



**NOTICE OF RACE**  
**Fast 40+ Class Spring Regatta**  
**Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2017**  
**Hosted by the Royal Southern Yacht Club, Hamble, UK.**

The Organising Authority (OA) is the Royal Southern Yacht Club in conjunction with the Fast 40+ Class.

All times are in British Summer Time (BST).

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the NOR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

**1. RULES**

- a. The championship will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017 - 2020* (RRS), including the RYA prescriptions.
- b. The Fast 40+ Class rule will apply. [DP]
- c. Associated British Ports Southampton harbour byelaws 2003. [DP]  
[http://www.southamptonvts.co.uk/admin/content/files/PDF\\_Downloads/Soton%20Byelaws.pdf](http://www.southamptonvts.co.uk/admin/content/files/PDF_Downloads/Soton%20Byelaws.pdf)
- d. If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

**2. ADVERTISING AND BOW NUMBERS**

- a. Advertising is permitted in accordance with class rules and World Sailing Regulation 20.
- b. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and/or supplied by the Organising Authority. [DP]
- c. Bow numbers will be supplied and affixed by the Fast 40+ class association. [DP]

**3. RATING CERTIFICATES**

All boats shall have a valid IRC Endorsed certificate issued by the RORC Rating Office 7 days prior to the event. After this date changes, will only be permitted with the express permission of the OA. [DP]

**4. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY**

- a. The regatta is open to all boats meeting the Fast 40+ class rule.
- b. The boat's owner or charterer shall be a member of the Fast 40+ class association.
- c. Entries will only be accepted via the event website:  
<https://www.royal-southern.co.uk/Afloat/2017/Fast-40-Spring-Regatta>
- d. The closing date for entries is 23:59hrs on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2017.

**5. FEES**

- a. The entry fee for the event is £200, (£180 for members of the Royal Southern Yacht Club).

**6. REGISTRATION**

- a. All boats shall have completed registration before racing, including the following:
  - i. Providing a completed crew declaration form
  - ii. Providing a completed sail declaration form
  - iii. Providing a copy of the endorsed IRC rating certificate
  - iv. Providing proof of insurance (NOR 18)



## 7. SCHEDULE

The intended schedule is as follows:

Date:	Event:
Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup> April HW Portsmouth 12:54 4.7m LW Portsmouth 18:40 0.5m	Racing: First warning signal 11:25hrs Refreshments available after racing at the RSrNYC
Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup> April HW Portsmouth 13:46 4.6m LW Portsmouth 19:27 0.8m	Racing: First warning signal 10:25hrs Prize Giving ASAP after racing at the RSrNYC.

- Six races are scheduled.
- It is intended that there will be no more than three races a day, however, additional races may be sailed on any day to complete the program if weather or other reasons dictate. Further details of the schedule will be provided in the Sailing Instructions (SI'S).
- No warning signal will be displayed after 15:00hrs on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April.

## 8. MEASUREMENT AND INSPECTIONS

Measurement and inspection checks may be conducted during the regatta. 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.

## 9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The SI's will be published on the RSrNYC event page and Fast 40+ class websites by Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April. Copies will be available at registration.

## 10. RACE AREA

The racing area will be The Solent and adjacent waters.

## 11. THE COURSES

A variety of courses will be sailed including windward / leeward using laid marks, round the buoys races. Further details and a list of marks will be included in the Sailing Instructions.

## 12. PROTESTS AND PENALTIES

- Rule 44.1 will be changed by the SI's so that the penalty for a boat breaking a rule in Part 2 shall be a One-Turn Penalty (1 tack and 1 gybe).
- In addition to RRS 44.2 the SI's shall state: A boat may delay taking a penalty whilst a spinnaker is hoisted. No part of a penalty may be taken inside the zone of a rounding mark that begins, bounds or ends the leg that the boat is on when the infringement occurred.

## 13. SCORING

The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply with the following changes:

- One race shall be completed to constitute a series.
- No scores will be discarded.

## 14. BERTHING AND HAULING OUT

- Boats can be berthed at the RSrNYC Prince Philip Yacht Haven during the regatta. Each team is responsible for arranging and payment of the berth.

## 15. RADIO COMMUNICATION



a. Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communications that is not available to all boats. [DP]

**16. PRIZES**

- a. The event prize giving will be held at the Royal Southern Yacht Club on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April at 16:00hrs. Prizes will be awarded to the top three boats.

**17. RIGHTS TO USE NAMES & LIKENESSES**

Competitors automatically grant to the Organising Authority and Fast 40+ class, 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.

**18. INSURANCE**

Each entrant shall ensure that their boat is adequately insured against all third-party claims with a minimum of £3 million cover.

**19. 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, 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 if any is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can practically be 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 or 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 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.

**20. FURTHER INFORMATION**

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