



QUARTER TON CLASS REGATTA 12-13 SEPTEMBER 2020

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY ROYAL YACHT SQUADRON

NOTICE OF RACE

(Amended 04/09/2020)

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.

1. RULES

The Regatta will be governed by:

- 1.1 The rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017 – 2020 (RRS).
- 1.2 World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations for Inshore Racing (Appendix B) shall apply. [DP]
- 1.3 Quarter Ton Class Rules.
- 1.4 Parts A, B and C of the IRC Rules shall apply. [DP]
- 1.5 RRS Appendix T, Arbitration, will apply. Further details will be contained in the Sailing Instructions. [DP]
- 1.6 Notices to Mariners for the Ports of [Southampton](#), [Portsmouth](#) and [Cowes](#). [DP]
- 1.7 All crews are required to follow all the latest Covid-19 guidance from NHS England and the Government. [DP]
- 1.8 All crews should also follow the latest [RYA Guidance on sailing & racing with participants from different households](#) during COVID-19 in England. [DP]

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Advertising is permitted in accordance with Class Rules and World Sailing Regulation 20.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The Regatta is open to all boats of the Quarter Ton Class.
- 3.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form on the Royal Yacht Squadron (RYS) [Regatta Website](#) and paying the entry fee.
- 3.3 In addition, the skipper of each boat shall complete and submit an 'Covid 19 Crew Declaration Form' in the 24 hours immediately prior to the event. This form will be available on the RYS Regatta Website. Competitors who

answer 'False' to any of the questions shall not take part in the event. WITHOUT EXCEPTION. Failure to comply with this requirement will result in boats being scored DNC.

4. CLASSIFICATION

- 4.1 The Regatta is open to all sailors regardless of World Sailing Sailor Classification (WSSC).

5. FEES

- 5.1 The entry fee is £150 per boat. This does not include berthing nor social events

6. SCHEDULE OF RACING

- 6.1 The intention of the Race Committee is to run up to ten (10) races over the two days of the Regatta.
- 6.2 The Race Committee intends to run no more than five races each day. Additional races may be sailed in order to complete the programme because of weather or other reasons and will be advised by 0900 on the affected day.
- 6.3 The last race of the day may be a race home to finish on the RYS Line, if agreed by all competitors.
- 6.4 On the last day of racing, no warning signal will be made after 1530.
- 6.5 Schedule

DAY HWP (BST)	BRIEFING	FIRST WARNING SIGNAL	NOTES
Sat 12 Sept HW 0710 3.7m	0900	1025	WhatsApp Briefing 1 st Warning Signal Subsequent races asap after each race finish.
Sun 13 Sept HW 0850 3.8m		1025	1 st Warning Signal. Subsequent races asap after each race finish. Prizegiving in the RYS Pavilion ASAP after racing

7. MEASUREMENT

- 7.1 Each boat shall be in possession of a valid endorsed IRC Rating Certificate.
- 7.2 There will be no official crew weigh-in. This changes Class Rule 5.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 8.1 Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be available on the RYS Website by midday on Sunday 6 September 2020.

All correspondence should be directed to:

The Royal Yacht Squadron, The Castle, Cowes, UK, PO31 7QT. Tel: 01983 292191, Email: mail@rys.org.uk

9. VENUE

- 9.1 Racing will take place from a Committee Vessel in the Central and Eastern Solent.
- 9.2 The approximate position of the Committee Vessel will be announced by WhatsApp and by VHF Radio.
- 9.3 The Race Office will be at the RYS and the [Official Notice Board \(ONB\)](#) will be the RYS Regatta Website.

10. COURSES

- 10.1 The format for racing will be predominantly Windward/Leeward. See Addendum A.
- 10.2 In the event that a race home to finish on the RYS Line is agreed by all competitors, the Race Committee will use laid and/or fixed racing or navigation marks, which will be announced by VHF Radio and may be repeated on WhatsApp.
- 10.3 A list of marks, two-character codes and chartlet will be issued with the SIs.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 11.1 RRS Rule 44.1 is changed so that the penalty for a boat breaking a rule in Part 2 shall be a One-Turn Penalty (1 tack and 1 gybe).

12. SCORING

- 12.1 The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply.
- 12.2 One race shall be completed to constitute a series.
- 12.3 When one (1) to five (5) races have been completed a boats series score shall be the total of all their scores.
- 12.4 When six (6) to eight (8) races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 12.5 When nine (9) or more races have been completed, a boats score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two (2) worst scores.

13. SUPPORT BOATS

- 13.1 All support boats must carry marine VHF radios and agree to assist the Race Committee if directed to do so. *[DP]*
- 13.2 Support boats shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for each start thereafter until all boats have finished or retired or the Race Committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment. *[DP]*

14. BERTHING

- 14.1 Regatta berthing is the responsibility of each boat and is not included in the entry fee. Visiting boats to Cowes should contact [Cowes Yacht Haven](#) or [Shepards Wharf Marina](#) for berthing reservations.

15. HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 15.1 All boats shall be afloat by 1730 the day before the first race. *[DP]*

- 15.2 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]*

16. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

- 16.1 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]*

17. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 17.1 All Yachts shall carry a Marine Band VHF Radio capable of receiving all International Channels.
- 17.2 VHF Radio Channels used for course information and announcements will be identified in the SIs.
- 17.3 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. *[DP]*

18. MEDIA

Competitors automatically 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.

19. PRIZES

- 19.1 There will be a Prizegiving asap after racing on Sunday.
- 19.2 Prizes will be awarded for the first, second and third boats in the series.

20. CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS

- 20.1 RRS G3 applies.

21. ARMORIAL, BURGEE AND LOGO

The Royal Yacht Squadron (RYS) and Royal Yacht Squadron Racing (RYSR) Armorial, Burgees and all other associated logos shall not be used by any club or individual without the prior written permission of the RYS. *[DP]*

22. PRIVACY

The Royal Yacht Squadron, 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.

23. INSURANCE

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

24. RISK STATEMENT

- 24.1 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."
- 24.2 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 competitor or 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.

24.3 COVID Statement

- (a) 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.
- (b) 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)

25. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 25.1 Further information requests or completed entries should be sent to the address below.

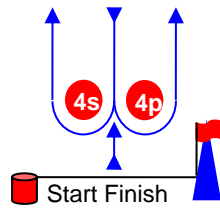
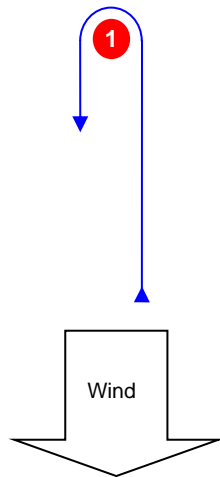
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1. SOCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

- (a) Further details regarding social arrangements are available by contacting the RYS Office or visiting the [ONB](#) on the RYS Website.

Course Illustrations – Windward Leeward

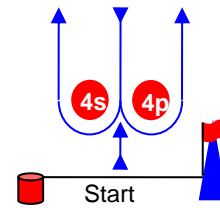
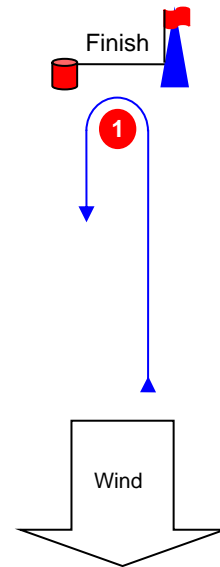
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Course: Leeward finish

Signal	Mark Rounding Order
L2	Start – 1 – 4s/4p – 1 – Finish
L3	Start – 1 – 4s/4p – 1 – 4s/4p – 1 – Finish
L4	Start – 1 – 4s/4p – 1 – 4s/4p – 1 – 4s/4p – 1 – Finish

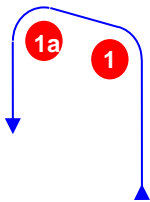
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Course: Windward Finish

Signal	Mark Rounding Order
W2	Start – 1 – 4s/4p – Finish
W3	Start – 1 – 4s/4p – 1 – 4s/4p – Finish
W4	Start – 1 – 4s/4p – 1 – 4s/4p – 1 – 4s/4p – Finish

LA / WA



Course: Windward/leeward with offset mark 1a

Signal	Mark Rounding Order
LA2	Start – 1 – 1a – 4s/4p – 1 – 1a – Finish
LA3	Start – 1 – 1a – 4s/4p – 1 – 1a – 4s/4p – 1 – 1a – Finish
LA4	Start – 1 – 1a – 4s/4p – 1 – 1a – 4s/4p – 1 – 1a – 4s/4p – 1 – 1a – Finish
WA2	Start – 1 – 1a – 4s/4p – Finish
WA3	Start – 1 – 1a – 4s/4p – 1 – 1a – 4s/4p – Finish
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