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**Virtual
Regatta**

RAFYC Spring eSeries 2021

(using Virtual Regatta (VR))

Combined Notice of Race and eSailing Instructions

1. General

- 1.1. Competitors shall be registered as a user with the game [Virtual Regatta Inshore](#).
- 1.2. By registering to enter the racing, Competitors accept [Virtual Regatta's Terms and Conditions](#) as well as the rules and terms of engagement set out in this document.
- 1.3. The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the 22nd January 2019 version of [The Virtual Racing Rules of Sailing \(VRRS\)](#).
- 1.4. If a player behaves in a way that contradicts the rules and terms of engagement set out in this document, or those set out in Virtual Regatta's Terms and Conditions, RAFYC and Virtual Regatta have the right to disqualify the player from the Series.
- 1.5. Individual players are not allowed more than one profile within the game and are not allowed to be registered to the Series more than once. Players found to have more than one profile will be disqualified.

2. Fees & Entry

- 2.1. Entry is open to members of the RAFYC only
- 2.2. Entry is free

3. Communications

- 3.1. Notices to Competitors will be posted on the Club website.
- 3.2. Any amendments to Sailing Instructions will be posted on the club website before 0900 on the day it will take effect; and e-mailed to competitors.
- 3.3. Communication during racing will be via Zoom video conferencing, details and access codes will be issued by the race committee
- 3.4. Failure to receive any communication will not be grounds for redress.
- 3.5. If you are playing on a phone ensure the phone is in airplane mode and do not disturb to avoid any phone calls coming through during the game and kicking you out.

4. Safety

- 4.1. No drinks shall be permitted within 2 metres of a competitor's keyboard

5. Classes and Handicaps

- 5.1. All races will sail as a one design class with no handicaps.
- 5.2. The race committee may vary the choice of boat to be used.
- 5.3. Where entries exceed 20 for the eSailing Series, the entries will be split and randomly assigned to groups.

6. Schedule of Races & Start Times

- 6.1. The schedule of races and discards is as follows:

Date	No. of Races	Discards	First Start
16/02/21	6	1	19:00
23/02/21	6	1	19:00
02/03/21	6	1	19:00
09/03/21	6	1	19:00
16/03/21	6	1	19:00
23/03/21	6	1	19:00

- 6.2. The Zoom Conference call will start at 10 mins before the first start, when the Virtual Regatta Access Code will be announced.
- 6.3. Subsequent races will be started as soon as possible after the finish of the previous race, the Virtual Regatta Access Code will be announced via Zoom.
- 6.4. The winner overall will be awarded a prize to be determined

7. The Start

- 7.1. Races shall be started by using timer provided by VR in the user interface
- 7.2. There is no redress from dropping out or failing to connect to a race for any reason.

8. Courses

- 8.1. The course will be 'Upwind Medium' – a 2 lap windward / leeward course with an offset mark and a downwind finish. (See attached diagram)
- 8.2. The course will be displayed to competitors within Virtual Regatta before the race start.

8.3 The race committee may vary the choice of venue to be used.

9. Protests & Penalties

9.1. There is no option for protesting against other boats, the committee and / or any other involved party, other than decided by Virtual Regatta judges during the race.

9.2. The judging and arbitration during the competition lies completely in the hands of Virtual Regatta and therefore is no ground for protest or redress.

10. Scoring & Results

10.1. The Low Points Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply.

10.2. Ties will be broken in accordance with RRS A8.

10.3. Individual race results will be displayed briefly at the end of every race.

10.4. Series results will be posted on the RAFYC club website: rafyc.org.uk/spring-eseries/

11 Further Information

Website: www.rafyc.co.uk

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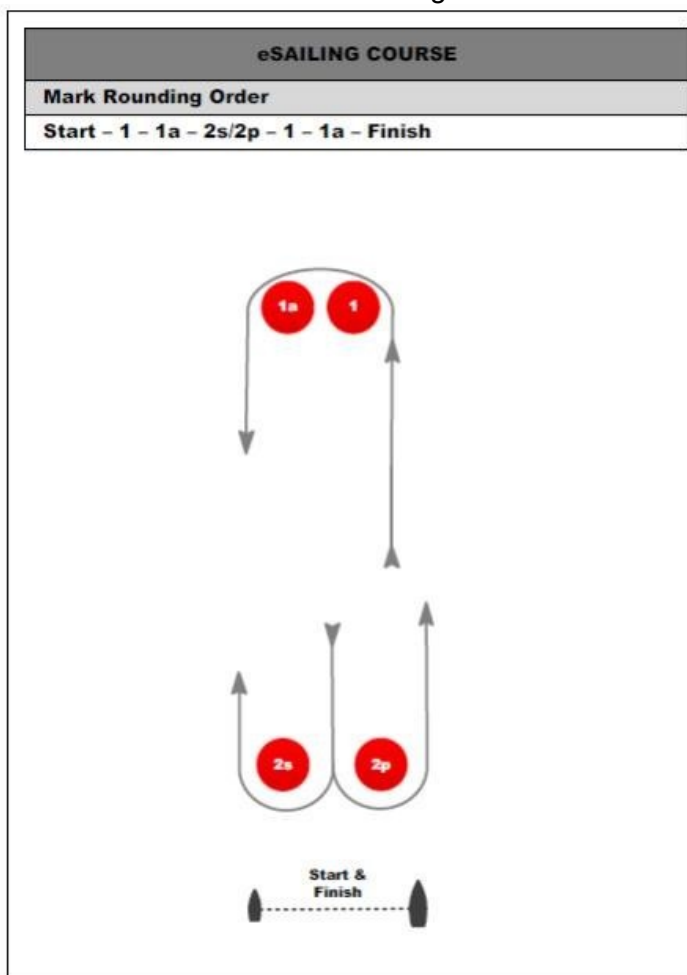
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For more information on how to use Virtual Regatta:

<https://www.rya.org.uk/Pages/virtualregatta.aspx>

12 DISCLAIMER

12.1 The usage of the 'VR Inshore' app or website virtualregatta.com is at the competitor's own risk. The organizing authority is not responsible for the running and/or downtime of the applications.



Boats
Star
FarEast 28
Offshore Racer

Venues
Cowes GB
Portsmouth GB
La Trinite sur Mer, France
Palma de Mallorca, Spain