



HAMBLE CLASSICS REGATTA

ROYAL SOUTHERN YACHT CLUB 15th – 16th SEPTEMBER 2018

NOTICE OF RACE (NoR)

**The Organising Authority is the Royal Southern Yacht Club
in consultation with the Hamble Classics Regatta Committee (HCRC)**

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017 – 2020 and the RYA Prescriptions.
- 1.2 The event is to be raced under the principles of the RYA Racing Charter.
- 1.3 The current IRC Rules Parts A, B and C will apply for classes using IRC handicaps.
- 1.4 OGA Handicap Rule will apply for traditional Gaff-Rigged Yachts.
- 1.5 Class rules will apply for one-design class entries and restricted class entries.

2. ADVERTISING

Advertising is permitted in accordance with the class rules and ISAF Regulation 20. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and/or supplied by the Organising Authority.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 Eligible boats may enter within the following categories:

- (a) Yachts and Dayboats including one-design classes – Classic Style and Traditional of pre-1971 design, originally built in traditional wood construction and to include GRP versions of same and with no restriction on build date.
- (b) Yachts of pre-1971 design built only in GRP or Aluminium are invited to request an invitation to enter.
- (c) Gaff Rigged Yachts of traditional style with no restriction on design age, build date or construction. Includes OGA classes, traditional working boats, spirit of tradition, and those designed and built primarily for racing.
- (d) Spirit of Tradition (Modern Classic) Yachts and Dayboats are invited to request an invitation to enter. Accepted entries in this category will race as a separate class or classes or as directed by the HCRC.
- (e) Light displacement/ planing type Yachts & Dayboats of Classic Style (with fixed keel & through-hull rudderstock) are invited to request an invitation to enter.
- (f) International Rule (Metre Rule) class yachts.

- 3.2 In categories (a), (b) & (d), boats shall be of displacement type and single fin keel design (with or without centreboard).

- 3.3 Accepted entries in categories (a) & (b) will be in a single group before class splits are arranged.

- 3.4 In categories (b), (d) and (e), an invitation to enter and the acceptance of entries will be at the discretion of the HCRC whose decision will be final. The inclusion of invited entries will not be subject to protest from other yachts.

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- 3.5 As directed by the HCRC other suitable entries may race with yachts in category (d).
- 3.6 Gaff rigged yachts may elect to race in other appropriate classes at the discretion of the HCRC.
- 3.7 **Size and draft:** Provisionally the length limit for competing yachts is 18 metres Hull Length (HL) and the draft limit is 2.7 metres. However yachts that exceed these figures may request to take part. The decision of the Organising Authority will be final.
- 3.8 **Eligible boats may enter by:**
(a) Providing a completed online entry form by the entry deadline of Monday 10th September 16:00, at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=4648> or by email to: sailing@royal-southern.co.uk
(b) Paying the Entry fee as follows:
Dimensions are Hull Length (LH) not LOA - therefore excludes bowsprit & bumpkin length:
Up to 7 metres Standard Entry £50 Early entry £40
Up to 8 metres Standard Entry £57 Early entry £46
Up to 9 metres Standard Entry £64 Early entry £52
Up to 10 metres Standard Entry £71 Early entry £58
Up to 11 metres Standard Entry £78 Early entry £64
Up to 12 metres Standard Entry £85 Early entry £70
Up to 13 metres Standard Entry £92 Early entry £76
Up to 14 metres Standard Entry £99 Early entry £82
Up to 15 metres Standard Entry £106 Early entry £88
Up to 16 metres Standard Entry £113 Early entry £94
Up to 17 metres Standard Entry £120 Early entry £100
Up to 18 metres Standard Entry £127 Early entry £106
And if accepted for entry:
Up to 19 metres Standard Entry £134 Early entry £112
Up to 20 metres Standard Entry £141 Early entry £118
+ £7 per metre for larger yachts + £6 per metre for larger yachts
- 3.9 **Early Entry Discount:** For entries received on or before Saturday 1st July 2018 there will be a discount on the standard fees (as noted in 3.8).
- 3.10 Late entries may be accepted if received after Monday 10th September 16:00 but will be at the discretion of the Organising Authority. The Late Entry Fee is twice the standard entry fee.
- 3.11 Berthing is not included in the Entry Fees – if required see para 12 below.

4. EVENT SCHEDULE AND FORMAT

- 4.1 Friday 14th September 12:00 to 18:00 Yacht arrivals and Registration
19:00 Welcome Reception – Club Supper available
- Saturday 15th September 08:00 to 08:45 Registration
08:30 Competitor Briefing
10:30 First Warning Signal
Pontoon Rum Party after racing
Race Day Prize Giving
19:00 Hamble Classics Dinner (ticket sale details at the event web page)
- Sunday 16th September 10:30 First Warning Signal
Main Prize Giving after racing - target time 15:00

All times are BST.

- 4.2 The list of entries, handicaps and class splits will be provided at or before 17:00 on Thursday 13th September.
- 4.3 Classes and class starts may be combined in the starting schedule depending on numbers entered.

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- 4.4 For a One-Design class start four or more entries are required, although two boats of the same type when competing in a handicap class may receive a prize for the first boat. Two or more classes may start at the same time as necessary to run the racing effectively.
- 4.5 The Hamble Classics Regatta will consist of up to 4 races for one-design classes, and 3 or 2 races for other classes and will be specified in the Sailing Instructions.
- 4.6 On Sunday, no warning signal will be made after 13:30.
- 5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**
The Sailing Instructions will be available at registration and will be posted on the Royal Southern Yacht Club website events page at or before 17:00 on Thursday 13th September.
- 6 RACE AREAS**
The racing area will be in the Solent and adjacent waters.
- 7 THE COURSES**
A variety of windward-leeward and/or round the buoys courses will be sailed. Downwind or reaching starts may be used for some classes. Further details will be provided in the Sailing Instructions.
- 8 HANDICAPS**
Yachts that wish to race in the IRC divisions will need a current IRC certificate (non-endorsed). Yachts without an IRC rating will be given a 'Regatta' handicap based on data submitted plus other relevant information, and will race in the 'Regatta' class(es). A yacht with an IRC certificate but requesting or requested to join a Regatta class will be given a Regatta handicap. Regatta handicaps will be supplied free-of-charge and yacht data to obtain a handicap will be required at the club office by September 1st. Handicaps for Gaff Rigged Yachts will be provided by the Solent Old Gaffers Association. A measurement form can be obtained from the Royal Southern Sailing Office and will be posted online.
- 9 PENALTIES**
The sailing instructions will change RRS 44.1 so that the penalty shall be a One-Turn Penalty (one tack & one gybe) or an alternative time penalty.
- 10 SCORING**
- 10.1 One race shall be completed to constitute a series. The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply except that there will be no discarded scores, and RRS A8.2 shall not apply.
- 10.2 For the 6-metre, 8-metre, XOD and other one-design and restricted classes, ties unbroken after A8.1 shall be resolved in favour of the boat with the lowest elapsed time for all races added together.
- 10.3 For handicap classes, ties unbroken after A8.1 shall be resolved in favour of the boat with the lowest corrected time for all races added together.
- 11 SAFETY AND COMMUNICATION**
- 11.1 All yachts shall carry a VHF Radio capable of receiving all the usual UK marine channels.
- 11.2 All yachts (other than dayboats) shall comply with World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) for Category 4 races, except that Regulations 3.09.1, 3.09.2 and 3.09.5 regarding cockpit self-draining, water tightness and draining, and height of the cockpit sole, and 3.14 regarding lifelines, stanchions and pulpits, shall not apply. Further dispensations can be requested in writing.
- 11.3 Yachts that normally sail with stanchions and guardwires in place shall not remove them for the regatta.
- 11.4 Dayboats shall comply with the Royal Southern Yacht Club Sports Boat and Day Boat Safety Regulations 2018, except for paragraph 2 (buoyancy), and International Rule and one-design dayboats shall also conform to their class rules.
- 11.5 All participants are advised to wear personal flotation devices (PFDs) and are compulsory when flag Y is displayed.
- 11.6 Anchors stowed on deck shall not protrude over the bow.

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12 BERTHING

Berthing at the Royal Southern Yacht Club may be available. Please contact the Sailing Office:
Tel: 02380 450302 Email: sailing@royal-southern.co.uk
Berthing rates are charged on length overall (LOA) to include bowsprits, bumpkins, etc.

13 PRIZES

Overall series awards based on the cumulative scores for the event will be awarded at the prize giving to first, second and third place boats in each class after the final race. Other awards and trophies may be presented.

14 RISK STATEMENT

- 14.1 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 if any, 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 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 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, in date, and is familiar to the crew; and
 - (i) Their boat is adequately insured, with cover of at least £3 million against third party claims.
 - (j) Any inspection of a boat by the race committee does not reduce the responsibilities set out in this Notice of Race.

15 RIGHT & COPYRIGHT

- 15.1 In participating in the Hamble Classics Regatta any competitor automatically grants the Organising Authority permission to make, use and show, from time to time, any motion pictures and live, taped or film television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the event without compensation, in perpetuity.
- 15.2 Hamble Classics is a registered trademark of Jonty Sherwill. All rights reserved.

16 FURTHER INFORMATION

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