



Royal Lyminster Yacht Club  
2023 Cape 31 National Championship  
Sponsored by HYS  
8<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> June

**NOTICE OF RACE** incorporating highlighted changes in Notice 1

The Organizing Authority is the Royal Lyminster Yacht Club

**1. RULES**

- 1.1. The event is governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. The event will be conducted in accordance with the RYA Racing Charter.
- 1.3. Boats in the Lyminster River sailing to/from the race area shall not cause the Wightlink ferry to take avoiding action and shall follow instructions from officials to ensure safe passage.
- 1.4. [NP] Boats are required to display bow numbers supplied and applied by the class association.

**2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 2.1. Sailing instructions will be available on the Official Notice Board (online) by 2<sup>nd</sup> June.

**3. COMMUNICATION**

- 3.1. The online official notice board is located at <https://cms.cape31class.com/racing/regatta/3>
- 3.2. In addition to the Official Notice Board, communication with competitors will be by VHF radio on channels specified in the Sailing Instructions or by the Event Messaging System.
- 3.3. The Event Messaging System will be via Telegram messaging system to mobile numbers provided by competitors for communications specified in the Sailing Instructions.

**4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 4.1. The event is open to all boats of the Cape 31 class.
- 4.2. Eligible boats may enter by completing the online entry form available at <https://cms.cape31class.com/racing/regatta/3> by 1700 on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June.
- 4.3. To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.4. The requirements of the Class constitution regarding class membership shall apply.

**5. FEES**

5.1. The entry fee is £485 per boat which does not include berthing.

## 6. CREW LIMITATIONS

6.1. Class Rule 10.1 shall apply.

## 7. ADVERTISING

7.1. [DP] Advertising is permitted in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20.

7.2. [DP] Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

## 8. QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES

8.1. Does not apply.

## 9. SCHEDULE

9.1. The event schedule is as follows:

Day	Event time or First Warning Signal	Notes
<b>Thursday 8 June</b>	1830	Mount Gay welcome drinks at RLymYC
<b>Friday 9 June</b> HW Portsmouth 1652 BST 4.5m	0900 1100 1900	RO briefing by VHF and Telegram Race 1 Warning Signal Races 2 & 3 asap after finish Championship Dinner at RLymYC
<b>Saturday 10 June</b> HW Portsmouth 1754 BST 4.4m	0900 1030 After racing 2030 – late	RO briefing by VHF and Telegram Race 4 Warning Signal Races 5 & 6 asap after finish Mount Gay Tiki Bar – closes at 1900 Daily prize giving and live music at RLymYC
<b>Sunday 11 June</b> HW Portsmouth 1856 BST 4.4m	0900 1030 After racing	RO briefing by VHF and Telegram Race 7 Warning Signal Races 8 & 9 asap after finish Mount Gay Bar & Prize Giving at RLymYC

9.2. On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1430.

## 10. EQUIPMENT AND EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

10.1. Race Officials may inspect any boat at their discretion. Competitors shall comply with any reasonable instruction to facilitate equipment inspection.

- 10.2. The fact that race officials may conduct inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibility of each competitor set out in this notice of race.

## **11. CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT**

- 11.1. Does not apply.

## **12. VENUE**

- 12.1. The event venue is the Royal Lymington Yacht Club, Bath Road, Lymington, SO41 3SE.
- 12.2. The racing area will be the western Solent (provisionally on Friday) and Christchurch Bay (provisionally on Saturday and Sunday, subject to weather conditions).

## **13. COURSES**

- 13.1. Courses will be mainly Windward/Leeward and may also include round-the-cans races if transiting to or from Christchurch Bay.

## **14. PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 14.1. The first two sentences of RRS 44.1 are changed to: "A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or RRS 31 in an incident while racing. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty".

- 14.2. In RRS 44.2 insert after the first sentence: "However, on a windward/leeward course, if Mark 1a (windward spreader mark) is set, a boat shall take a penalty for an incident in the zone around Mark 1 or on the leg between Mark 1 and Mark 1a, as soon as possible after leaving the zone around Mark 1a".

- 14.3. For breaches of any rule, other than a rule of RRS Parts 1 and 2 or specified in the rule itself, the penalty may, at the discretion of the Protest Committee, be less than disqualification.

## **15. SCORING**

- 15.1. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.2. (a) When fewer than five races have been competed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## **16. SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS**

- 16.1. Class rule AP1 Support Boats applies.

## **17. CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS**

- 17.1. A chartered or loaned boat may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of her class rules, provided that the Race Committee has approved her sail identification before the first race.

## **18. BERTHING**

- 18.1. Berthing has been reserved by the Class Association on the Dan Bran pontoon near the Royal Lymington Yacht Club clubhouse. Berths may be booked using the Class Management System – see NoR 25.

## **19. HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS**

19.1. [DP] Boats shall be afloat by 1700 Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June.

19.2. Boats shall not be hauled out until the end of the event except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

## **20. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS**

20.1. [DP] 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 event.

20.2. [DP] Competing boats shall not be cleaned below the waterline by any means between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the event.

## **21. DATA PROTECTION**

21.1. The use of any personal data shall comply with current legislation. Further information can be found at [Club Data Policy](#).

## **22. RISK STATEMENT**

22.1. 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 and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- (f) The provision of patrol vessel 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 safety briefing held for the event;

## **23. INSURANCE**

23.1. All boats shall hold adequate insurance and in particular, hold insurance against third party claims in the sum of at least £3.0 million per incident or equivalent.

## **24. PRIZES**

24.1. Prizes will be awarded to the first, second and third boats in the series.

24.2. The HYS Championship Trophy will be awarded to the boat with the best overall score.

24.3. Daily prizes will be awarded however individual boats can only win one daily prize during the event.

- 24.4. There will be a prize for the best overall series result from a non-GBR boat not usually based in GBR.
- 24.5. There will also be the prize for best new owner who didn't compete in 2022 race circuit as owner.
- 24.6. There will be a prize for first team 'Corinthian' team comprised of no more than one World Sailing Group 3 sailors.

**25. FURTHER INFORMATION**

- 25.1. Cape 31 berthing has been reserved from 1300 on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June to 1200 on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June and can be booked using the Class Management System at a cost of £215.
- 25.2. RIB berthing has also been reserved for the same period and may be booked in the same way at a cost of £145.
- 25.3. Crew Breakfasts and Packed lunches can be booked on the Class Management System until Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June or directly from Royal Lymington Yacht Club after this date.
- 25.4. Tickets for the Championship Dinner can be booked on the Class Management System until Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June or from Royal Lymington Yacht Club after this date.

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