



ROYAL SOUTHERN  
— YACHT CLUB —



## Pre-Cowes Week Regatta 2021

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24/25 July 2021

Royal Southern Yacht Club, Hamble

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# NOTICE OF RACE

*The event will be run in accordance with Government and RYA Guidelines relating to the COVID-19 pandemic applicable at the time of each regatta. Crew restrictions and social distancing rules may be in place.*

## 1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is organised by the Royal Southern Yacht Club and is governed by the rules as defined in the current [Racing Rules of Sailing](#) (RRS) as modified by the X One Design Class Rules and the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 Boats shall comply with Southampton & Portsmouth Harbour byelaws where applicable. In particular, notice is drawn to [ABP Southampton Notice to Mariners No 09 of 2021](#).
- 1.3 Competitors should note that the Organising Authority (OA) implements the [RYA Racing Charter](#) and they will be expected to sail in compliance with it.
- 1.4 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA.
- 1.5 By taking part in racing, 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 COVID-19 procedures of the Royal Southern Yacht Club (RSrNYC). The most recent RYA guidance can be found at <https://www.rya.org.uk/knowledge-advice/current-affairs/Pages/coronavirus-covid-19.aspx>.
- 1.6 This Notice of Race (NoR) may be changed by amendment or by the Sailing Instructions (SIs). If a conflict arises between the NoR and the SIs, the SIs will take precedence. This amends RRS Rule 63.7.

## 2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The SIs will be available by Wednesday 21st July 2021 on the website event page—<https://www.royal-southern.co.uk/calendar/events/event/10251/>.

## 3 COMMUNICATIONS and SAFETY

- 3.1 The Official Notice Board is located on the [Yachtscoring event page](#).
- 3.2 All boats shall carry a functioning VHF radio capable of communicating on all the usual UK marine channels, including M1 (37a) and M2.

- 3.3 On the water, courses will be advised by VHF radio. The channels will be stated in the SIs.
- 3.4 Boats shall comply with the [Royal Southern Yacht Club Sports Boat and Day Boat Safety Regulations 2020](#), which are available on the website— [www.royal-southern.co.uk/racing](http://www.royal-southern.co.uk/racing).
- 3.5 Adequate personal flotation shall be worn at all times when afloat by all competitors when the International Code Flag Y is flown on the Club flagstaff and/or the Committee Vessel. Neither a wetsuit nor drysuit constitute adequate personal flotation. This amends RRS 40.
- 3.6 Random safety inspections may be carried out to check compliance with this NoR and the SIs. A boat that refuses inspection or fails to give every reasonable assistance to an authorised inspector may be disqualified without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1. The fact that race officials may conduct inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this notice of race.

## 4 ELIGIBILITY

- 4.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the X One Design (XOD) Class, J/70 Class and SB20 Class.
- 4.2 Other classes may be invited to attend, or may request an invitation to attend by email to [sailing@royal-southern.co.uk](mailto:sailing@royal-southern.co.uk).
- 4.3 A boat's bottom may be scrubbed in the water at any time during the event as the owner desires.
- 4.4 Any class with fewer than 6 boats on the start line in the first race of the event may thereafter be started or amalgamated with another class for the duration of the event.

## 5 ENTRY and FEES

- 5.1 Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form and submitting it, together with the entry fee, through the [website event page](#).
- 5.2 The Closing Date for standard entries will be at 23:59 on Wednesday 21st July 2021.
- 5.3 Late entries may be accepted after the Closing Date at the discretion of the OA.
- 5.4 The entry fee is £70 per boat and berthing at the club is £20 per boat for the duration of the event. Book a berth via [havenandfacilities@royal-southern.co.uk](mailto:havenandfacilities@royal-southern.co.uk).



## 6 SCHEDULE of EVENTS

6.1 The intended Schedule of Events is as follows:

Date	Time	Event	HW (Portsmouth)
Fri 23rd July	1800	Friday Night Happy Hour	
Sat 24th July	0830	Competitor briefing (if permitted)	1225
	1025	First warning signal 3 races	
	1600-2100	Bar open and Bistro menu available	
Sun 25th July	1025	First warning signal 3 races	1315
	1400	Target time for last warning signal (1500 is latest possible)	
	1600	Target time for regatta prize giving (if permitted)	

6.2 No warning signal will be displayed after 1500 on Sundays, unless as the result of a general recall.

## 7 RACE AREA and COURSES

- 7.1 The racing area will be the Central Solent and Southampton Water.
- 7.2 The courses and race area will be announced on each race day by VHF radio, and the courses will be round the cans' with a windward leeward flavour.
- 7.3 The marks to be used are as described in the 2021 Royal Southern YC Solent Mark Codes, available from mid-February at [www.royal-southern.co.uk/racing](http://www.royal-southern.co.uk/racing), or as described in the SIs.

## 8 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 8.1 The Sailing Instructions will change RRS 44.1 so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty or an alternative time penalty.
- 8.2 Penalties arising from protests will be at the discretion of the Protest Committee and may be less than DSQ. This changes RRS 64.2.

## 9 SCORING

- 9.1 Three races are required to constitute a series.
- 9.2 (a) When 3 races are completed, a boat's score shall be the total of all races.
- (b) When 4 or more races are completed, a boat's score shall be the total of all races, discarding the worst score.

## 10 RISK STATEMENT

- 10.1 Rule 3 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."
- 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:
- (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 (if any) and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
  - (f) 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;
  - (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 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 the 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; and
  - (i) Their boat is adequately insured, with a cover of at least £3 million against third party claims.

## 11 PRIVACY STATEMENT

- 11.1 The personal information that competitors and others provide to the organizing authority will be used to facilitate their participation in the event. If they have agreed to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and the other rules that govern the event (the rules), the legal basis for processing that personal information is contract. If they are not bound by the rules, the legal basis for processing that personal information is legitimate interest. Their personal information will be stored and used in accordance with the organizing authority's privacy policy. When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with the RYA, their national authority and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.

## 12 RIGHTS TO USE NAMES & LIKENESSES

- 12.1 By taking part in the event, competitors automatically grant to the organising authority and sponsors, 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.

## 13 PRIZES

- 13.1 Prizes will be awarded for first, second and third place in each class, except:
- If there are between four and six boats racing, only first and second place will be awarded prizes.
  - If there are fewer than four boats racing, only first place will be awarded a prize.
- 13.2 Prizes will be awarded after the completion of racing on Sunday 25th July.

## 14 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 14.1 For further information, please contact the Sailing Office as below:

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