole beside the Race Office.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore. '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in the race signal sequence.
- 4.3 The raising and lowering of flag AP will be broadcast on VHF Channel 69
- 4.4 Flag L will be displayed outside the Race Office when an amendment is posted. At the start of racing each day the flag will be removed and will be displayed again if a further amendment is posted.

5. Schedule of Races

- 5.1 The Race Schedule for IRC Class and the Cruising Class A will be:

Day	Race Number	Course
Sunday 25 July	Race 1 & 2	Windward/Leeward Courses
Monday 26 July	Race 3	Passage Race to Labuan
Wednesday 28 July	Race 4	Passage Race to Kota Kinabalu
Friday 30 July	Race 5 & 6	Windward/Leeward Courses, Short Passage race

- 5.2 The Race Schedule for all other Classes will be

Day	Race Number	Course
Sunday 25 July	Race 1	Inshore Race
Monday 26 July	Race 2	Passage Race to Labuan
Wednesday 28 July	Race 3	Passage Race to Kota Kinabalu
Friday 30 July	Race 4 & 5	Inshore Races, Short Passage race

- 5.3 The scheduled time of the first Warning Signal for Race 1 is 0900
- 5.4 The scheduled time of the first Warning Signal for the Race to Labuan is 1000
- 5.5 The scheduled time of the first Warning Signal for all other races is 1100.
- 5.4 Warning signals will not be given after 1630 hours on any race day.

6. Class Flags

- 6.1 The following Numeral Pennants will serve as Class Flags
 - Numeral Pennant 1 IRC Racing Class
 - Numeral Pennant 2 Cruising Class A
 - Numeral Pennant 3 Cruising Class B
 - Numeral Pennant 4 Ocean Multihull Class
- 6.2 While racing a boat shall display the flag assigned to her class on her backstay. This does not apply to Multihulls

7. Racing Area

The Racing Area will be West Coast of Borneo

8. Courses

- 8.1. Courses to be sailed are listed in Appendix A.
- 8.2. The number of the course to be sailed will be signalled by numeral boards displayed with the Class Flag. The course number may be announced on VHF Channel 69 fifteen minutes before the warning signal.
- 8.3. No later than the Warning Signal, the Race Committee shall display the approximate compass bearing from the Signal Boat to the first mark.
- 8.4. When possible the Race Committee will broadcast on VHF Channel 69 the co-ordinates of the windward and wing marks

9. Marks

- 9.1. The marks of the courses will be inflatable buoys and navigation marks or buoys as described in Appendix A.
- 9.2. The approximate GPS position of the windward and wing marks, when laid, may be announced prior to the first warning signal each day.
- 9.3. A new mark, as provided for in SI 11, will be a red buoy.

10. Start

- 10.1. Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26.
- 10.2. All Classes will start at the same location.
- 10.3. The start for the Miri inshore races will be approximate 1nm from the Marina.
- 10.4. The start of the Miri to Labuan Passage Race will be off the Marina
- 10.5. The start of the Labuan to Kota Kinabalu Passage Race will be approximately 1.5 nm from the Marina
- 10.6. The start of the Kota Kinabalu inshore races will be south of Palau Mamutik at approximately N 05 57.5 E 116 00.7
- 10.7. The Starting Line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Signal Boat at the Starboard end, and the starting mark (ODM) at the Port end. If an Inner distance Mark (IDM) is laid, boats shall pass between the ODM and the IDM when approaching the line to start or starting.
- 10.8. Classes will start in the following order for the first race of each day.
 - IRC Racing Class
 - Cruising Class A
 - Cruising Class B
 - Ocean MultihullFor subsequent starts, classes may be started in any order. Information will be announced on VHF Channel 69
- 10.9. Boats not starting within 30 minutes of their Starting signal may be scored Did Not Start. This changes RRS A4 and A5.
- 10.10. Boats whose signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other classes.

11. Change of course after the Start (Inshore Races)

- 11.1. To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) 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.
- 11.2. When the course is changed, boats shall pass between the RC boat signalling the change and the nearby mark, leaving the RC boat to starboard.

12. The Finish

- 12.1 The finishing line for Inshore Races will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on the finishing Vessel at the Starboard end and the finishing mark at the Port end.
- 12.2 The finishing line for the Miri to Labuan Passage race will be between a yellow buoy at the Starboard end and an orange flag on a Committee Boat at the Port end, south of P. Rusukan Besar, as described in Appendix A
- 12.3 The finishing line for the Labuan to Kota Kinabalu Passage Race will be between an orange flag on a Committee Boat at the Starboard end and a yellow buoy at the Port End off Sutera Harbour Marina as described in Appendix A.
- 12.4 When within 2nm and approaching the finish of the Passage Races all boats should attempt to make contact with the Finish Line on VHF Channel 69 with their sail number and ETA.

13. Time Limits

- 13.1 The time limit for IRC Racing Class and Cruising Class A for races 1, 2, 5 and 6 is 2.5 hours
- 13.2 The time limit for all other classes for Race 4 is 2.5 hours
- 13.3 The time limit for all other classes for Races 1 and 5 is 1700 hours each day.
- 13.4 The Time Limit for the Passage Race from Miri to Labuan is 28 hrs.
- 13.5 The Time Limit for the Passage race from Labuan to Kota Kinabalu is 24 hrs
- 13.6 Boats finishing outside these limits will be scored "DNF" this changes RRS 35 and A4.

14. Protest and Requests for Redress

- 14.1 Protest Forms are available at the Race Office. Protests shall be delivered there within the Protest Time Limit, or as soon as the Race Office opens at 0800.
- 14.2 The protest Time Limit is 90 minutes after the last boat in the protesting boat's class finishes the last race schedules for the day. The same protest time applies to protests by the Race Committee and Protest Committee and to requests for redress. This changes RRS 61.3 and 62.2
- 14.3 Notices will be posted within 15 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 Committee Room beginning as soon as possible.
- 14.4 Sail Measurement Protests will only be accepted up to the end of the Protest Time of Race 1.
- 14.5 On the last day of the Regatta, a request to reopen a hearing shall be submitted
 - Within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day
 - No later than 30 minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day. This changes RRS 66.
- 14.6 Breaches of instructions 6.2, 10.6, 16.2 and 17.3 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1 (a).
- 14.7 Penalties for breaches of RRS may be less than disqualification if the Protest Committee so decides.

15. Scoring

- 15.1 For IRC Racing Class and Cruising Class A when fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores. When 5 or more races have been completed, a boats score will be the total of her race scores

- excluding her worst score in inshore races. Scores in Passage Races cannot be dropped.
- 15.2 For Cruising Classes and the Multihull Class each boat's total score will be the sum of her scores for all races. This changes RRS Appendix A2.

16. Safety Regulations and Scrutineering

- 16.1 At the time of registration, each skipper or his representative shall sign-in for the Regatta on the appropriate form.
- 16.2 All boats will be required to provide at least one cellphone number that shall be monitored during the Passage Races for emergency communications.
- 16.3 There will not be a mandatory scrutineering by the Organizing Committee, but all boats shall be liable for inspection before and during the Regatta, Owners shall ensure that a responsible member of the crew is present to assist in identifying all safety equipment.
- 16.4 Any boat failing to submit to inspection or which fails to comply, will be liable to disqualification from the Regatta, or to such other penalty, as the Protest Committee, at its discretion may prescribe.
- 16.5 During the Passage Races boats should attempt to contact the Race Committee with a position and status report on Channel 69 at 1830 and 0830 each day while racing. The accompanying mother ship will call all boats at these times.
- 16.6 Boats retiring from the Passage Race should make every effort to inform the Race Committee.

17. Radio Communications

- 17.1 All communication by radio with the Race Committee will be on marine VHF Channel 69.
- 17.2 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmission while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile phones, except on the passage race where they can be used for position and situation reporting to the Race Committee.
- 17.3 The raising and lowering of the Code Flag "AP" ashore will be broadcast on Channel 69.
- 17.4 A boat retiring from a race should at the earliest opportunity notify the Race Committee of this by hail, message or by VHF on Channel 69.

18. Prizes

- 18.1 Prizes will be awarded for the first 3 places in each class for the two passages races, combined placing in the Miri Bay races, and KK harbour races. Overall Trophies for first place in each class will be presented during the Awards Party.
- 18.2 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Committee.

19. Cruising Class Motoring on the Passage Race

- 19.1 Any boat in Cruising Class can elect to use their motor for propulsion during the Passage Race only, after 30 minutes following the start of the race.
- 19.2 Actual times of motoring (to the nearest second) and GPS position at the start and finishing of every motoring period shall be recorded and entered into the Declaration Form which shall be submitted within the Protest Time Limit or by 0800 if the Protest Time Limit is between 1900 and 0800.
- 19.3 For purposes of calculating results the time a boat has been motoring will be multiplied by 2.5 and this figure will then be added to her elapsed time.
- 19.4 A boat motoring for more than 20% of her elapsed time for the race will not be placed ahead of a boat that motors for less than 20% of her elapsed time.

- 19.5 In the event that a boat does not use its motor for propulsion during the race, a boat that motors will not be placed ahead of a boat that does not motor.

20. Disclaimer of Liability

- 20.1 Participants compete entirely at their own risk; see RRS4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Committee, Regatta volunteers, Regatta Sponsors and their representative, officers and members accept no liability whatsoever for any loss of life or property, personal injury and damage caused by, or arising out of the Regatta.
- 20.2 The term "Skipper" shall mean the person, whether or not the owner of the boat, who is designated on the Entry Form as the "Skipper". The Skipper shall be in charge of the boat during the Regatta and is responsible for the boat, its handling and safety, conduct of the crew before, during and after each race, and for compliance with the Sailing Instructions.

21. Insurance

Each competing boat shall be insured with the current policy for third party liability coverage of at least US\$ 50,000 or its equivalent.

Appendix A - Courses

Windward / Leeward Courses

All marks will be rounded to Port in the following order:

Course 2 Start, 1, 2, 1, Finish

Course 3 Start, 1, 2, 1, 2, 1, Finish

Long Triangle Courses

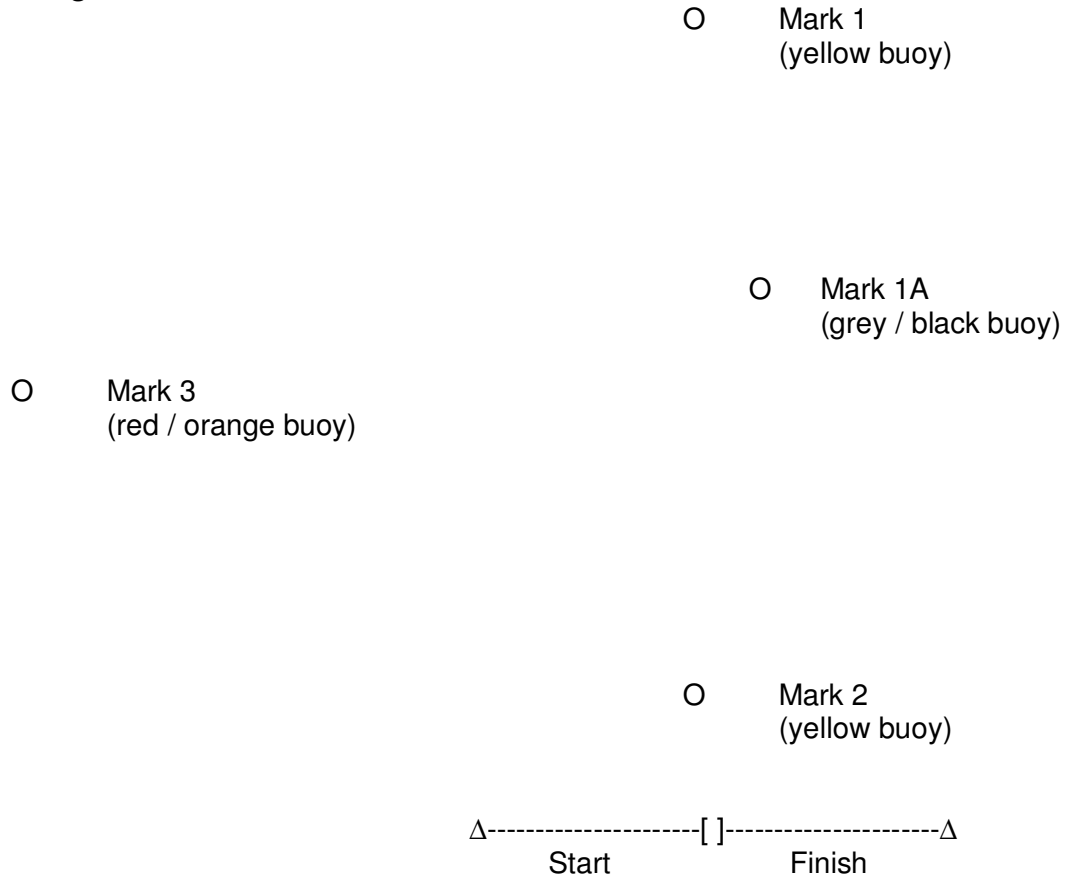
The Race Committee will endeavour to position Mark 3 between 95 and 105 degrees abeam of Mark 1A at approximately 2 to 2.5 nm

Marks will be rounded in the following order in the direction as indicated

Course 4 Start, 1A (P), 3 (P), 2 (P), 1A (P), Finish

Course 5 Start, 1A (P), 3 (P), 2 (P), 1A (P), 3 (P), 2 (P), 1A (P), Finish

Course Diagram



Marks

The Starting Mark will be a grey / black buoy

The Finishing Mark will be a red / orange buoy

Race Area off KYC to Sutera Harbour

Course 6 Start,
Windward Mark (S)
Pulau Sulug (S)
Pulau Manukan (S)
Finish off Sutera Harbour

Course 7 Start
Windward Mark (S)
Pulau Sulug (S)
Pulau Manukan (S)
Mark (S) Yellow Buoy at N 06° 00.3 E 116° 00.2
off Pulau Sinjataan
Finish off Sutera Harbour

Passage Race Courses

Miri to Labuan Passage Race

Start	N 04° 23.10 E 113° 57.50	Off Miri Marina
Baram W/P	N 04° 36.18 E 113° 54.26	A suggested waypoint (depth not guaranteed)
Finish South of P Rusukan Besar	N 05° 10.25 E 115° 08.00	Yellow Buoy to Starboard Finish Boat displaying an Orange Flag to Port

At night:

The Yellow Buoy displays a white continuously flashing light
The Finishing Boat will display a red light flashing once every 3 seconds

Labuan to Kota Kinabalu Passage Race

Start	N 05° 15.9 E 115° 16.5	Across main channel
Pulau Manukan	N 5° 58.73 E 116° 00.0	Round to Starboard
Finish	N 5° 58.54 E 116° 02.80	Yellow Buoy to Port Finish Boat displaying Orange Flag to Starboard

At night:

The yellow buoy will display a white light flashing continuously
The Finishing Boat will display a red light flashing continuously