

# WORLD PILOT GIG CHAMPIONSHIPS

## Racing Code of Practice

1. ALL GIGS MUST CARRY A WORKING HAND-HELD PORTABLE VHF RADIO SET ON CHANNEL 8.
2. FOR ANY CREW TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, OR 4<sup>th</sup> PLACES THEY MUST HAVE THE SAME SIX ROWERS AND COXSWAIN FOR ALL CHAMPIONSHIP RACES.
3. ALL CREW MEMBERS MUST BE 16 AND OVER. ALL COXSWAINS TO BE OVER 18 YEARS OF AGE.
4. ALL COXWAINS ARE EXPECTED TO OBSERVE GOOD SEAMANSHIP AT ALL TIMES.
5. ANY GIG NOT ON THE START LINE AT ITS ALLOTTED START TIME COULD BE DISQUALIFIED, AT THE DISCRETION OF THE START MARSHAL.
6. ANY GIG FAILING TO OBEY THE START MARSHAL'S ORDERS WILL BE GIVEN A FINAL WARNING AND DISQUALIFICATION WILL TAKE PLACE IF THIS IS IGNORED.
7. STARTING BERTHS ON THE ST AGNES RACE WILL BE IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER.
8. ANY GIG TOUCHING A SAFETY BOAT WILL BE LIABLE TO DISQUALIFICATION.
9. ALL BOATS MUST STEER A PROPER COURSE. ANY ZIGZAGGING TO BLOCK ANOTHER BOAT WILL RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION.
10. ALL GIGS MUST STAY OUTSIDE THE YELLOW BUOYS ALONG THE ST. MARY'S SHORE ON THE ST. AGNES RACE.
11. IN THE EVENT OF A COLLISION ALL CREWS SHOULD MAKE EVERY ATTEMPT TO DISENGAGE. SPINNING A GIG OR TAKING OFF THE YOKE WILL BOTH RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION.
12. ALL GIGS MUST FINISH BETWEEN THE TWO FINISH BUOYS. GIGS NEAREST THE BUOYS MUST BE GIVEN WATER. ANY GIG FINISHING OUTSIDE THE BUOYS MAY BE DISQUALIFIED.
13. ANY GIG NOT COMPLETING A RACE WILL NOT BE PLACED IN THE CHAMPIONSHIP.
14. IN THE EVENT OF A SERIOUS SAFETY INCIDENT THE RACE MAY BE STOPPED BY THE RELEASE OF FLARES.

N.B. ALL DECISIONS MADE BY RACE STEWARDS OF THE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP COMMITTEE WILL BE FINAL.

**Please note:** Any further additions or amendments will be announced at the Coxswains Meeting, Friday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2010.