



ROYAL SOUTHERN  
— YACHT CLUB —



# Notice of Race

## Royal Southern Summer Series 2023

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North Sails May Regatta – 7-8 May

Champagne Charlie June Regatta – 3-4 June

Salcombe Gin July Regatta – 8-9 July

September Regatta – 15-17 September

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## Organising Authority: Royal Southern Yacht Club

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule.

### 1. RULES

- 1.1. The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. [NP] Boats shall comply with Southampton & Portsmouth Harbour byelaws where applicable. In particular, notice is drawn to ABP Southampton Notice to Mariners No 06 of 2023.
- 1.3. IRC Rules 2022 parts A, B and C shall apply to boats racing under IRC ratings.
- 1.4. Competitors should note that the Organising Authority implements the RYA Racing Charter and they will be expected to sail in compliance with it.
- 1.5. Boats racing in Black and Red Groups shall comply with the current World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations for Category 4 races. A boat unable to comply in all respects with those requirements may seek a dispensation in writing from the Race Committee.
- 1.6. Boats racing in White and Green Groups shall comply with the Royal Southern Yacht Club Sports Boat and Day Boat Safety Regulations 2023, which will be made available on the Official Noticeboard.

### 2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. Sailing Instructions will be made available before the event on the Official Noticeboard.

### 3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. The Official Noticeboard can be found here: <https://scm.royal-southern.co.uk/event/summer-series>
- 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 (P4).

### 4. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- 4.1. The series is open to the following classes:

Event	Black Group	White Group	Red Group	Green Group
North Sails May Regatta 7-8 May	IRC Classes J/111 HP30	J/70 SB20	Cape 31	-
Champagne Charlie June Regatta 3-4 June	IRC Classes J/111 HP30	J/70 SB20 J/24	-	XOD VPRS IRC Cruiser
Salcombe Gin July Regatta 8-9 July	IRC Classes J/111 HP30	J/70 SB20	-	-
September Regatta (weekend) 16-17 September	IRC Classes J/111 HP30	J/70 SB20 RS Elite	-	-
September Regatta (3 days) 15-17 September	-	-	Cape 31	-

- 4.2. For May and September, Cape 31s should enter via their Class entry system. For June and July, Cape 31s may enter under IRC.
- 4.3. For IRC Classes, the highest eligible IRC rating is 1.360.
- 4.4. For IRC Classes, the rating deadline (as per IRC Rule 8.2.1(c)) is the same as the standard entry deadline. Boats may not change their declaration once submitted. Declarations may be made at the point of entry – or in writing to the Organising Authority. If no declaration is received the higher of her ratings shall apply.
- 4.5. 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).

- 4.6. The Performance 40 Class will race in IRC 1 and be dual-scored with extracted class results for the May and September Regattas.
- 4.7. Any class with fewer than 6 entries, or with fewer than 6 boats on the start line in the first race of a regatta may thereafter be started or amalgamated with another class for the duration of the respective regatta.
- 4.8. Eligible boats may enter here: <https://scm.royal-southern.co.uk/event/summer-series>

## 5. FEES

- 5.1. The Early Entry Deadline is 23:59 on 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2023.
- 5.2. The Closing Date for standard entries will be at 23:59 the Wednesday before the first race entered.
- 5.3. Late entries may be accepted after the Closing Date at the discretion of the OA, subject to an increased Late Entry Fee.
- 5.4. Entry Fees are as follows:

		Whole Series				Individual Regatta	
		Member		Non-Member		Member	Non-Member
Class	Rating Band*	Early	Std	Early	Std		
IRC	TCC>1.069	£ 360.00	£ 425.00	£ 450.00	£ 530.00	£ 155.00	£ 170.00
	0.999<TCC<=1.069	£ 320.00	£ 370.00	£ 400.00	£ 460.00	£ 135.00	£ 150.00
	TCC<=0.999	£ 280.00	£ 315.00	£ 350.00	£ 390.00	£ 120.00	£ 130.00
	HP30	£ 320.00	£ 370.00	£ 400.00	£ 460.00	£ 135.00	£ 150.00
	J/111	£ 360.00	£ 425.00	£ 450.00	£ 530.00	£ 155.00	£ 170.00
	J/70	£ 280.00	£ 315.00	£ 350.00	£ 390.00	£ 120.00	£ 130.00
	SB20	£ 280.00	£ 315.00	£ 350.00	£ 390.00	£ 120.00	£ 130.00
	J/24	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	£ 120.00	£ 130.00
	RS Elite	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	£120.00	£130.00
	XOD	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	£120.00	£130.00
	VPRS	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	£120.00	£130.00
	Late Entry	25% increase on entry rate					

\*Please note that rating bands do not relate to class splits. They are for entry fees only.

- 5.5. **Cape 31** entry fees will be specified on their Class entry system.

## 6. CREW LIMITATIONS

- 6.1. For IRC Classes, IRC 22.4.2 is deleted and replaced by “The maximum number of crew while racing shall be the Crew Number shown on her certificate plus two. There is no weight limit.”

## 7. ADVERTISING

- 7.1. [NP] Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA.

## 8. NOT USED

## 9. SCHEDULE

- 9.1. The Series will consist of four regattas.
- 9.2. Racing for each regatta is scheduled over two days, except that for the September Regatta, Red Group will race over three days.
- 9.3. The scheduled number of races for each class per regatta are as follows:

Class:	Black Group Classes	White Group Classes	Red Group Classes	Green Group Classes
No. Races:	6	10	6 (May) 9 (September)	5

- 9.4. The first warning signal each day will be at 1025. Subsequent races will start as soon as possible after the end of the previous race. On the last day of each regatta, it is the intention for no warning signal to be displayed after 1500. A warning signal may be displayed after 1500 at the discretion of the Race Committee except that no warning signal will be displayed after 1530.

## 10. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 10.1. [NP] 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.
- 10.2. [NP] A boat may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of RRS Appendix G and/or her class rules, provided that the Race Committee has approved, in writing, her sail identification before 1800 on the day before the first race entered. Approval will only be given in exceptional circumstances.

## 11. NOT USED

## 12. VENUE

- 12.1. The racing area will be the Central Solent, with separate race areas for Black Group, White Group, Red Group, and Green Group.

## 13. COURSES

- 13.1. The courses and race area for each Group will be announced on each race day by VHF radio.
- 13.2. The courses to be sailed will be as follows:
  - 13.2.1. Black Group – Windward leeward or ‘round the cans’ with a windward leeward flavour.
  - 13.2.2. White Group – Windward leeward
  - 13.2.3. Red Group – Windward leeward
  - 13.2.4. Green Group – Round the cans
- 13.3. The marks to be used are as described in the 2023 Royal Southern YC Solent Mark Codes, which will be made available on the series webpage - <https://scm.royal-southern.co.uk/event/summer-series>, or as described in the Sailing Instructions.

## 14. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 14.1. RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two Turns Penalty is replaced by the One Turn Penalty (one tack and one gybe). An alternative Time Penalty will be available and will be described in the SIs.
- 14.2. Penalties arising from protests will be at the discretion of the Protest Committee and may be less than disqualification. This changes RRS 64.2.
- 14.3. Penalties while in the zone of the windward mark or on the offset leg, if a spreader mark is laid, shall be delayed and taken at the first reasonable opportunity on the downwind leg. This change is added to RRS 44.2.

## 15. SCORING

- 15.1. RRS Appendix A will apply with the following changes.
- 15.1.1. Each individual weekend regatta is considered a separate series.
  - 15.1.2. For each individual regatta, if less than 4 races are completed; a boat's regatta score will be the total of her race scores. If 4 or more races are completed, her regatta score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
  - 15.1.3. Each boat that enters any of the four individual regattas will be scored in the overall Summer Series; for any regatta that she has not entered she will be scored DNC.
  - 15.1.4. For the overall Summer Series, RRS Appendix A4 is changed such that a boat not competing will be scored either 36 points or one point greater than the number of boats in her class in the overall Summer Series, whichever is greater.
- 15.2. One race is required to constitute a series for both the overall Summer Series and each individual Regatta.
- 15.3. A boat's overall Summer Series score shall be calculated from the total of all Summer Series races, excluding her worst scores as shown:

Races Sailed	Excluded Scores
8 or less	0
9—12	2
13—15	3
16—18	4
19—22	5
23—29	6
30—37	8
38 or more	10

- 15.4. The overall Summer Series Champion will be the boat with the highest score using the RSrNYC High Points Scoring System, details of which will be made available on the series webpage - <https://scm.royal-southern.co.uk/event/summer-series>. The Champion may have raced in any class, in any group.

## 16. SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

- 16.1. [NP] All Support Person Vessels must register with the Race Committee before the entry deadline (NoR 4.4) at which time they will be issued with a Support Person Rules document which they shall comply with.

## 17. NOT USED

## 18. BERTHING

- 18.1. [NP] No berthing is permitted, even temporarily, on the RAFYC Pontoons, or alongside any boats or vessels berthed there.

## 19. NOT USED

## 20. NOT USED

## **21. DATA PROTECTION**

- 21.1. The personal information you provide to the organizing authority will be used to facilitate your participation in the event. If you 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 you are not bound by the rules, the legal basis for processing that personal information is legitimate interest. Your 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, your national authority and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.
- 21.2. By taking part in the event, competitors automatically grant the Organising Authority and any sponsors without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television of our relating to the event.

## **22. RISK STATEMENT**

- 22.1. RRS 3 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 organizer 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 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;
  - 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

## **23. INSURANCE**

- 23.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

## **24. PRIZES**

- 24.1. For each class in each individual Regatta, prizes will be awarded for first, second and third places, except that if fewer than four boats have raced, only first and second place will be awarded prizes. Prizes will be awarded at the end of the weekend's racing.
- 24.2. For each class in the overall Summer Series, prizes will be awarded for first, second and third place, except that if fewer than four boats have raced, only first and second place will be awarded prizes.
- 24.3. A prize will be awarded to the overall Summer Series Champion, chosen as in NoR 10.4.
- 24.4. Prizes for the overall Summer Series will be awarded at the Annual Prize Giving held at the Royal Southern Yacht Club on Saturday 11th November 2023.

## **25. FURTHER INFORMATION**

- 25.1. For further information, please contact:

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