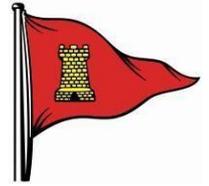




SOLENT PLATINUM JUBILEE REGATTA



J70 & SONAR RACES

SATURDAY 6 AUGUST 2022

Organizing Authority Island Sailing Club

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- a. Racing will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS2021-2024), RYA Prescriptions and the World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations Appendix B
- b. If there is conflict between the Sailing Instructions and the Notice of Race, the SIs shall prevail. This changes RRS 63.7
- c. Boats racing shall use all reasonable endeavours to avoid contact with navigation buoys, whether marks of the course or not. In the case of contact, whether or not leading to damage to the buoy, the circumstances of the incident and details of any damage shall be reported to the race committee within the protest time limit. RRS 31 and 44 shall remain in force. If the navigation buoy has been damaged the race committee may protest the boat. If a boat is forced by the actions of another boat to collide with a navigation buoy her only remedy is to protest.

2. SAFETY

- a. All boats shall observe the ABP Byelaws 11.(1) The 'Moving Prohibited Zone' shall rank as an obstruction to boats racing (See APPENDIX B)
- b. At all times boats shall keep a good look out for ferries and commercial traffic, especially when starting across the Cowes harbour fairway as marked on BA chart 2793 and give way to all commercial vessels within the harbour and approaches, especially at the area of concern shown on the Central Solent chart.
- c. Rule 9 parts (b) and (d) of the International Collision Regulations shall be complied with at all times as follows:
 - (b) A sailing vessel shall not impede the passage of a vessel which can safely navigate only within a narrow channel or fairway.
 - (d) A vessel shall not cross a narrow channel or fairway if such crossing impedes the passage of a vessel which can safely navigate only within such channel or fairway.
- d. **Cowes Harbour Breakwater (CHB)**
All boats shall pass to the north of the CHB when racing.
Competitors are recommended to stay more than 25 metres away from the crest.

3. COMPETITORS BRIEFING

There will be a briefing for competitors at the **Island Sailing Club 1730** on Friday 5th before racing. Each boat should ensure that she has a representative attending.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- a. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the Royal Yacht Squadron flagstaff.
- b. Flag AP over AP with two sound signals means racing is postponed and boats are requested not to leave their mooring. The warning signal of the race will be made not less than **30 minutes** after one AP is removed with one sound.
- c. Where possible a text message may be sent at the time the signal is displayed.

5. CLASS FLAG

- a. All boats shall fly International Code flag Numeral Pennant 1.

6. AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

- a. Boats shall not anchor or kedge in the Cowes Harbour Fairway and in the area between Stone Point and Gurnard Bay as indicated on the Central Solent Chart (APPENDIX A)
- b. Boats may use any method of propulsion in accordance with RRS 42.3(i) in an emergency to keep clear of a ship. Full details must be reported to the race committee as soon as possible after the event.

7. COURSE

- a. The course to be sailed will be broadcast by Radio on VHF Channel 77 and sent by mobile phone text message to the number provided at the point of entry. Delay in receiving, or non-receipt of a mobile text message shall not be grounds for redress.
- b. The radio broadcast will be at least 10 minutes before the Starting Signal and will include the 2 digit code and the buoy name unless using ISC racing marks.

8. MARKS

- a. Marks used will be ISC racing marks or fixed navigation buoys.
- b. The Central Solent Chart can be seen in **APPENDIX A**

9. THE START

- a. RRS 26 is changed in that the Starting Signals will be as follows:

Sonar & J70	Warning Signal	Preparatory Signal	One Minute Signal	Start
Race 1	0950	0955	0959	1000

It is the Race Committee's intention to run a second race as soon as practicable after the completion of Race 1, and a third race as soon as practicable after Race 2. The third race will finish near to the entrance of Cowes Harbour. Please watch for flag signals and listen for VHF Radio broadcasts.

- b. The Starting Line
The Starting Line for race 1 will be the Royal Yacht Squadron line
- c. The Outer Distance Mark
The Outer Distance Mark will be an orange inflatable mark approximately 400m to the north of the RYS flagstaff
- d. The Starting Line
The Starting Line for race 2 and 3 will be the Committee boat.
- e. Starting Procedure
A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her start will be scored DNS.

10. RECALLS

- a. Sail numbers of boats recalled may be broadcast on VHF Channel 77.
- b. Delay or failure to broadcast a recalled sail number shall not be grounds for redress.

11. THE FINISH

- a. The finishing line (**which is not the same as the start line**) will be at the committee boat for races 1, 2 and 3

12. SHORTENED COURSE

The Race Committee will broadcast their intention to Shorten Course on VHF Channel 77. This is in addition to the requirements of RRS 32.2 and failure to receive the broadcast will not be grounds for redress.

13. TIME LIMIT

The Time Limit shall be 15 minutes after the first boat in each class has finished.

14. RETIREMENTS

Boats that have retired shall notify the Race Committee on VHF Channel 77.

15. PENALTY SYSTEM

- a. RRS 44.1 is changed such that the penalty shall be a One-turn Penalty (1 tack and 1 gybe).

16. PROTESTS

The Protest time limit is 1430 or one hour after the yacht has finished racing whichever is earlier. Protests may be heard virtually.

17. SCORING and PRIZES

There will be no discards. This changes RRS Appendix A.

Presentations of prizes will be on the Parade at 1440 to the winning J70 and Sonar

18. RISK STATEMENT

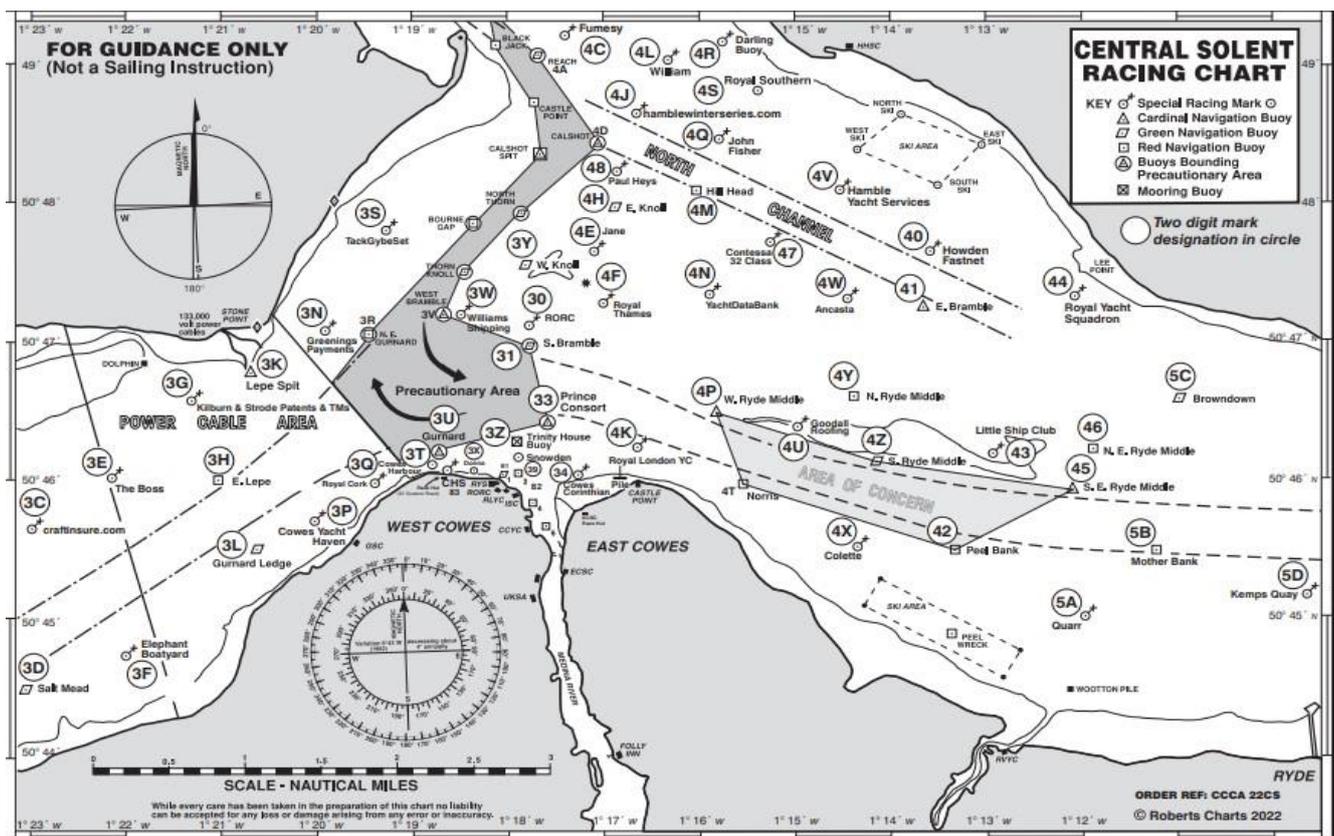
RRS 4 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone," Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in this series, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- 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 series;
- 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 series 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 (the competitors') 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 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.

19. INSURANCE

Each boat shall ensure that their boat is adequately insured, with cover of at least £3,000,000 sterling against third party claims.

APPENDIX A



APPENDIX B

