



# MONKSTOWN BAY SAILING CLUB

3. de Vesci Place, Monkstown, Co. Cork.

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## Class 2 October League 2009 – Sailing Instructions

These sailing instructions are intended for use in Class 2 racing for October 2009. With the exception of Optimists, all Class 2 dinghies are eligible to compete under this format. The Optimist October League 2009 is described in separate sailing instructions.

### 1. Format of Races.

The Class 2 October League will be a timed series using Portsmouth Yardstick (PY) handicaps. This means that dinghies will start at the same time. After the finish, PYs will be applied to determine a winner.

If you are unsure how this system works, please use the contact details at the bottom of this notice.

### 2. Entry Fee.

The entry fee is €10 per boat.

### 3. Notices to competitors & Briefing

Notices to competitors will be posted on the notice board at the Club Hut and on [www.mbsc.ie](http://www.mbsc.ie).

Briefing will be at 14:30 at the top of the disabled sailing slipway. Sailors should be rigged and changed in time for this briefing.

### 4. Schedule of Races

There will be 2 races per Saturday.

The first gun (FG) on each Saturday will be at 15:00.

### 5. Starting Sequence

The starting sequence signal will be 5, 4, 1, go.

The warning signal will be code flag F and the preparatory signal will be code flag P.

Your OD will show you these flags at the Briefing.

### 6. Courses and Racing Area

Courses will be set by the Office of the Day (OD) before the start of the first race. The OD will display the course on a blackboard before the warning signal for each class.

The racing area will be between the Sandquay and Monkstown Creek.

## **7. Marks**

Turning marks may be temporary laid marks, or mooring buoys.

## **8. The Start**

The starting line will be between the flagstaff on the Committee boat and the starting mark as advised by the OD.

A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored "Did Not Start".

## **9. The Finish**

The finishing line will be the course side of the line between the flagstaff on the Committee boat displaying a blue flag and the finishing mark.

The OD may also finish a race on the Club Line (between the mast on the Sand Quay).

## **10. Time Limits**

Boats failing to finish within 10 minutes after the first boat will be scored "Did Not Finish".

This is to allow the OD to follow the schedule of 2 races per day, and to ensure that all racing is completed within a reasonable amount of time.

## **11. Safety**

Competitors shall wear adequate personal buoyancy at all times when afloat.

All competitors should keep clear of safety boats.

A boat that retires from a race should notify the OD or a rescue boat.

## **12. Sail Numbers**

All boats should have sail numbers declared at registration.

## **13. Prizes**

Results will be posted in the clubhouse as soon as possible after racing each week.

There will also be overall prizes for the top 3 places in the league overall.

Any class with more than 5 boats will also be awarded class prizes.

## **14. Contact**

If you have any questions, please contact Ronan on 086 3115930 or at [mbscsailing@gmail.com](mailto:mbscsailing@gmail.com)