

# ROYAL SOLENT YACHT CLUB

# Windward/Leeward Races

SUNDAY 30th April 2017

# NOTICE OF RACE

#### 1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority is the Royal Solent Yacht Club (RSYC)

#### 2. RULES

- 2.1 The event will be governed by the following:
- 2.1.1. The rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 (RRS) subject to permitted changes.
- 2.1.2. This Notice of Race (NoR)
- 2.1.3 RSYC Standard Sailing Instructions 2017 (SSI) and the Supplemental Sailing Instructions 2017 (SuppSI)

# 3. CHANGES TO RACING RULES OF SAILING

- 3.1 In addition to the changes made by the SSI the following RRS are changed:
- 3.1.2 Race Signals by SuppSI 3.
- 3.1.3 RRS 26 (starting signals) by SuppSI 5.1, 5.2 & 5.4.
- 3.14 RRS 35 (time limit) by SuppSI 6.1.
- 3.15 RRS 63.7 (conflicting rules) in the event of conflict between this NoR, the SSI and the SuppSI, the SuppSI or failing that the SSI shall apply
- 3.1.6 RRS App A2 (discarded scores) by NoR10.1

## 4 CHANGES TO CLASS RULES

4.1 All Classes shall comply with their Class Rules except where changed by the SSI

#### 5 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- **5.1** Racing is open to all boats of the following classes:
- 5.1.2 XOD
- 5.1.3 YOD
- 5.1.4 Folkboat

# 6 SCHEDULE

- 6.1 There will be a maximum of 3 races for all classes.
- 6.2 Start times will be as stated in the SuppSI

## 7 **VENUE/RACING AREA**

- 7.1 The venue is RSYC, Yarmouth, Isle of Wight.
- 7.2 Racing will take place in the Western Solent
- 7.3 Starts will be by a Royal Solent Yacht Club committee vessel in the vicinity of Bouldnor Bay.

#### 8 COURSES

Courses will be as defined in the SuppSI and shall in general be short courses using inflatable race marks.

#### 9 RADIO COMMUNICATION

The committee vessel will maintain a listening watch during racing on channel 37.(M1)

#### 10 SCORING

- 10.1 Scoring will be in accordance with as RRS Appendix A Low Point System except that there shall be no discarded score; this changes RRS A.2.
- 10.2 One race is required to constitute a series.

#### 11 RISK STATEMENT.

- 11.1 Rule 4 of the RRS states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race 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 boat 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 the venue or 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) For offshore races, they are responsible for ensuring that their boat is equipped and seaworthy so as to be able to face extremes of 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.

## 12. INSPECTION

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.

#### 13. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be adequately insured with cover of at least £2,000,000 (two million pounds sterling) against third party claims.

## 14. PRIZES

As determined by each Class and awarded at their Annual Dinner



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# SUPPLEMENTAL SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 Notice of Race 1-7, and 9-12 apply to these Sailing Instructions.

#### 2. SCHEDULE OF RACES

## 2.1 Sunday 30 April

Race 1 Folkboats Start 10:00 hrs.

XOD Start 10:03 hrs.

YOD Start 10:06 hrs.

Races 2/3 shall start as soon as practicable after the last boat to finish in the previous race or

15 minutes after the first YOD boat to finish.

In the event of a general recall the recalled Class will start after all other Classes.

No race will start after 12.30hrs on Sunday.

#### 3. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

When Flag AP is displayed ashore the Warning Signal shall not be less than 45 minutes after Flag AP is lowered. This changes RRS Race Signals.

### 4. COURSES and MARKS

- 4.1 Will be laid courses in the Western Solent.
- 4.2 Courses may be as diagram Appendix 1 with all marks to port unless a green flag &/or visual signal is displayed when all marks will be to starboard.
- 4.3 Windward/Leewards with offset marks are intended.
- 4.4 Marks will be orange or yellow inflatable marks.
- 4.5 When two or three diamonds are displayed on the Committee Boat the course shall be sailed two or three times respectively. Boats shall pass through the gate at the end of each round.

# Boats shall not pass though the gate on the downwind leg.

#### 5. THE START

#### 5.1 Starting Procedure

Races will be started on a 3 minute start sequence. Times will be taken from the visual signals.

The sequence of starts will be as below:

Folkboat Class Class Flag F
XOD Class Class flag W
YOD class Class Flag NN2

5.2 A boat shall not start more than three minutes after her starting signal.

- 5.3 Boats whose Warning Signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area.
- 5.4 RRS26 is varied in that a **three minute start sequence** will be used. A **Yellow Baton** will show the minute count down.
- 5.5 Between races an AP may be displayed

Signal	Flag/ Visual	Sound	Minutes before start
			signal
Warning	Class flag I,Z, Z	1 sound	3
	with I or Black flag		
		1 sound	2
One-minute			
		1 sound	1
Starting	Class flag down	1 sound	0

## 6. TIME LIMIT

6.1 The time limit for each race and class will be 45 minutes after the start or 15 minutes after the finishing time of the first boat in the same race/class to finish, whichever is the earlier. This changes RRS 35.

