



ROYAL YACHT SQUADRON RACING MEMBER'S REGATTA

14 – 16th JUNE 2019
COWES

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY:
ROYAL YACHT SQUADRON RACING LTD

NOTICE OF RACE

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the Notice of Race means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the Protest Committee, be less than disqualification.

(Amended 28/03/2019)

1. RULES

- 1.1 Racing will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations for Inshore Racing (Appendix B) will apply.
- 1.3 Parts A, B and C of the IRC Rules shall apply.
- 1.4 Class Rules as appropriate.
- 1.5 The byelaws for the Port of Southampton, Portsmouth Harbour and Cowes Harbour.
- 1.6 IRC Rule 22.4 will not apply. There are no limits on the number of crew or the total crew weight that may race aboard a boat.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Advertising is permitted in accordance with Class Rules and World Sailing Regulation 20. [DP]
- 2.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority. [DP]

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The Regatta is open to Classic, IRC, One Design, Day Boats and Cruiser Classes owned, part owned or chartered by RYSR Members.
- 3.2 All boats shall be helmed whilst racing by the owner/part owner/charterer who shall be a current RYSR Member.
- 3.3 Subject to entries received, it is the Organizing Authority's intention to sub-divide entered boats into two Groups (Black Group and White Group) as well as multiple Classes within each Group.
- 3.4 The Organizing Authority may also sub-divide classes into spinnaker and non-spinnaker groups. Further details will be published in the Sailing Instructions.

- 3.5 Entry Forms, available from the RYS website, should be completed and returned to the RYS Office **by 1 June 2019**.

4. FEES

- 4.1 The Entry Fee, excluding berthing, will be £16 per metre per boat. The entry fee will include admission to the prizegiving ceremony for all competitors.
- 4.2 Berthing for boats staying in Cowes Yacht Haven (CYH) from Thursday afternoon until Monday morning has been arranged at approximately £12.50 per metre (LH).

5. SCHEDULE OF RACING

- 5.1 The intended racing programme is shown in the table below. All times are UTC plus 1 hour (British Summer Time).
- 5.2 The Race Committee may alter the schedule of races to cater for adverse weather conditions.
- 5.3 Schedule.

Date	Event	Time
Fri 14 June HW Portsmouth 1000 - 4.3m	Skippers Briefing*	0900 – Pavilion
	Race 1	1055 1st Warning Signal
	Race 2	Warning Signal ASAP after Race 1
Sat 15 June HWP 1050 - 4.4m	Race 3	1055 1st Warning Signal
	Race 4	Warning Signal ASAP after Race 3
Sun 16 June HWP 1150 - 4.4m	Race 5	1055 1 st Warning Signal
	Race 6	Warning Signal ASAP after Race 5
	Prizegiving	ASAP after Racing

* Attendance voluntary

6. MEASUREMENT

- 6.1 All boats racing in IRC Classes shall have a current Spinlock IRC rating which can be obtained from the RORC Rating Office. A copy of the Spinlock IRC Rating Certificate shall accompany the entry form or be presented at the Race Office before the first warning signal.
- 6.2 All boats racing in One-Design Classes shall comply with their Class Rules.
- 6.3 All boats in the Cruiser Class(s) will be scored using the RYA National Handicap for Cruisers (NHC).

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1 Sailing Instructions will be available on the RYS website by 1 June.

8. VENUE

- 8.1 The venue for the Regatta will be the Solent and the Official Notice Board will be at the Royal Yacht Squadron.

9. COURSES

- 9.1 The courses to be sailed may use a combination of temporary laid inflatable marks, fixed racing marks and navigation marks. A list of available marks using the Solent Two Character Codes will be included with the Sailing Instructions.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 10.1 Boats that may have broken a rule of Part 2 while racing or that have broken RRS 31 shall take a Scoring Penalty instead of a One or Two Turns Penalty. The Scoring Penalty will be to add 2% of her elapsed time to her elapsed time, rounding the increased time to the nearest second. For example, the value 23.5 gets rounded to 24. This changes RRS 44.3.
- 10.2 Boats in the White Group should note that RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

11. SCORING AND PRIZES

- 11.1 Low points scoring system will apply to all classes.
- 11.2 An overall points series will be run and prizes awarded to boats in each class.
- 11.3 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 11.4 When one to four races (1-4) have been completed, a boats series score shall be the total of all her race scores. When five (5) or more races have been completed a boats series score shall be the total of her scores excluding her worst score.
- 11.5 There will also be Regatta Trophies awarded to the boats with the lowest points based on a weighted points system.

12. BERTHING

- 12.1 Berthing in the RYS Yacht Haven is limited and may be allocated by ballot.
- 12.2 Berthing has also been reserved in Cowes Yacht Haven (from the afternoon of Thursday 13 June to the morning of Monday 17 June).
- 12.3 Boats with draft over 3.5 metres should contact the RYS Office and alternative berthing arrangements will be made.

13. HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 13.1 Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the Race Committee. *[DP]*

14. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

- 14.1 Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around competing boats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the Regatta. *[DP]*

15. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 15.1 All boats shall carry a Marine Band VHF Radio capable of receiving/transmitting on standard international channels.
- 15.2 The Race Committee intends to broadcast race information and course information on VHF CH 05. Marine Band VHF Radios can only receive on CH 05 but not transmit and

therefore competitors wishing to communicate with the Race Committee shall do so on VHF CH 77. *[DP]*

16. MEDIA

Competitors shall grant to the Organizing Authority, without payment, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television of or relating to the event.

17. PRIVACY

Royal Yacht Squadron Racing Limited, operating in compliance with the General Data Protection Regulations 2018 (GDPR), will use information provided by competitors for the purposes of RYS and RYSR event management only. This data will be held in compliance with the GDPR and will not be shared with any third parties or used for marketing purposes other than contacting competitors by email, post, SMS and telephone with information regarding this event or future events. Competitors will be required to provide their specific consent to this on their entry form.

18. RISK STATEMENT

- 18.1 Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."
- 18.2 Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:
- (a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
 - (b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
 - (c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
 - (d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
 - (e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats, and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
 - (f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
 - (g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event;
 - (h) They are responsible for ensuring that their boat is equipped and seaworthy so as to be able to face extremes of weather; that there is a crew sufficient in number, experience and fitness to withstand such weather; and that the safety equipment is properly maintained, stowed and in date and is familiar to the crew.

19. INSPECTIONS

The fact that race officials may conduct inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this Notice of Race.

20. INSURANCE

All entrants shall be covered by a minimum Third-Party Liability indemnity of £3 million and declare that such cover will be maintained in full force throughout the event.

21. FURTHER INFORMATION

21.1 Further information including social arrangements will be available on the RYS website when available.

END OF NOTICE OF RACE.