

North Herts & East Beds Sailing Club - Class Handicap Data 2019

North Herts & East Beds Sailing Club uses the RYA guideline Portsmouth Numbers except where the Sailing Committee considers there is justification to apply a different Portsmouth Number.

The Sailing Committee has reviewed the racing results over the last 2 years and has agreed the following changes from the RYA guideline Portsmouth Numbers for 2019:

CLASS	PN (as from 31/3/2019)	Change from 2018
Argo (No Spin and Spin)***	1175	0
Buzz	1055	0
Laser 4.7 – adult experienced helm windy day	1170	0
Laser 4.7 – target youth helm (RYA) *	1207	RYA
Laser Radial	1144	-3
Laser	1096	0
Phantom **	1050	0
Solo	1137	0

* Included for clarity. Laser 4.7 only changed from RYA guideline for adult experienced helm who choose to sail a Laser 4.7 on a windy day when they otherwise sail a Standard Laser or Laser Radial. These helms are not the regular Laser 4.7 helms for whom the RYA guidelines are recommended.

** Retains an older handicap which was applicable before design and build changes resulted in a faster boat. Current Phantom raced by a club member is of the older design/build for which the older RYA handicap is applicable. If a new design/build Phantom is raced it shall use the latest RYA recommended handicap.

*** Spinnaker not considered to offer a significant advantage when sailed at the Blue Lagoon. RYA have not yet published a guideline Portsmouth Numbers for this class. Overall handicap chosen is significantly different from manufacturer's advice, but is intended to provide helms who are less experienced with a reasonable chance of being competitive against other classes sailed on the Blue Lagoon.