



## THE CASTLE TROPHY 23 - 26 MAY 2025

Organizing Authority (OA)  
Royal Yacht Squadron  
Cowes, IoW  
*in association with*  
GSTAAD YACHT CLUB  
GSTAAD

### SHORT SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SSIs)

References to SIs refer to the Castle Trophy SIs

#### HW PORTSMOUTH BST

Saturday 25 May 1030 4.5m

Sunday 26 May 1120 4.7m

#### 1 RULES

1.1.1 The event will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*, including Appendix D, Team Racing Rules.

1.3 RRS 17 is deleted.

1.4 RRS 20 is changed so that the following arm signals by the helm are required in addition to the hails:

1.4.1 for room to tack, repeatedly and clearly pointing to windward; and

1.4.2 for 'You tack', repeatedly and clearly pointing at the other boat and waving the arm to windward.

#### 3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

3.3 On the water, the RC intends to communicate using VHF Ch 77, and on Telegram.

#### 6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

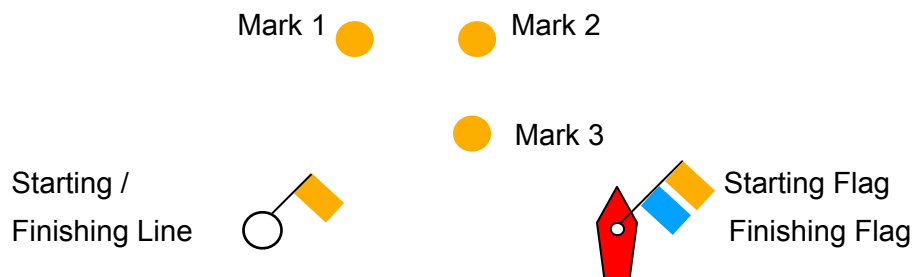
6.2 The format of racing will be Random Pair two-boat team racing. See Addendum G.

#### 8 RACING AREA

8.1 The intended racing area is in East Osborne Bay.

#### 9 COURSE

D The Course to be sailed will be as follows: (not to scale)



Courses:

L1 Start – 1 – 2 – Finish

L2 Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 2 – Finish

All marks shall be rounded to Starboard.

When a boat is sailing towards Mark 1, the boat is on an upwind leg.  
When sailing towards any other mark of the Course, the boat is on a leg to a leeward mark.

9.2 The Course letter and number may be displayed on the CV.

## 10 MARKS

10.1 Marks 1, 2 and 3 are all small Orange inflatable marks.

10.2 The starboard-end Starting Mark will be the CV displaying an Orange Flag. The port-end Starting Mark will be a small White inflatable mark, which may display an Orange Flag.

10.3 The port-end Finishing Mark will be the CV displaying a Blue Flag. The starboard-end Finishing Mark will be a small White inflatable mark, which may display an Orange Flag.

## 12 THE START

12.1 Races will be started by using the following signals:

Signal	Minutes before Starting Signal	Sound Signal	Visual Signals
Warning	3	One	Team colours displayed
Preparatory	2	One	Flag P displayed
One-minute	1	One Long	Team colours removed
Starting	0	One	Flag P removed

12.2 Times shall be taken from the start of each sound signal. The failure or delay of a visual signal, including flags as specified above, shall be disregarded. This changes RRS 26.

12.4 To alert boats that a race will soon begin, the Orange Flag will be displayed One (1) minute before the Warning Signal accompanied by multiple sound signals.

## 14 THE FINISH

14.1 The Finishing Line will be a straight line between the course side of the starboard-end Finish Mark and the staff displaying a Blue Flag on the CV.

14.3 Any signal (Whistle) at the Finish is an indication that the boat signalled has crossed the Finish Line. It is not an indication that the boat has correctly sailed the Course and finished.

## 15 PENALTY SYSTEM

15.1 Umpired race penalties are listed in SIs Addendum B.

15.2 Umpired race penalties are listed in SIs Addendum C.

A2.1 Actions subject to Umpire-initiated penalties during a race:

A2.1(i) Crew sailing with their legs outside of the stanchions or guard wires.

C3.3 RRS D1.3 (a) (Penalties) first sentence is changed to:

“When on an upwind leg of the course a boat may take a penalty by gybing, or when on a *leg to a leeward mark* of the course a boat may take a penalty by tacking when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2, or RRS 31 or RRS 42, in an incident while racing. Between the preparatory signal and the starting signal the penalty shall be taken by gybing.”

## TIMINGS:

### Monday

0730 Breakfast, RYS Pavilion  
0830 Depart RYS Haven  
1215 SNG back in RYS Haven  
1245 Return RYS Haven  
1415 Prizegiving - RYS Pavilion  
1535 Red Jet Departs

**ADDENDUM G**  
**RACE SCHEDULE**  
**SUNDAY**

Flight	Race	Teams		A	B	C	D	E
		Blue	Yellow	7	8	9	11	10
<b>I</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>A B</b>	<b>C D</b>					-
	<b>2</b>	<b>A E</b>	<b>B C</b>				-	
	<b>3</b>	<b>A D</b>	<b>B E</b>			-		
	<b>4</b>	<b>B D</b>	<b>C E</b>	-				
	<b>5</b>	<b>A C</b>	<b>D E</b>		-			
<b>II</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>A E</b>	<b>C D</b>		-			
	<b>7</b>	<b>A C</b>	<b>E D</b>		-			
	<b>8</b>	<b>A D</b>	<b>E C</b>		-			
	<b>9</b>	<b>A E</b>	<b>C D</b>		-			

**J70 Allocation**

<b>A</b>	<b>AURORA - 7</b>	Gstaad Yacht Club
<b>B</b>	<b>GENESTA - 8</b>	Société Nautique de Genève
<b>C</b>	<b>VALKYRIE - 9</b>	Yacht Club Italiano / Yacht Club Costa Smeralda
<b>Spare</b>	<b>ENDEAVOUR -</b>	Spare
<b>D</b>	<b>SCEPTRE - 11</b>	Royal Thames Yacht Club
<b>E</b>	<b>RITA - 10</b>	Royal Yacht Squadron

