



Llandegfedd Sailing Club

P&B Solo Welsh Championship 2026

23rd – 24th May 2026



Sailing Instructions

1. RULES
 - 1.1. The event is governed by the Rules as defined in The 2025-2028 Racing Rules of Sailing.
 - 1.2. Competitors should note the OA implements the RYA Racing Charter and sailors will be required to sail in compliance with the Charter which can be found at the front of the RYA rule book or at [Racing Charter](#)
2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS
 - 2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board (ONB) located downstairs in the Watersports Centre.
3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
 - 3.1. Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted on the Official Noticeboard at least 30 minutes before the fleet is launched for the races in which they take effect.
4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE
 - 4.1. Visual signals are not normally made ashore at the venue as the flag staff is not always visible from the launching area. Signals or decisions made ashore will be communicated verbally at the slipways, sailor briefing or via the ONB.
5. CODE OF CONDUCT
 - 5.1. Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.
6. SCHEDULE OF RACES
 - 6.1. A maximum of six races are scheduled.
 - 6.2. The scheduled time for the first warning signal on Saturday is 12:25, and on Sunday 10:25.
 - 6.3. The expectation is three races back to back each day but the race officer may elect to run four of the six races on a given day due to actual or forecast weather conditions.
7. CLASS FLAGS
 - 7.1. The class flag will be the Solo class flag - code flag Numeral 1
8. RACING AREAS
 - 8.1. The racing area will be described at the sailor briefing.
 - 8.2. The racing areas will also be defined by the Dwr Cymru Welsh Water (DCWW) exclusion zones (see Addendum A).

9. THE COURSES
 - 9.1. The course to be sailed will be indicated on the course board attached to the gunwale of the Committee Boat no later than the warning signal.
 - 9.2. The marks of the course, the order in which they are to be rounded, their required side and the number of laps will be shown on the course board.
 - 9.3. The marks to be rounded to port will be indicated on a red background and the marks to be rounded to starboard will be indicated on a green background
 - 9.4. Boats shall sail through the start/finish line on each lap on the upwind leg.

10. MARKS
 - 10.1. Course marks may be large yellow inflatable buoys, yellow pillar marks, round pink plastic buoys marked "X" or "Y", or fixed buoys on which flags will be flown.
 - 10.2. The start and finishing mark will be a dan buoy flying an orange flag.

11. THE START
 - 11.1. Races will be started in accordance with Rule 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.
 - 11.2. The start line will be between the mast on the committee boat and a dan buoy with an orange flag.
 - 11.3. Postponements will normally be confirmed by flying the AP but the race officer may, at his discretion, delay a start for up to 5 minutes without flying AP
 - 11.4. The Race Officer will decide if a race goes ahead taking into account the wind forecast, the observed wind and other factors. His decision will be final.

12. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE
 - 12.1. To change the next leg of the course the race committee (or assigned RIB) will move the original mark or the finishing line to a new position and will alert competitors using code flag "C" and the appropriate symbols.

13. THE FINISH
 - 13.1. The finishing line will be between the mast on the committee boat and a dan buoy with an orange flag.
 - 13.2. Boats shall be finished when they cross the start finish line having completed the displayed number of laps unless the race is shortened. If the race is shortened the race committee shall display Flag S with two sounds. All boats will then finish the next time they cross the start finish line having completed the lap they are on. Where this results in splitting the fleet boats that have completed less laps will be given a finishing position equal to their position within the fleet when they were finished.
 - 13.3. In exceptional circumstances a substitute finish line between a staff on a safety boat and a mark of the course will be utilised. In this case Flag S will be flown from the staff. Similarly back markers may be 'whiskeyed' using Flag W and/or a whistle/hail by a nominated safety boat and will be deemed to have finished

14. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES
 - 14.1. The target race time is around 45 minutes for the leading boat.
 - 14.2. There are no other time limits.

15. POST-RACE PENALTIES, ADVISORY HEARINGS & ARBITRATION
 - 15.1. The Post Race Penalty, Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules Disputes procedures shall apply. The outcome of an RYA Arbitration can be referred to a protest committee, but an arbitration cannot be reopened or appealed.

16. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS
 - 16.1. Competitors intending to protest shall notify the committee boat of their intention immediately after finishing or as soon as is reasonably practical.
 - 16.2. Protest forms are available downstairs in the Watersports Centre.
 - 16.3. Protests / requests for redress shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
 - 16.4. The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the last boat has come ashore and this will be displayed on the ONB as soon as possible.

17. SCORING SYSTEM
 - 17.1. The event will be scored using Appendix A Low point scoring system.
 - 17.2. One race shall constitute a championship.
 - 17.3. Your event score will be the total of your race scores with the worst score discarded if 4 or more races have been completed..
 - 17.4. To request correction of an alleged error in the results, speak to a member of the race management team.

18. SAFETY REGULATIONS
 - 18.1. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee or safety boat at the first reasonable opportunity.
 - 18.2. Buoyancy aids to be worn at all times whilst on the water.
 - 18.3. Competitors are responsible for deciding if they are suitably experienced to sail in the prevailing conditions.

19. TRASH DISPOSAL & OTHER PERSONAL EQUIPMENT
 - 19.1. Trash and any personal kit, clothing, dry-bags or surplus items may be placed aboard any of the safety / support RIBs.

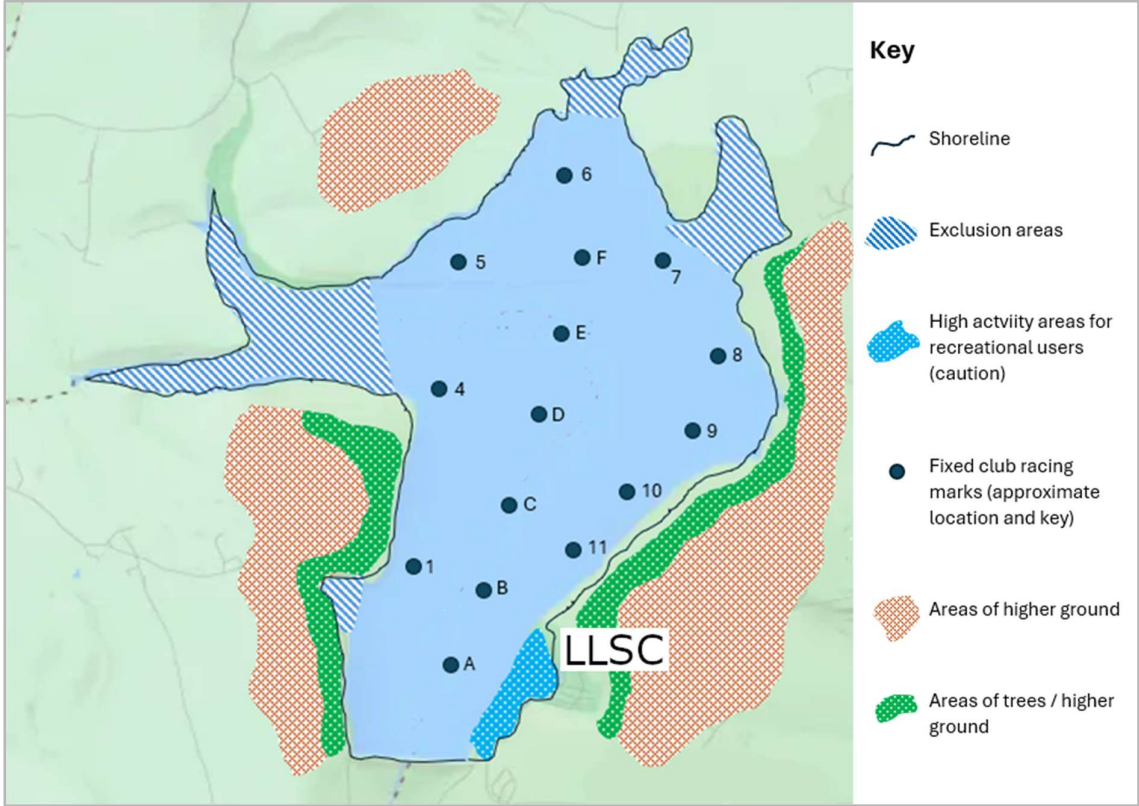
20. PRIZES
 - 20.1. Prizes will be awarded throughout the fleet at the discretion of the OA.

Addendum A:

Sailing area and DCWW exclusion zones

The plan below shows the approximate position of the club's fixed marks, exclusion zones and topographic features. The dam, water tower, cages and weather station (not indicated on the map below) are also exclusion zones and should be regarded as obstructions.

Racing will not be set so that it is necessary to sail near or within any of these DCWW exclusion areas.



Addendum B:

Site Plan

When you get to the reservoir, drive up to the barrier at the café / Welsh Water (DCWW) building. The keypad is on the right side (code 1204).






Continue along the road to the dinghy park over the speed bumps, un-hitch boats and move them down to the dinghy park area, grassy areas, and shoreline. Overspill rigging area is to move up into the berths of the dinghy park.

Park cars in any of the available marked parking areas (shown in blue on the plan below).

A parking fee applies (£3 a day): Pay at the machine near the café or the watersport centre. The first hour is free.

NOTE: The site has public access right through the dinghy park and rigging area. Be mindful of non-sailors, dog-walkers, families etc when rigging. The site will have club members ashore all day in this area and it's rare to experience any problems but nevertheless please always account for your valuables.

Key

-  Vehicle access
-  Trailer unhitch / boat drop off (please don't take vehicles down into the dinghy park area.)
-  Parking areas (pay at the machine by the watersports centre)
-  Watersports centre (event registration and briefings upstairs)
-  Boat rigging area

