

## UK CAPE 31 RACE CIRCUIT ROUND 6 - SEASON FINALE 27 – 29 SEPTEMBER 2024

THE ORGANISING AUTHORITY IS THE  
ROYAL YACHT SQUADRON IN CONJUNCTION  
WITH THE UK CAPE 31 CLASS ASSOCIATION  
AND 31 NORTH LTD

### NOTICE OF RACE

*The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).*

#### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 The Notice of Series for the 2024 UK Cape 31 Race Circuit applies.
- 1.3 The Royal Yachting Association (RYA) National Prescriptions that apply are detailed in Addendum B.
- 1.4 Notices to Mariners for the Ports of [Southampton](#), [Portsmouth](#) and [Cowes](#) apply.

#### 2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available on the online Official Notice Board by 13 September.

#### 3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online Official Notice Board (ONB) is located at <https://cms.cape31class.com/racing/regatta/41> and the Race Office will be at the RYS.
- 3.2 In addition to the Official Notice Board, communication with competitors will be by VHF radio on the channels specified in the Sailing Instructions and/or by the Event Messaging System.
- 3.3 The Event Messaging System will be via a Telegram Group and a joining link is provided in Addendum C. Failure to receive information broadcast using Telegram will not be grounds for redress.
- 3.4 A briefing will be held on 26 September at 1800 virtually for the Race Committee and the OA to set out the intentions for the weekend as well as any other relevant information. A joining link will be posted in the Event Messaging System on 26 September.

#### 4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to all boats of the Cape 31 Class whose owners are current members of the International Cape 31 Class Association.
- 4.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the Entry Form and submitting it, together with the required fee at <https://cms.cape31class.com/racing/regatta/41> by 2359 on 20 September 2024. Entries may be accepted after this deadline at the discretion of the OA.
- 4.3 Entries shall not be open to competitors and support persons holding only Russian or Belarussian nationality or a boat that is registered with or a member of the National Association in those countries. The OA may amend this rule following any further World Sailing decisions on the situation with Russia and Belarus.

#### 5. FEES

- 5.1 The entry fee is £600 per boat which does not include berthing.
- 5.2 Entry Fees include the following:
  - (a) Race Management.
  - (b) Opening Ceremony.
  - (c) Prizegiving.

#### 6. CREW LIMITATIONS

- 6.1 See Notice of Series 6.
- 6.2 A parental (or guardian) consent form and declaration, available on (<https://www.rys.org.uk>) shall be submitted for crew under 18 years of age.

#### 7. ADVERTISING

- 7.1 See Notice of Series 7.

#### 8. QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES

- 8.1 Not used.

#### 9. SCHEDULE

- 9.1 The times shown in the table below are UTC plus 1 hour (British Summer Time - BST).

DAY <i>HW Portsmouth</i>	TIME	FIRST WARNING SIGNAL	NOTES
Thu 26 Sep	1800		Competitor briefing - virtual
Day 1 Fri 27 Sep <i>HW 0823 – 3.8m HW 2048 – 3.7m</i>	0900  1900 for 1930	1025	Briefing by Telegram. Race 1 Race 2 Race 3 Class Dinner in RYS
Day 2 Sat 28 Sep <i>HW 1027 – 4.0m HW 2247 – 4.0m</i>	0900	1025	Briefing by Telegram Race 4 Race 5 Race 6
Day 3 Sun 29 Sep <i>HW 1118 – 4.3m HW 2330 – 4.2m</i>	0900  ASAP	1025	Briefing by Telegram Race 7 Race 8 Race 9 Prizegiving in RYS

- 9.2 Up to nine races will be scheduled.

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9.3 A maximum of four races may be sailed on a day in order to complete the Programme because of weather or other reasons, provided that the Programme does not become more than one race ahead of Schedule.

9.4 On the last scheduled day of racing no Warning Signal will be made after 1430.

## 10. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

10.1 Boats and their crew shall be subject to post-race equipment inspection as detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

## 11. CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

11.1 Not used.

## 12. VENUE

12.1 The Event Venue is the RYS in Cowes.

12.2 Racing will take place from a Committee Vessel in the Solent.

12.3 The racing area is shown in Addendum A.

## 13. COURSES

13.1 Courses will be windward/leeward.

## 14. PENALTY SYSTEM

14.1 See Notice of Series 14.

14.2 For breaches of any rule other than a rule of RRS Part 1 and 2 the penalty shall be at the discretion of the protest committee unless the penalty is stated in the rule itself. The penalty shall be applied to all races in which the rule was broken. The protest committee shall be guided by the World Sailing Discretionary Penalty policy [https://d7qh6ksdplczd.cloudfront.net/sailing/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/26101247/Jury\\_Policies\\_2023.pdf](https://d7qh6ksdplczd.cloudfront.net/sailing/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/26101247/Jury_Policies_2023.pdf)

14.3 Hearings will be in the RYS as soon as possible after racing.

## 15. SCORING

15.1 When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

15.2 When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her races excluding her worst score.

## 16. SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

16.1 See Notice of Series 16.

## 17. CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS

17.1 See Notice of Series 17.

## 18. BERTHING

18.1 Event berthing is the responsibility of each boat and is not included in the entry fee.

## 19. LAUNCHING AND HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS

19.1 See Notice of Series 19.

## 20. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

20.1 See Notice of Series 20.

20.2 No person shall undertake any swimming, underwater or diving activities of any kind within the harbour without a valid permit to dive from the Cowes Harbour Master or the manager of the marina you wish to dive at. This prohibited activity is legislated under Cowes Harbour Commission [General Direction 4.4 & 4.5](#).

## 21. DATA PROTECTION

21.1 See Notice of Series 21.

21.2 Competitors automatically grant to the OA, 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 provided that they do not infringe the privacy rights of participants.

21.3 The Royal Yacht Squadron (RYS) and Royal Yacht Squadron Limited (RYSL) Armorial, Burgees and all other associated logos shall not be used by any club or individual without the prior written permission of RYS.

## 22. RISK STATEMENT

22.1 See Notice of Series 22.

## 23. INSURANCE

23.1 See Notice of Series 23.

## 24. PRIZES

24.1 The event prize giving will be at the RYS on Sun 29 September as soon as possible after racing and any protest(s).

24.2 Prizes will be awarded to the first, second and third overall placed boats in the event.

24.3 There will be a prize for the top new owner who didn't compete in the 2021/2/3 race circuit as an owner (as defined in class rule c.2.3(c)(i)).

24.4 There will be a prize for the first, second and third 'Corinthian' team formed no more than one crew with a World Sailing Group 3 categorisation. Crew without a valid categorisation shall be considered as holding a group 3 category for the purpose of this NoR. However, any competitor that satisfies the OA they have made a genuine timely effort to apply for a Category 1 but has been unsuccessful due to the World Sailing website, may be deemed to hold a Category 1. The competitor shall confirm and obtain that Category as soon after the event as possible.

## 25. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact the OA:

The Royal Yacht Squadron

The Castle

Cowes, UK, PO31 7QT

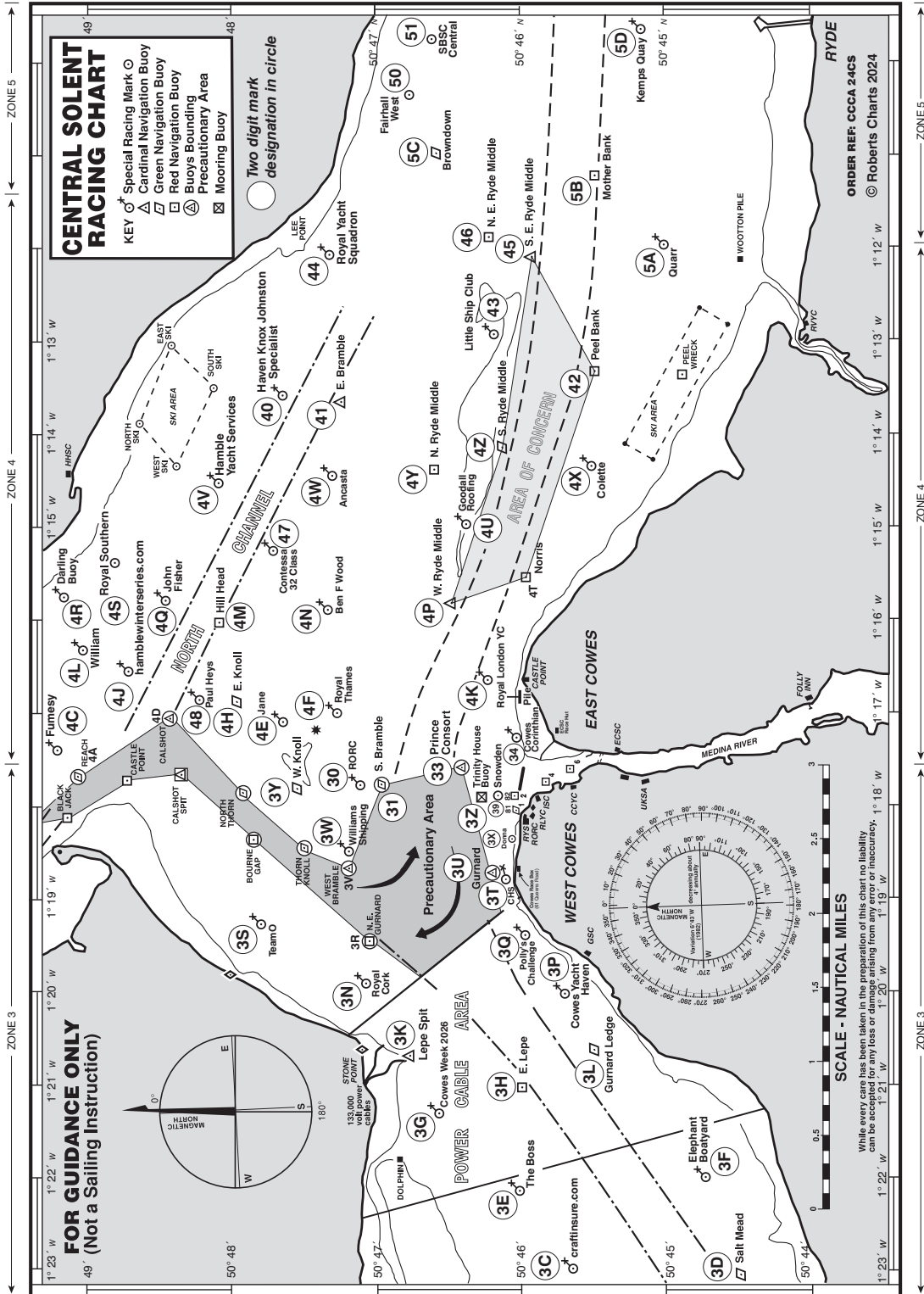
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**NOTICE OF RACE ENDS**

**ADDENDUM A.**

See below a chartlet of the Racing Area showing the Solent Two Character Codes.



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## **ADDENDUM B.**

### **RYA prescriptions that apply -**

#### **Rule 4 Acceptance of the Rules**

Add new rule 4.6:

Each competitor and boat owner shall ensure that their support persons comply with the rules.

Add new rule 4.7:

The penalty for a breach of rule 4 shall be at the discretion of the protest committee.

#### **Rule 6 Anti-Doping**

The national authority procedural rules required to implement the World Anti-Doping Code through World Sailing Regulation 21 are the RYA Anti-Doping Rules, as published on the RYA website.

#### **Rule 67 Damages**

1. Any issue of liability or claim for damages arising from an incident while a boat is bound by The Racing Rules of Sailing shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the courts and not considered by a protest committee.
2. A boat that takes a penalty or retires does not thereby admit liability for damages or that she has broken a rule.

### **Additional RYA prescriptions that apply if no international jury has been appointed.**

#### **Rule 40 Personal Flotation Devices**

When a rule requires a personal flotation device to be worn, the device shall comply with the specifications for the personal flotation devices that the boat is required to carry. If more than one specification applies, the personal flotation device worn shall comply with the highest of them.

#### **Rule 78 Compliance with Class Rules; Certificates**

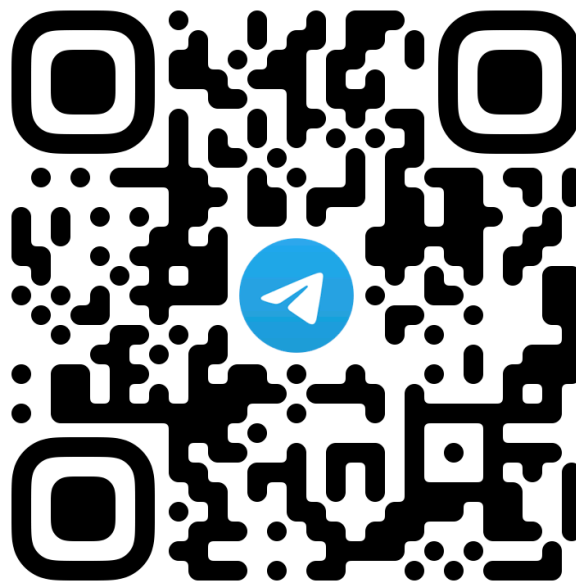
Add new rule 78.3:

The race committee or technical committee may inspect or measure any boat or personal equipment, at any time. Terms in **bold** are as defined in the Equipment Rules of Sailing.

## **ADDENDUM C.**

### **Joining link for Event Messaging System**

<https://t.me/+W3ZOUwGe5RExMjBk>



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