



**ELLEN MACARTHUR CANCER TRUST
BRIGHTER FUTURES REGATTA
20-21 MAY 2025**

**ORGANISING AUTHORITY
ROYAL YACHT SQUADRON
COWES**

NOTICE OF RACE

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 [DP] The Equipment Rules of Sailing (ERS).
- 1.3 Notices to Mariners for the Ports of [Southampton](#), [Portsmouth](#) and [Cowes](#) apply.
- 1.4 Rules of the International J70 Class will not apply.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be available on the [Royal Yacht Squadron \(RYS\) website](#) by 15th May 2025.

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The Official Notice Board (ONB) will be online at [www.rys.org.uk](#) and the Race Office will be at the Royal Yacht Squadron (RYS).
- 3.2 All boats shall carry a Marine VHF Radio capable of receiving all normal International VHF Channels. All VHF communication shall be on International VHF channels.
- 3.3 [DP] While racing, from the First Warning Signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communications that are not available to all boats.
- 3.4 In addition to VHF communication, the Race Committee (RC) may use a Telegram Group to communicate with competitors and a "QR code & Link" will be included in the SIs. Failure to receive information broadcast using Telegram will not be grounds for redress.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to teams invited by the Ellen MacArthur Cancer Trust (EMCT) in boats of the J70 Class provided by the Organising Authority (OA).
- 4.2 The maximum number of boats will be decided between EMCT and the OA.
- 4.3 Entries shall not be open to competitors and support persons holding only Russian or Belarussian nationality or a boat that is registered with or a member of the National Association in those countries. The OA may amend this

rule following any further World Sailing decisions on the situation with Russia and Belarus.

5. FEES

- 5.1 The Entry Fees will be arranged between the EMCT and RYS.

6. CREW LIMITATIONS

- 6.1 A parental (or guardian) consent form and declaration, available on [www.rys.org.uk](#) shall be submitted for crew under 18 years of age.

7. ADVERTISING

- 7.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA.

8. QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES

- 8.1 Not used.

9. SCHEDULE

- 9.1 The times shown in the table below are UTC plus 1 hour (British Summer Time - BST). Indicative Tide Times are for High Water (HW) Portsmouth.
- 9.2 No Warning Signal will be made after 1300.

DAY HWP (BST)	TIME	FIRST WARNING SIGNAL	NOTES	
Tuesday 20 May	1700		EMCT Guests arrived	
	1830		Guest tour of RYS	
	1900 for 1930		Dinner at RYS for EMCT guests	
Wednesday 21 May	0830		Breakfast at RYS	
	0900		Race briefing by RO	
	HW 0620 – 3.8m	0945	1025	Boats depart Haven First Warning Signal
	LW 1200 – 1.6m		Approx 1245	To be followed by multiple short races Passage race to RYS
	1410			Lunch at RYS
	1530			Prize Giving

10. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 10.1 Not used.

11. CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

- 11.1 Not used.

12. VENUE

- 12.1 Racing will take place from a Committee Vessel in the Solent.
- 12.2 To indicate the general race area a local racing chartlet can be found in Addendum A.

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13. COURSES

- 13.1 The courses to be sailed will be a windward / leeward (w/l) configuration as described in the SIs.
- 13.2 The final race back to the RYS may be a passage race and include laid inflatable marks, fixed racing marks and navigation marks. A list of available marks will be included in the SIs.

14. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 14.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 14.2 Where an offset leg at the windward mark is part of the course, penalties while in the zone of the windward mark or on the offset leg shall be delayed and taken at the first reasonable opportunity on the downwind leg. This change is added to RRS 44.2.
- 14.3 Hearings will be in the RYS as soon as possible after racing.

15. SCORING

- 15.1 One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.2 When fewer than four (4) w/l races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 15.3 When four (4) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her races excluding her worst score. The final passage race from the racing area to the RYS, if held, may not be excluded.

16. SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

- 16.1 [DP] Team leaders, coaches, other support personnel and their coach and support boats shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the First Warning Signal of the first class to start until all boats have finished or until the RC signals no more racing today.
- 16.2 All support person vessels shall carry a marine VHF Radio and comply with RRS 37 'Search and Rescue Instructions'.

17. CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS

- 17.1 The event will be sailed in J70s supplied by the OA.

18. BERTHING

- 18.1 [DP] All boats shall be kept in the assigned places as described by the OA.

19. LAUNCHING AND HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 19.1 Not used.

20. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

- 20.1 [DP] Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around boats between the Preparatory Signal of the first race and the end of the last race.
- 20.2 [DP] No person shall undertake any swimming, underwater or diving activities of any kind within the harbour without a valid permit to dive from the Cowes Harbour Master or the manager of the marina you wish to dive at. This prohibited activity is legislated under Cowes Harbour Commission General Direction 4.4 & 4.5.
- 20.3 [DP] Competitors may at any time and within the existing marina regulations; scrub the hull using flossing, sponging

or mechanical devices as long as no person enters the water.

21. DATA PROTECTION

- 21.1 The personal information you provide to the OA will be used to facilitate your participation in the event. If you have agreed to be bound by the RRS and the other rules that govern the Events (the rules), the legal basis for processing that personal information is contract. If you are not bound by the rules, the legal basis for processing that personal information is legitimate interest. Your personal information will be stored and used in accordance with the OA's privacy policy. When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with the RYA, your national authority and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.
- 21.2 Competitors automatically grant to the OA, 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 provided that they do not infringe the privacy rights of participants.
- 21.3 The Royal Yacht Squadron (RYS) and Royal Yacht Squadron Limited (RYSL) Armorial, Burgees and all other associated logos shall not be used by any club or individual without the prior written permission of RYS.

22. RISK STATEMENT

- 22.1 Rule 3 of the RRS states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."
- 22.2 Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:
- 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;
 - They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
 - They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
 - Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
 - 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;
 - The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
 - It is their responsibility to familiarize 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 competitor or safety briefing held for the event.

23. INSURANCE

- 23.1 The J70's provided by the OA will be adequately insured, with cover of at least £3m (or the equivalent) against third party claims.

24. PRIZES

- 24.1 The event prize giving will be at the RYS after racing and any protest(s).
- 24.2 Prizes will be awarded to the first, second and third boats in the Series or as determined by the EMCT.

25. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 25.1 For further information please contact the OA, the details for which are at the foot of each page.

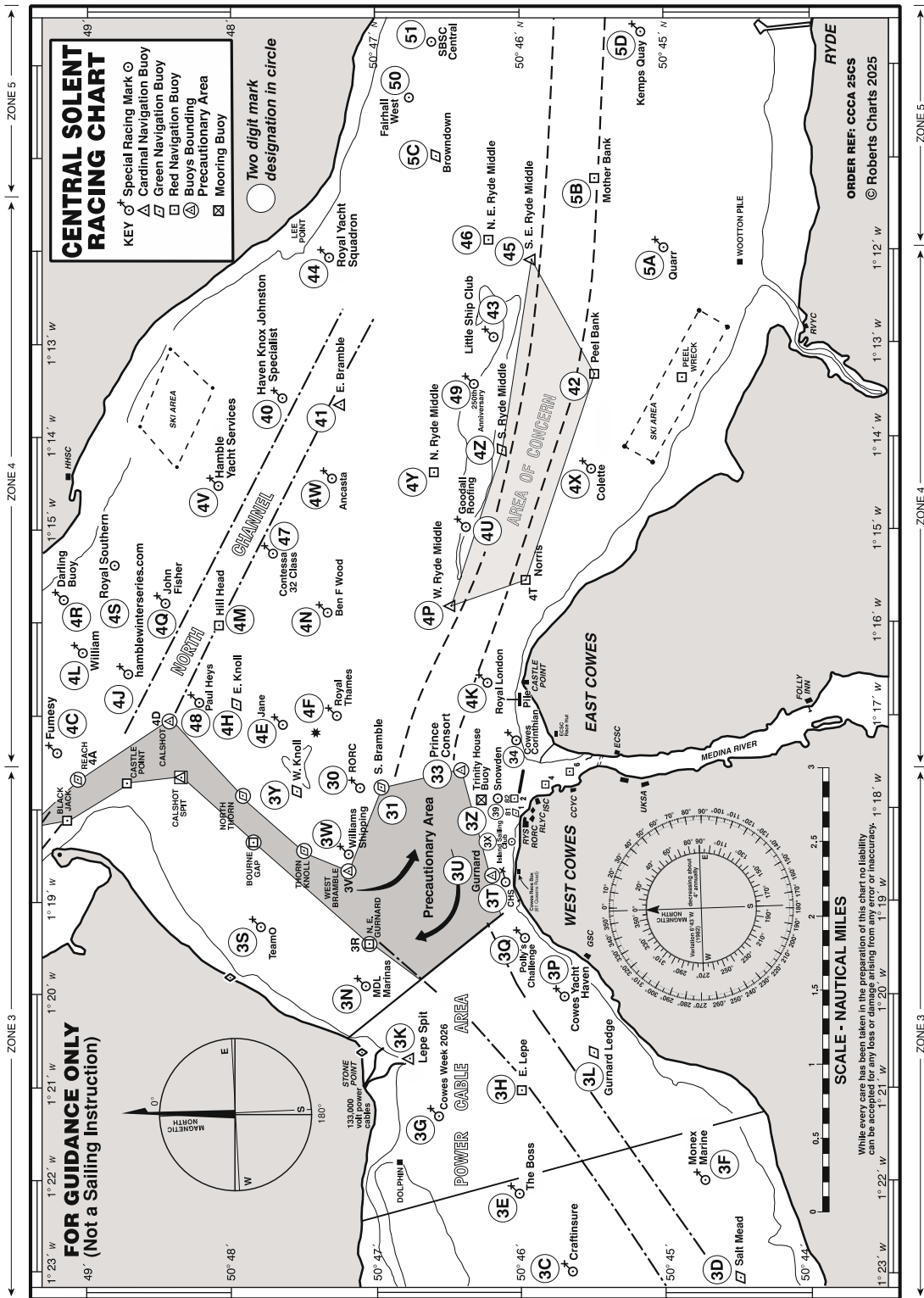
26. INCLEMENT WEATHER PLAN

- (a) 0800 – All staff/skippers/volunteers arrive at the Pavillion
- (b) 0845 – Guests start arriving
- (c) 0900 – Words of welcomes
- (d) 0915 – Breakfast to be served
- (e) 1000 – Morning talk from Frank Fletcher and Team
- (f) 1030 - RYS tour
- (g) 1145 – Boat tour of Solent Hero & Kalooki (Tea & Coffee to be available in the Pavillion/Balcony)
- (h) 1300 – BBQ in the Pavilion/on the lawn
- (i) 1400 – Speaking Pannel
- (j) 1500 – Final drinks and guests to start departing
- (k) 1700 – Trust team to depart

NOTICE OF RACE ENDS

ADDENDUM A.

See below a chartlet of the Racing Area showing the Solent Two Character Codes.



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