

London 2012 Paralympic Sailing competition

Competition Area Regulations

1. General requirements

- 1.1. These Competition Area Regulations (CAR) shall apply from 22 August until 6 September 2012.
- 1.2. They apply to all accredited personnel, including athletes, coaches, team leaders, race officials, media representatives and Paralympic Family and International Association for Disabled Sailing spectators.
- 1.3. The London 2012 Paralympic Sailing competition Sailing Instructions (SIs) and supporting documents on penalties clarify the CAR obligations where penalties will be applied. These are referenced by [SP] (standard penalty) or [DP] (discretionary penalty) in this document.
- 1.4. All Paralympic traffic shall remain within the Competition Area whilst on the water during the period from 22 August to 6 September 2012 inclusive. No part of any boat shall cross the boundary of the Competition Area. [SP][DP] -

2. Competition Area definition

- 2.1. The diagram in Attachment 1 illustrates the Competition Area.
- 2.2. The Course Area is within the Competition Area and is also shown in Attachment 1.
- 2.3. There is a crossing point or Gate:
 - Portland Marina Gate: The four corners of the Gate between the Venue marina and the Portland Harbour Course Area are defined by 2.5m high white tetrahedron buoys.
- 2.4. The boundary of the Competition Area is defined by:
 - white 1m high cylindrical buoys, spaced between 50m and 100m, on the Portland Harbour course;
 - orange fish farm buoys on the inside of the breakwaters on the northern boundary of the Harbour course.

3. Competition Area – Restrictions during competition (31 August – 6 September 2012)

- 3.1. Only registered athlete boats, coach boats, Race Official boats and accredited personnel (collectively known as Paralympic traffic) are allowed in the Competition Area from 31 August to 6 September 2012.
- 3.2. Paralympic traffic may only cross from the marina to the Harbour Course Area at the defined Portland Marina Gate crossing point. [SP]
 - 3.2.1. Paralympic traffic may only enter the Gate when it has been closed to non-Paralympic traffic. This will be done by a marshal at the crossing point flying a red flag.

- 3.2.2. If the Gate is open to non-Paralympic traffic, indicated by the marshal flying a green flag, Paralympic traffic must not enter the Gate area.
- 3.2.3. When the Gate is closed to Paralympic traffic, the boundary of the Competition Area is then defined by the two nearest marks of the Gate. There is no access route between the Competition Area and the Venue when the Gate is closed to Paralympic traffic.
- 3.2.4. Exceptionally, and only when directed and accompanied by a marshal, Paralympic boats may transit the Gate when a green flag is flying.
- 3.3. If any part of a boat crosses the Competition Area boundary, it will be deemed to have left the exclusion zone and both the boat and anyone on board may be subject to security quarantine and search before being permitted back into the Venue. [SP][DP]

4. Competition Area – restrictions during pre-competition training (22–30 August 2012)

- 4.1. Paralympic traffic may only cross from the Venue to the Harbour Course Area at the defined Portland Marina Gate crossing point. [SP]
 - 4.1.1. Paralympic traffic may enter the Gate at any time during this period, and the Gates will be considered to be within the Competition Area at all times. A flag system will not be in operation.
- 4.2. The Competition Area will not be closed to non-Paralympic traffic in this period.
 - 4.2.1. All accredited athletes going afloat shall display numbers on both sides of the hull. These will be supplied by the Organising Authority and will be available from the Sport Information Desk.
 - 4.2.2. All accredited coach boats shall display their National Paralympic Committee (NPC) code and allocated numbers as specified in the Coach Boat Regulations (CBR).
 - 4.2.3. Non-accredited coach boats or sailing boats may not enter the Weymouth and Portland Sailing Venue but may be launched elsewhere. They may enter the Competition Area and engage with Paralympic traffic.
 - 4.2.4. Any non-Paralympic traffic that enters the Competition Area may be subject to a search by security personnel.

5. Security awareness

- 5.1. All boats have a security responsibility. In the event of observing anything suspicious, particularly an incursion into the Competition Area by a non-accredited vessel or person on competition days, immediately notify Race Control either directly or through a nearby Race Official boat.
- 5.2. The report should cover where possible:
 - a brief description of the potential threat;

- the location where it has been observed;
- if the object is moving, the direction and speed of travel; and
- any other material information.

Attachment 1: Course Area

