



DARTMOUTH ROYAL REGATTA SAILING WEEK

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Thursday 26th August to Sunday 29th August 2021

NOTICE OF RACE – YACHTS and DAY SAILING BOATS

Issue 2 (incorporating Amendments 1-2, issued 24th March 2021)

(Please note there is a separate Notice of Race for the stand-alone Passage Race from Torbay to Dartmouth on Wednesday 25th August.)

The Organising Authority implement the RYA Racing Charter and Competitors will be required to undertake to sail in compliance with the Charter which can be found at the front of the RYA rule book (Racing Rules of Sailing) and on the RYA website www.RYA.org.uk

The notation [DP] in a rule means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may be at the discretion of the protest committee. This changes RRS 64.2

The notation [NP] in a rule in the NoR 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*.
- 1.2 The RRS are changed as follows:
 - 1.2.1 RRS 61.1(a). (2) is deleted (all boats regardless of size shall fly a protest flag if required)
 - 1.2.2 RRS63 (Hearings) is amended to allow RYA arbitration.
 - 1.2.3 The Sailing Instructions may also change other RRS.
- 1.3 IRC classes

1.3.1 IRC part C shall apply (advertising permitted)

1.3.2 In accordance with IRC Rule 11 the following are changed:

- (a) Short Handed Ratings shall not be used during the event (IRC rule 8.6 refers).
- (b) Non spinnaker ratings are permitted as described in NoR 4.3.1.
- (c) IRC Rule 15.1 is modified: RRS 52 shall apply.
- (d) IRC Rule 21.1.5 (e) is amended to “Only one mainsail may be used for the duration of the event, unless in exceptional circumstances, written permission is granted by the OA”
- (e) IRC Rule 22.4 shall not apply; there will be no limitations on crew number or weight.

1.4 One Design classes:

1.4.1 One Design classes racing for their own prizes and/or trophies as a separate class shall comply fully with their class rules (or as changed in compliance with RRS87).

1.4.2 Where crew weight or other checks are required, the class association shall be fully responsible for the implementation of these.

1.5 National Squib class: Rule C.10.2(b) shall apply, except that either spinnaker may be used, but only one spinnaker may be used in an individual race. (Change agreed by the Class Association in compliance with RRS 87)

1.6 [DP] Boat identification:

1.6.1 All boats shall have, as a minimum, a sail number on their mainsail, overlapping headsail and spinnaker (except as 1.6.3 below). The specification and position of numbers shall comply with the requirements of RRS appendix G.

1.6.2 All boats, except National Squibs, will be required to display a pennant according to their division or class on their backstay (or by any other means near the stern of the boat, if a backstay is not available), at a height and of a size consistent with the type of boat, except with prior written permission of the OA. The Sailing Instructions will contain a list of pennants.

1.6.3 Boats permitted by their class rules to not have sail numbers on their spinnaker or gennaker are required to display a number dodger or hull number on both sides of the boat, in such a way as to be visible to the race committee when sailing downwind. The specification of the numerals and suffix letters shall be the same as those required by RRS appendix G1.2. The number does not need to include national letters.

1.7 Safety Regulations

- 1.7.1 Boats exceeding 7m LOA shall comply with World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations, Appendix B for Inshore Racing. Boats 7m LOA and less shall comply with the portable equipment section of the same regulations, except they are not required to carry a lifebuoy and drogue.
- 1.7.2 A personal flotation device shall be worn at all times while afloat by crews in National Squib and Day Sailing Boat classes, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. This changes RRS 1.2.
- 1.7.3 Auto-helms shall not be used while racing.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be viewable from 1st August online at www.dartmouthsailingweek.com. The final printable version of the Sailing Instructions will be available from 12:00 on Saturday 21st August. Any amendments after this time will be signalled at RDYC and posted on the online official notice board.

3 COMMUNICATION

IMPORTANT NOTE: It is hoped the majority of entrants can access the internet during the event via a mobile device or other means. Any prospective entrant who is unable to do so should contact the OA at the earliest opportunity.

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at www.dartmouthsailingweek.com
- 3.2 [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channels 16, 37, 72 and 77.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to all boats under 20m LOA. Please also note NoR 12.
- 4.2 The skipper of the boat shall have a minimum age of 18years at the time of the event.
- 4.3 **Classes**
 - 4.3.1 Proposed classes are defined as follows:

Class	Definition	Time correction system	Divisions	Entry as:
IRC	Boats holding an IRC 2021 certificate	IRC	Divisions subject to entries	IRC
IRC non spinnaker	As above wishing to sail as non spinnaker	IRC non spinnaker	Division(s) subject to entries	IRC non spinnaker
Cruiser	Boats having a current YTC* number	YTC*	Divisions subject to entries	Cruiser
Cruiser non spinnaker	As above wishing to sail as non spinnaker	YTC* non spinnaker	Division(s) subject to entries	Cruiser non spinnaker
Day Sailing Boats	e.g. Devon Yawl, Hawk 20, Tofinou 7 and similar	YTC*	Single class	Day Sailing Boat
National Squib	One design	None	Single class	National Squib
Classic Yachts	See below this table	JCH	Separate class(es) subject to entries	Classic
One Designs	Boats conforming to one design rules – See NoR 1.4 and 4.3.2	None	Separate class(es) subject to entries	IRC or Cruiser

* YTC is the South West Yacht Time Correction System – Boats not yet having a current YTC number should apply online at www.swytc.org.uk before entering. This is a free of charge service

CLASSIC YACHTS: For the purposes of this event a Classic Yacht is defined as having a design date before 1975. [NP] More recent boats of classic or traditional design may be accepted at the discretion of the OA, whose decision shall be final. Boats will require a current JCH – see www.jch-online.org

[NP] The OA reserve the right to re-allocate any boat to the most suitable class or division

IMPORTANT NOTE: Classes, divisions and course allocation will be determined immediately before the event taking into account entry numbers, the range of time correction factors and boat types. Full details will be available on online at <http://www.dartmouthsailingweek.com/entries> on Saturday 21st August.

If you are unsure which type/group your boat falls into, please email info@dartmouthsailingweek.com

4.3.2 The minimum number for any class will be at the OA's discretion. IRC/YTC entrants will be informed by email if there are sufficient boats of a particular design to form a one design class.

4.3.3 In the event there are insufficient boats of any proposed class, the entrants will be informed by email and may elect to sail in an alternative class, or cancel their entry and receive a full refund.

4.4 **Entry**

4.4.1 Boats may register their interest in entering the event by completing the Advance Registration online at www.dartmouthsailingweek.com/how-to-enter

4.4.2 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees. Details on how to enter and pay are available online at www.dartmouthsailingweek.com/how-to-enter

4.4.3 The following dates shall apply

Advance Registration opens (no initial fee)	4 th March
Entry opens (fee payable).	1 st June
Advance Registration closes	00:01 on 1 st July
Advance Registration to Entry conversion closes	00:01 on 1 st August

4.5 **Late entries** will be accepted at the daily fee up to 17:00 on the day prior to the race entered, provided where applicable, an IRC, YTC or JCH rating is available.

4.6 **Entry cancellations:** Other than those covered in NoR 4.3.3, prior to 00:01 on 1st August a 4% administration fee (to cover payment charges) will be charged, thereafter 50% until 00:01 on 14th August. Refunds after the latter date will only be made in exceptional circumstances.

4.7 **Event cancellation:** If for any reason associated with the current pandemic, this event is cancelled; entrants will be offered the options of a full refund or to carry over their entry to 2022.

4.8 **Change of class:** Except as noted in 4.3.2 and 4.3.3, change of class after entry may be permitted at the discretion of the OA before 00:01 on 14th August.

4.9 **Rating changes:** In the event of a Rating Authority rating change after an entry has been submitted, boats shall notify the OA as soon as possible and no later than 00:01 on 14th August. No alteration to a rating will be accepted after this date, except as a result of a rating protest, or to correct Rating

Authority errors. Failure to notify a rating change will result in disqualification from all races.

5 FEES

The entry fee is determined by LOA and is irrespective of the class or division a boat will be allocated to.

LOA	Normal Daily Fee	4-day Discounted Entry (if fee received by 00:01 on 1st August)
Over 12.5m LOA	£60	£180
Over 10m to 12.5m LOA	£55	£165
Over 7.5 to 10m LOA	£50	£150
Over 6m to 7.5m LOA	£45	£135
6m and under LOA	£25	£75

For all IRC the LOA to determine the entry fee shall be the LH measurement specified on the boats rating certificate.

For all other classes the LOA to determine the entry fee shall be the length of a box the hull would fit into, excluding pulpit, pushpit, bowsprits and transom hung rudders.

6 ADVERTISING

- 6.1 Advertising may be displayed in accordance with the World Sailing Advertising Code.
- 6.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

7 SCHEDULE

- 7.1 Briefing: A briefing will be held at RDYC at 19:00 on Wednesday 25th August. Attendance in person may be permitted for limited numbers. Arrangements for the briefing, either in person or using Zoom, will be emailed to competitors in advance.
- 7.2 Dates of racing: Thursday 26th to Sunday 29th August inclusive

7.3 Number of races:

Class or division	Races per day scheduled	Races per day maximum	Bay Race (see NoR 7.4)
LOA under 7.5m	2	3	No
LOA 7.5m & over	2	3	Yes
Classic Yachts	2	3	Yes

7.4 Bay Race: Either on Friday or Saturday 'over 7.5m LOA' classes and Classic Yachts may sail a longer coastal race (The Bay Race). On that day those boats will sail one race only, but for scoring purposes, it will count as two races - See section 11 of this NoR for full details of the scoring. If the target number of scheduled races is unlikely to be achieved due to prevailing or predicted weather conditions, the Bay Race may not be held in favour of maximising the number of scheduled races. The Race Committee's decision to run the Bay Race is final and shall not be subject to redress – this amends RRS 62.1(a).

7.5 The earliest scheduled time of the warning signal for each day is 10:25.

7.6 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 13:55.

8 THE VENUE

8.1 NoR Addendum A shows the plan of the event venue.

8.2 NoR Addendum B shows the location of the racing areas.

9 THE COURSES

9.1 There may be up to three course areas in Start Bay.

9.2 At the Race Officer's discretion windward/leeward or triangle + windward/leeward will be laid. Gates may be used at the leeward or windward end of the course.

9.3 The Bay Race for the relevant divisions (see NoR 7.4) may be round navigational marks and features and fixed and specially laid racing marks in Start Bay.

Advisory note:

In the event of lack of wind and/or adverse tide, boats must make their own way to and from the race areas either under their own engine power, or by pre-arranged tow from their own support boat or another competitor. Boats involved in race management are not available to tow competitors.

10 PROTESTS

A mobile phone App will be available for online protest submission and competitors will be encouraged to use this wherever possible.

See www.dartmouthsailingweek.com/single/protests for full details. Protest forms will also be available on request from the OA

11 SCORING

11.1 The Low Points scoring system of Appendix A of the RRS will apply.

11.2 For scoring purposes the Bay Race shall count as two races with equal placing; e.g. a boat finishing second in the race will receive two individual second place scores. As defined in 11.3 below, one or both scores may be excluded to arrive at a boats series score.

11.3 Event Series:

- (a) One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- (b) When four or fewer races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores.
- (c) When five or six races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- (d) When more than six races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst two scores.

11.4 Event Overall Trophies:

A boat's series score shall be used, except if one division has fewer races to count for their series score, then the lesser number of races will be used to compare the series scores of all boats in the divisions competing for the trophy i.e. one or more divisions may exclude their next worst score(s) until the races completed are equalised.

For Overall Trophies RRS A8.2 shall not be used. If a tie remains after the implementation of RRS A8.1, the trophy shall be shared.

11.5 Trophies designated for Royal Dart Yacht Club or Dartmouth Yacht Club boats will be awarded on the basis of the home club declared on the entry form. Only one home club is permissible.

12 BERTHING

Harbour dues, (but not berthing fees) will be waived by Dart Harbour (the harbour authority) from Wednesday to Sunday night inclusive.

The current berthing providers on the river Dart are as follows:

Darthaven Marina – note: Not bookable in advance and max LOA 12.2m and no ‘Mother Ships’).

Dart Harbour – note: Boats over 15m LOA are strongly advised to email info@dartharbour.org or telephone 01803 832337 in advance of the regatta to ensure a berth will be available.

Further information can be found at:

www.dartmouthsailingweek.com/single/information-for-competitors

13 HAUL-OUT & DIVING RESTRICTIONS

[DP] Boats shall not be hauled out during the event except with and according to the terms of written permission of the OA. This restriction also applies to the use of underwater breathing apparatus around boats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the event.

14 DATA PROTECTION

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.

15 RIGHTS TO USE THE NAME AND LIKENESS

By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the organising authority the right to make use and show, at their discretion, any photograph, audio and video recordings and other reproduction of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.

16 RISK STATEMENT

Rule 4 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, committee boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- (f) 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.

17 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3 million per incident or the equivalent. Boats shall provide the OA with their insurance policy provider and policy number, at any time during the event if required to do so.

18 PRIZES

Daily and overall prizes will be awarded according to entries.

Attendance in person at RDYC for prize-givings may be permitted for limited numbers. Arrangements to view prize-givings either in person or using Zoom will be emailed to competitors in advance.

It is intended as far as is practicable to hold prize giving's on the same day as the race involved.

19 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact the OA on 01803-752496 or email: info@dartmouthsailingweek.com

Prior to and during the event an information and help desk will be available at least during the following times.

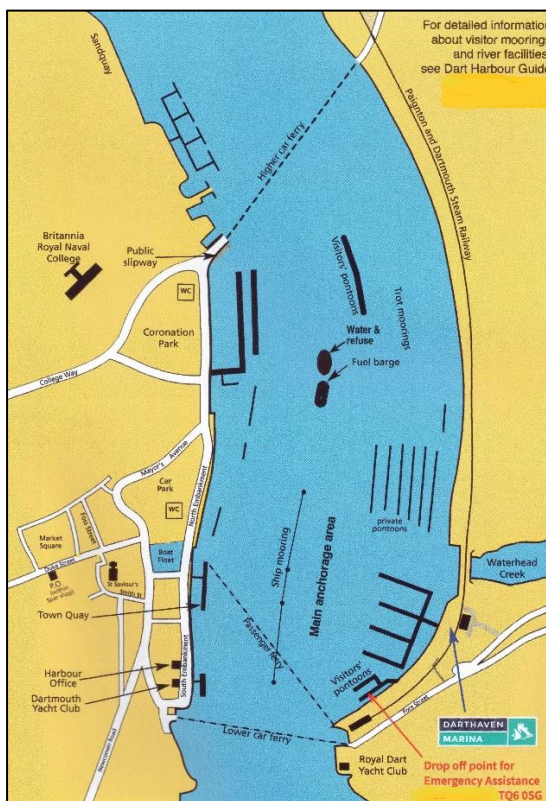
Day	Times
Monday 23rd	10:00 to 16:00
Tuesday 24th	09:00 to 19:00
Wednesday 25th	09:00 to 20:00
Thursday 26th to Sunday 29th	09:00 to 17:00

Arrangements (including whether it will be in person or via electronic means) will be emailed to competitors in advance of the event.

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Addendum A

Plan of Dart Harbour (not to scale)



Addendum B

Course Locations (not to scale)

