



**INTER-SERVICE MATCH RACING  
17 - 18 JUNE 2021**

**ORGANISING AUTHORITY:  
ROYAL YACHT SQUADRON**

**CO-ORDINATING AUTHORITY:  
ROYAL NAVAL SAILING ASSOCIATION**

**NOTICE OF RACE**

**1. RULES**

The Regatta will be governed by:

1.1. The "rules" as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing 2021 - 2024 (RRS), including Appendix C, Match Racing Rules.

1.2. J70 Rules Class will not apply.

1.3. All races will be umpired.

1.4. RRS Appendix C may be changed. Full details will be contained in the SI.

**2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

2.1. Each Service shall put forward of two teams of four persons per boat. Teams may consist of members of the Service that they are representing all of whom shall have a valid MOD Form 90 to qualify.

2.2. The J70s to be sailed and the sails to be used, to include symmetrical spinnakers, will be provided by the Organizing Authority, and allocated by the Race Committee.

2.3. To remain eligible, each crew of shall complete registration, and lodge the Sailing Agreement. All Skippers shall sign the Disclaimer before going to sea.

**3. ENTRY FEES**

3.1. The Army & RAF teams are each requested to forward a cheque for the sum of £1000 to the RNSA.

#### 4. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

4.1. The schedule of events is as follows:

Serial	Time	Item	Remarks
Wednesday 16 June 2021			
1	1800	Boat Transfer from HMNB Portsmouth.	30 pax. From Fleet Landings, HMNB Portsmouth to Trinity Landing, Cowes
3	2030	Collect Scout Hut key for Team Accommodation	Poc for Scout Hut: Liz Banks
5	O/C	Informal social in Cowes	
Thursday 17 June 2021			
1	0830	First Day Brief	Sugar Store, Shepards Wharf. Race Officer, Umpires. Opportunity to discuss match racing techniques.
3	0900	Boat allocation.	Shepards Wharf
5	0930	Commence sail out to sailing area.	Expected to be Osborne Bay.
7	1100	Commence practice races.	
9	1300	Commence racing.	
11	1545	Last race start.	
13	o/c	Commence return to Shepards Wharf.	
15	1800	Debrief.	Pavilion at RYS. Cash Bar.
17	1930	Buffet Supper	Pavilion, RYS. Then Cowes High Street.
Friday 18 June 2021			
1	0800	Square away Scout Hut.	Hand back key o/c.
3	0830	Second Day Brief.	Sugar Store, Shepards Wharf. Race Officer, Umpire.
5	0845	Boat allocation.	Shepards Wharf
7	0900	Commence sail out to sailing area.	Expected to be Osborne Bay.
9	1015	Commence racing.	
11	1230	Last race start.	
13	o/c	Commence return to Shepards Wharf.	
15	1415	Prizegiving.	Pavilion at RYS.
17	1500	Boat transfer departs Trinity Landing.	30 pax. Expected 1600 in HMNB Portsmouth.

4.2. A number of Round-robins will be sailed, culminating in a Knock-out Series. The Schedule will be detailed in SI Addendum C.

## **5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

5.1. Copies of the SIs will be distributed by e-mail and made available at the first day briefing..

## **6. RACE AREA**

6.1. Racing will take place from a Committee Vessel in the Solent, which is likely to be anchored in Osborne Bay.

## **7. COURSES**

7.1. Courses will be depicted in the SIs.

## **8. SCORING**

8.1. Scoring will be detailed in the SIs.

## **9. BERTHING**

9.1. Yachts will be berthed in Shepards Wharf Marina, Cowes, but are may be berthed in the RYS Haven on the Thursday evening. Confirmation will be provided at the first day briefing.

## **10. HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS**

10.1. Yachts shall not be hauled out during the Regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the Race Committee.

## **11. PRIZES**

11.1. The Winning Team will be awarded the Coningham Cup.

## 12. RISK STATEMENT

Rule 4 of the RRS 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 involves an element of risk. All those taking part should be fully aware and conscious of the actual and potential risks involved in active watersports, including drowning, hypothermia and other physical injuries including head injuries.

They should be especially aware of the particular risks in match racing where boats are manoeuvred in close proximity and where the actions of other competitors, the action or inaction of the organisers, the umpires and drivers of other escort craft can also endanger their safety.

By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that: 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) That 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;
- (e) They have checked that they and their fellow crew members are fit to participate;
- (f) 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;
- (g) 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.

## 13. COVID Statement

By taking part in any of the events covered by this Notice of Race, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that they are responsible for complying with any regulations in force from time to time in respect of COVID-19 and for complying with the Royal Yacht Squadron COVID-19 procedures.

The penalty for a breach of this rule may, at the discretion of the Protest Committee, be less than disqualification. Boats may not protest for breaches of this rule. This changes rule 60.1(a). (DP)

**NOTICE OF RACE ENDS**