



ROYAL SOUTHERN
— YACHT CLUB —



Notice of Race

Royal Southern Summer Series 2024

North Sails May Regatta – 18-19 May

June Regatta – 7-9 June

July Regatta – 18-21 July

September Regatta – 15-17 September

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 6 of 2024.
- 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 Yellow Groups shall comply with the Royal Southern Yacht Club Sports Boat and Day Boat Safety Regulations 2024, which will be made available on the Official Noticeboard.
- 1.7. In case of a conflict between this document, and a class Notice of Series, this document will take precedence.

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 on the event webpage:
<https://scm.royal-southern.co.uk/event/summer-series-1>
- 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 Sat - Sun	White Group Sat - Sun	Red Group Fri - Sun	Yellow Group Thu - Sun
North Sails May Regatta 18-19 May	IRC Classes J/111 HP30 Sportsboat	-	-	-
June Regatta 7-9 June	IRC Classes J/111 HP30 Sportsboat	-	Cape 31 Round 3 (Fri-Sun)	-
July Regatta 18-19 July	IRC Classes J/111 HP30	J/70 UK Sprint Championships (Sat – Sun)	-	SB20 UK Sprint Championships (Thu) SB20 UK National Championships (Fri-Sun)
September Regatta 15-17 September	IRC Classes J/111 Sportsboat	HP30 UK National Championships (Sat – Sun)	-	-

- 4.2. The Sportsboat class is open to J/70s, SB20s, and RS21s.
- 4.3. For June, Cape 31s should enter via their Class entry system. For other regattas, Cape 31s may enter under IRC.
- 4.4. For IRC Classes, the highest eligible IRC rating is 1.360.

- 4.5. 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.
- 4.6. Other classes may be invited to attend, or may request an invitation to attend by email to sailing@royal-southern.co.uk.
- 4.7. The Performance 40 Class will race in IRC 1 and be dual-scored with extracted class results for the May and September Regattas.
- 4.8. 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.
- 4.9. Eligible boats may enter via the event webpage.

5. FEES

- 5.1. The Early Entry Deadline is 23:59 on 30th April 2024.
- 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>1.059	£380	£450	£475	£560	£165	£180
	0.999<TCC<=1.059	£340	£390	£420	£485	£145	£160
	TCC<=0.999	£295	£330	£370	£410	£130	£140
HP30 (May, June, July)		£350	£400	£430	£495	£145	£160
HP30 (September)						£165	£180
J/111		£380	£450	£475	£560	£165	£180
J/70 (July - 2 days)						£145	£160
SB20 (July - Sprints)						£55	£60
SB20 (July - Nationals)						£220	£240
Sportsboat Class (May, June, September)		£255	£290	£315	£360	£130	£140
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.
- 5.6. Refunds will be issued as follows:
- 5.6.1. If entry is withdrawn by the competitor before the entry deadline, a full refund (less a £10 admin fee) will be issued.
- 5.6.2. If entry is withdrawn by the competitor after the entry deadline, no refund will be issued.
- 5.6.3. If entry is withdrawn by the Organising Authority, or if the Organising Authority decide in advance not to run the event, a full refund will be issued.

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. The scheduled number of races, and the intended time of the first warning signal for each group per regatta are as follows:

Group:	Black	White	Red	Yellow
No. Races:	6	10	9	Sprint Championships (Thu) – 6 National Championships (Fri-Sun) - 9
First warning signal	Sat – 1025 Sun - 1025	Sat – 1025 Sun – 1025	Fri – 1125 Sat – 1025 Sun – 1025	Thu – 1125 Fri – 1125 Sat – 1025 Sun - 1025

9.3. Subsequent races will start as soon as possible after the end of the previous race.

9.4. On the last day of each regatta, no warning signal will be displayed after 1400.

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 each 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. Yellow Group – Windward leeward

13.3. The marks to be used are as described in the 2024 Royal Southern YC Solent Mark Codes, which will be made available on the series webpage, or as described in the Sailing Instructions.

14. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 14.1. For all groups except for the Red Group, RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two Turns Penalty is replaced by the One Turn Penalty (one tack and one gybe).
- 14.2. For Red Group only, 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".
- 14.3. For Black Group only, instead of a One-Turn Penalty, a boat may accept a Scoring Penalty in accordance with RRS 44.3.
- 14.4. Appendix T1 shall apply.
- 14.5. 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 may 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".
- 14.6. Penalties arising from protests will be at the discretion of the Protest Committee and may be less than disqualification. This changes RRS 64.2.

15. SCORING

- 15.1. Each individual regatta will be scored separately. For Yellow Group, the Sprint Championships and National Championships are considered separate regattas.
- 15.2. 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.
- 15.3. In Black Group, any 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.
- 15.4. 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.
- 15.5. One race is required to constitute a series for both the overall Summer Series and each individual Regatta.
- 15.6. 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

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. Individual regatta prizes will be awarded after the completion of racing at the event, at the sole discretion of the Organising Authority.
- 24.2. Prizes for the overall Summer Series will be awarded at the Annual Prize Giving held at the Royal Southern Yacht Club on Saturday 16th November 2024.
- 24.3. Summer Series trophies will be awarded as follows:
 - 24.3.1. Tom Titts Trophy – 1st Cape 31 in June Regatta
 - 24.3.2. Export Woodbine Trophy (Class V) – 1st HP30 in UK National Championships
 - 24.3.3. Gore Challenge Cup – 1st J/70 in July Regatta
 - 24.3.4. Seventh Day Cup – 1st SB20 in UK National Championships
 - 24.3.5. Aisher Bowl – 1st IRC 1 Summer Series overall
 - 24.3.6. Fairhaven Bowl – 1st IRC 2 Summer Series overall
 - 24.3.7. The Bay Cup – 1st IRC 3 Summer Series overall
 - 24.3.8. Export Woodbine Trophy (Class 3) – 1st HP30 Summer Series overall
 - 24.3.9. Wollen Cup – 1st J/111 Summer Series overall
 - 24.3.10. Monty Bradshaw Bowl – 1st J/70 in Sportsboat class Summer Series overall
 - 24.3.11. Secretary's Chalice – 1st SB20 in Sportsboat class Summer Series overall
 - 24.3.12. W.D. & H.O. Wills Trophy – 1st Cape 31 in IRC Summer Series overall

25. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 25.1. For further information, please contact:

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