

ROYAL YACHT SQUADRON vs ANNAPOLIS YACHT CLUB 26-28 JUNE 2020

NOTICE OF RACE

Organizing Authority: Royal Yacht Squadron

Notation [DP]

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the NoR means that the penalty for that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1. RULES

The Regatta will be governed by:

- 1.1. The Rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), including Appendix D, Team Racing. The Sailing Instructions (SIs) will describe changes to the Rules.
- 1.2. All races will be umpired.
- 1.3. RRS 16.2 is changed to: "In addition, on a beat to windward when a *port-tack* boat is keeping clear by sailing to pass to leeward of a *starboard-tack* boat, the *starboard-tack* boat shall not bear away if as a result the *port-tack* boat must change course immediately to continue *keeping clear*."

2. ADVERTISING

2.1. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority (OA). If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies. [DP]

3. ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1. Each team member shall be a member, a spouse or dependant of a member of the Club, or a participant in the Club Academy, which they represent.
- 3.2. Each team member shall be at least 18 years of age.
- 3.3. Each team member shall have a current World Sailing Group 1 Sailor Classification.

4. TEAMS

- 4.1. Each Team shall consist of three helms and crew for three boats, a total of twelve persons.
- 4.2. Each Team shall have a minimum of three males and three females.
- 4.3. Substitutions will not be permitted without prior approval of the Race Committee.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACING

- 5.1. J70-type boats will be provided by the OA. Spinnakers will not be used. Standing rigging shall not be adjusted, except by direction of the OA.
- 5.2. The format of racing will be three-boat team racing,
- 5.3. The Course will be a square windward leeward course with an upwind finish, which will be depicted in the SIs.
- 5.4. The Mandatory Initial Briefing, to which all team members shall attend, will be given at 19:00 BST in West Wight.
- 5.5. No Warning Signal will be made after 14:30 BST on the last day.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.1. Copies of the SIs will be available online at www.rys.org.uk one month before the event, and at the Mandatory Initial Briefing.
- 6.2. Changes to the RRS will be listed in the SIs Addendum C.

7. VENUE

7.1. The intended Race Area will be in East Osborne Bay, The Solent.

8. SCORING SYSTEM

8.1. Event Scoring will be in accordance with RRS Appendix D.

9. UMPIRING

9.1. It is the intention for the Regatta to be umpired in accordance with RRS Appendix D, as modified by the SIs.

10. PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICE

- 10.1. Personal Flotation Device (PFD) will be provided. A PFD shall be worn at all times while afloat, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. This changes RRS 40.
- 10.2. Bibs provided by the OA, or supplied by the Team, shall be worn over PFDs while racing. [DP]

11. PRIZES

- 11.1. Prizes may be awarded.
- 11.2. The Prizegiving will take place immediately after racing on Sunday 28 June 2020.

12. DAMAGE DEPOSIT

- 12.1. Each helm shall be liable for the first GBP 750 of any damage or loss caused by their actions for any one incident. Each competing helm shall provide a Damage Deposit of GBP 750 prior to the start of racing by providing credit card details at Registration.
- 12.2. In the event that damage is caused by a helm during the Regatta, RYS will charge the credit card with the sum of GBP 750, or such portion thereof as represents the cost of repairing the said damage. In the event of further incidents by that helm, the RYS will charge the same credit card with the sum of GBP 750 for each incident. In the event that the sum of GBP 750 per boat or any part thereof is returned to RYS by the insurers, RYS will refund that sum to the helm.
- 12.3. While RYS Staff will attempt to identify all damage at the post-regatta inspection, often this is not possible due to the nature of the damage. The helm is responsible for all damage, even if it is discovered only after the post-regatta report is completed and signed. In the event that there is material damage not covered by insurance, and no one acknowledges responsibility (eg crews are rotated among the boats and no one reports the damage), the cost of repairs will be charged to all the helms who sailed that boat, on a pro-rata basis.

13. RISK STATEMENT

- 13.1. 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." Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of Risk.
- 13.2. 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 if any, and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
 - (f) The provision of patrol boat cover if any is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can practically be 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.

NOTICE OF RACE ENDS

SOCIAL PROGRAMME

Thursday 25 June	Sailing practice available. Mandatory Initial Briefing for all in West Wight at 19:00 BST Supper in West Wight. Dress: Smart Casual.
Friday 26 June	Supper in West Wight. Dress: Smart Casual.
Saturday 27 June	Dinner in RYS. Dress: Jacket and Tie.
Sunday 28 June	Prizegiving – No later than 15:30 BST. Dress: Yachting.