

Royal Yorkshire Yacht Club

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Royal Yorkshire Yacht Club Regatta 2018
Saturday 4^h August to Saturday 11th August 2018

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by:
 - 1.1.1. the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*
 - 1.1.2. the prescriptions of the RYA, and its Racing Charter
 - 1.1.3. *the class rules relevant to any competing boat*
- 1.2. In the event of conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail. This changes RRS 63.7.
- 1.3. Racing rule RRS 77 will be changed as follows: A boat shall comply with the requirements of Appendix G governing class insignia, national letters and numbers on sails. In extenuating circumstances, a boat may be permitted to display a distinguishing number other than that required by Appendix G. All such requests must be made in writing to the race committee. Failure to do this may result in a boat scoring DNC for the affected and all successive races. Racing rule RRS 63.7 will be changed as follows: If there is a conflict between a rule in the notice of race and one in the sailing instructions that must be resolved before the protest committee can decide a protest or request for redress, the rule in the sailing instructions shall prevail. Racing rules 32.1, A4.1, 66, 62.2, 35, A4, and A5 will also be changed by the Sailing Instructions herein.
- 1.3.1. Class rule changes. Under RRS 87, rule C.10.2(a) of the National Squib class rules is changed as follows: not more than 1 mainsail, 1 jib, and 2 spinnakers shall be carried aboard whilst racing.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board, located in the clubhouse.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it takes effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 20.00hrs on the day before it will take effect.
- 3.2. Oral changes to course and sailing instructions may be given on the water.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed from the official flagpole in front of the clubhouse.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in race signal AP. This changes Flag AP in Race signals.
- 4.3. When Flag Y is displayed either ashore or on the Committee Boat, rule 40 applies at all times whilst afloat. This changes part 4, preamble.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1. Races are scheduled as set out in the RYYC 2018 Regatta Sailing Programme 4th August to 11th August.
- 5.2. Reserve days may be used if races are not completed as scheduled or if the Sailing Group considers it unlikely that races will be completed as scheduled.
- 5.3. One extra race per day may be sailed, provided that no class becomes more than one race ahead of schedule.
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6. CLASS FLAGS

- 5.5. Cruiser A will be Flag "A"
Cruiser B will be Flag "B" in the event only one cruiser class is utilised Flag "B" will be used

Y.O.D will be Flag "E"

Squib will be Squib class insignia on an orange background Contessa 26

will be Flag "D"

6. RACING AREA

- 6.1. The racing area with the exception of coastal races will be within 3 nautical miles of Bridlington Harbour.
- 6.2. Competitors are advised to refer to Imray chart C29 for further details.
- 6.3. Every effort is made to maintain the racing marks on station and avoid printing errors but the information on the RYYC Mark Positions V3 is for guidance only and mistakes will not be eligible for redress. It is the responsibility of each competitor to check the actual position of the racing marks and the course bearings given on the course charts.

7. MARKS

- 7.1. Marks T1, T2 &, T3 will be inflatable buoys.
- 7.2. Mark S will be a stick mark with an Orange flag.
- 7.3. Mark F will be a stick mark with a Blue flag.
- 7.4. RYYC marks located at positions detailed in "201 RYYC Mark Positions V1" and is available at www.ryyc.org.uk. Errors in these positions shall not be grounds for redress.

8. COURSES Committee Boat Race

- 8.1. The diagrams in appendix A,B and C shows the courses, including the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 8.2. Classes C&E shall use course 1 with T1 as the windward mark.
- 8.3. Classes A/B&D shall use course 2 or 3 with T2 as the windward mark. The committee boat will display which course is to be sailed and which RYYC marks are to be used.
- 8.4. T3 if laid may be passed either side immediately after the start on the first windward leg.
- 8.5. No later than the warning signal, the race committee boat may display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg. Errors, omissions, or lack of this bearing will not be grounds for redress under any circumstances.
- 8.6. Races will be shortened in accordance with one of the two methods defined in SI 8.7
- 8.7. A race may be shortened by a boat displaying flag S at a mark or start of the subsequent leg and making repeated sound signals. This means, 'after rounding this mark, boats whose class flag is displayed on the race committee boat beneath flag F shall proceed to the finish line, passing T3 to port before crossing the line'. Alternatively, a race may be shortened by the race committee boat in accordance with RRS 32.2. This changes RRS 32.1.
- 8.8. The target time for the first boat to finish is 90 minutes but failure will not provide grounds for competitors to seek redress.
- 8.9. Elapsed times will be taken on each rounding of the T3 mark so that a result may be calculated in the event of the race being shortened through lack of wind or lack of finish line.

Coastal Race

- 8.10. A race adopting one of the Coastal Courses (2017 Revision) starting from the Pier End. Coastal Courses may be displayed by way of a red or a green numeral tile. The colour of the numeral is of no relevance to the course to be sailed. A Coastal Race may include a Bay Course after the Coastal Course in which case the bay course letter will be displayed below the coastal course numeral, and the bay course shall be commenced from Mark No 1 at the end of the coastal course, irrespective of the start line denoted on the RYYC Course Chart (2017 Revision).
- 8.11. The course for Class A/B shall apply to all classes scheduled to sail a coastal race and do not have course tiles displayed from their appropriate hoist at the warning signal.
- 8.12. In the event of there being only one boat entering a coastal race from any particular class, such boat may compete in B class under BHS.

Bay Race

- 8.13. A race adopting one or more of the courses designated on the RYYC Course Chart (2017 Revision) starting from the Pier End. The course to be sailed shall be indicated by a letter on a white background ("tiles") signalled from the appropriate class course board, which will refer to a course detailed on the RYYC Course Chart (2017 Revision) Each course shall end with Mark No 1. (Note: In the event that Mark No 1 is missing or is a long way off station, Mark No 2 or Mark No 9 may be used as a finishing mark and in that event the sequence would then end with 2 or 9). Each time a yacht completes the sequence shall be a "round". The highest tile represents the first course (round) to be sailed, with each following course (round) being

indicated on the tile below. Marks will be rounded to port if shown in red on the RYYC course chart and to starboard if shown in green.

8.14. Class course boards are identified at the top by a coloured tile representing the Class flag, several class tiles may be shown on a single board, however if all classes are to sail the same course a tile indicating Class F will be shown. In the event that the race control is unmanned for whatever reason, an appropriate course will be determined more than 30 minutes in advance of the race start which will apply to all classes. All competitors will be made aware by communication over VHF Channel 37/M1. Normal pier-head rules will apply, except that class course boards and signalling flags may not be in use. A boat will be nominated to operate the start procedure and will sound the appropriate signals, and also determine and action course shortening if appropriate.

8.15. Competitors shall start their own stopwatch at the race start signal, and shall record their elapsed time when crossing the finish line. Alternatively, GPS derived finishing times may be used if appropriate.

Times to be given to the duty boat as soon as possible after the last boat finishes. Communication by VHF Channel 37/M1 for the purpose of operating the un-manned race control procedure is permitted.

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9.1. Races will be started using rule 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.

9.2. The starting line will be between the mast on the committee boat displaying an orange flag and the port end starting mark, which will be a stick mark with an orange flag (mark S).

9.3. A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4.1.

10. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

10.1. Any change to the position of a mark will be in accordance with RRS 33.

11. THE FINISH

11.1. The finishing line will be between the mast on a race committee boat displaying a blue flag at the starboard end and the port end finishing mark, which will be a stick mark with a blue flag (mark F).

12. PENALTY SYSTEM

12.1. In the E & D classes, if a boat has broken one or more rules of part 2 in an incident whilst racing, then a boat shall take a one turn penalty. This changes RRS 44.1

13. TIME LIMITS

13.1. If no boat has rounded their respective windward Mark (T1 or T2) within 120 minutes the race will be abandoned.

13.2. The time limit for the first boat in each race shall be 160 minutes.

13.3. Boats failing to finish within 45 minutes after the first boat finishes will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

14. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

14.1. Protest forms are available at the race office, located in the clubhouse. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

14.2. The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat in the last race of the day reaches its moorings, or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.

14.3. Notices will be posted on the official notice board no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located in the clubhouse, beginning at the time posted.

14.4. Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted on the official notice board, in accordance with rule 61.1(b).

14.5. A list of boats that, under instruction 14.3, have been penalised for breaking rule 42 will be posted on the official notice board no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit.

14.6. On the last scheduled day of racing, a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes rule 66.

14.7. On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

15. SCORING

- 15.1. The scoring system of Appendix A 'Low Point System' shall apply.
- 15.2. When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. When 10 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst 2 scores.

16. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 16.1. Personal floatation devices must be available on board.
- 16.2. A boat that retires from a race shall inform the Committee Boat at the earliest possible opportunity.

17. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 17.1. A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by the race committee to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

18. SUPPORT BOATS

- 18.1. Support boats shall not be allowed within the racing area.

19. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 19.1. Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta, except with permission of the race committee (e.g. to inspect and repair damage).
- 19.2. Any boat permitted by the Race Committee to be removed from the water to inspect damage and/or effect repairs shall not be scrubbed or cleaned below the water line other than is necessary to effect repairs and must be re-launched as soon as possible.

20. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

- 20.1. Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around boats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

21. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 21.1. Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio communications while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
- 21.2. The Race Committee may make use of VHF Channel 37/M1 to make announcements to competitors, including during the pre-start period. Any announcement, or failure to make such an announcement, shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62

22. PRIZES

- 22.1. Prizes shall be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

23. ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION

- 23.1. A boat shall not cause or negligently allow containers, wrapping, fruit peel or cores to enter the water and shall use her best efforts to recover any item that enters the water.

24. LOCAL VARIATIONS

- 24.1. Bridlington beach is a popular beach for swimmers in the summer months and all competitors should keep well clear of anyone in the water. These are classed as an obstruction and an early call should be made for water, in order to give them a wide berth, to any boat that may prevent you from keeping well clear.
- 24.2. The Race Officer will endeavour to set the course such that there will be no need to get close to the shore, but this is not always possible due to the wind direction. However, there is a local bye-law which makes the shoreline a Prohibited Area within 50 yards of the shoreline in the swimming designated area's.
- 24.3. The 2014 storm water outfall buoy in the South bay shall not be an obstruction to sea. Competitors are advised there is restricted depth over the diffuser head inside the outfall buoy.
- 24.4. The North Pier and Salmon nets in the South bay are obstructions to sea room

25. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 25.1. Nothing done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of each owner/competitor nor will it make the organisers responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury, however it may have occurred as a result of the boat taking part in the racing. The organisers encompasses everyone helping to run the race and

the event and include the Organising Authority, the Race Committee, the Race Officer, patrol boats and beach masters.

25.2. The provision of patrol boats does not relieve each owner/competitor of his/her responsibilities.

26. IDENTIFICATION AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RISK

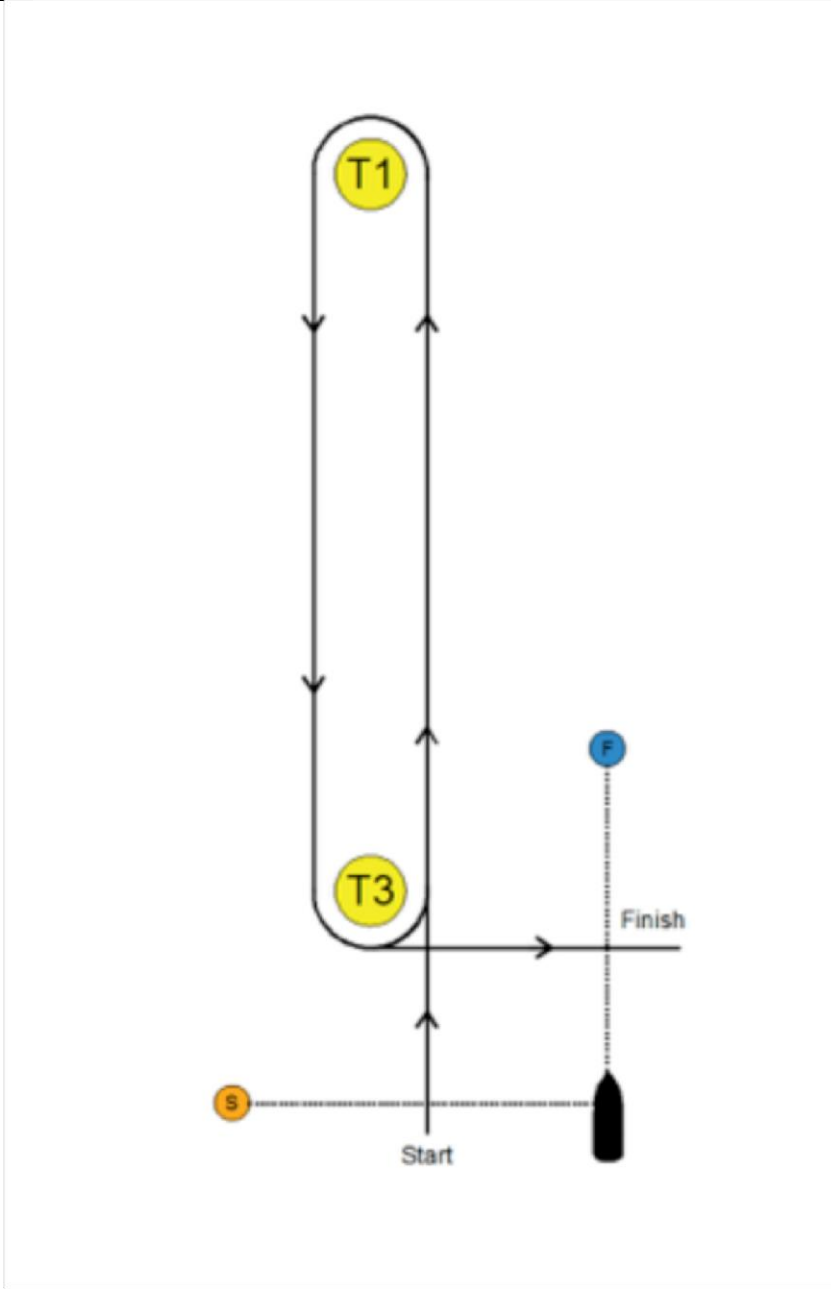
26.1. Each owner/competitor is entirely responsible for the boats' own safety and the safety of its crew, whether the boat is afloat or ashore, and nothing, whether in this Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions or anywhere else, reduces this responsibility.

27. INSURANCE

27.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 or equivalent, for the total period of the event.

Appendix A- Course Diagram

Course 1 classes C&E



Rounding Order

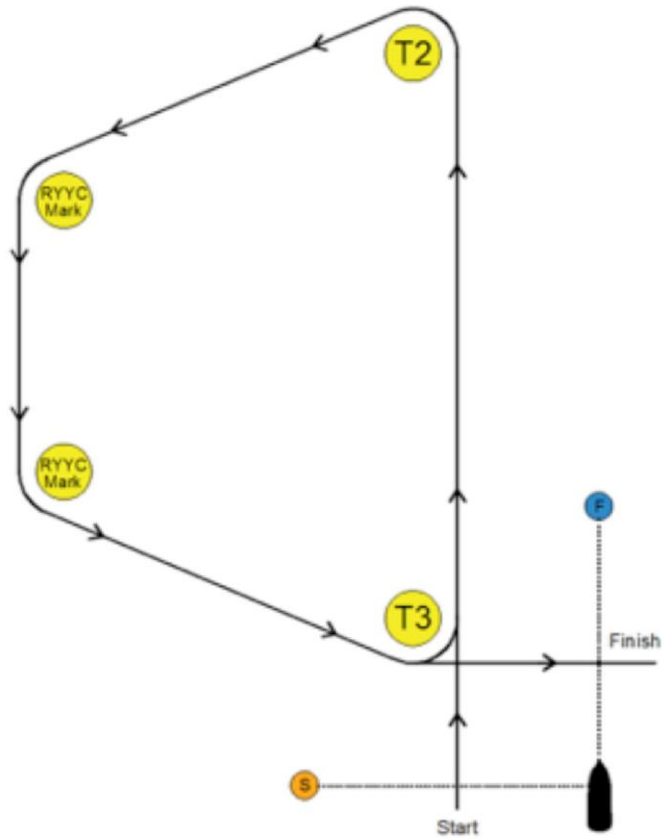
T1(p), T3(p)
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Where (p) indicates the buoy should be rounded to port.

T3 if laid may be passed either side immediately after the start on the first windward leg.

Appendix B- Course Diagram

Course 2 Classes A/B&D



Rounding Order

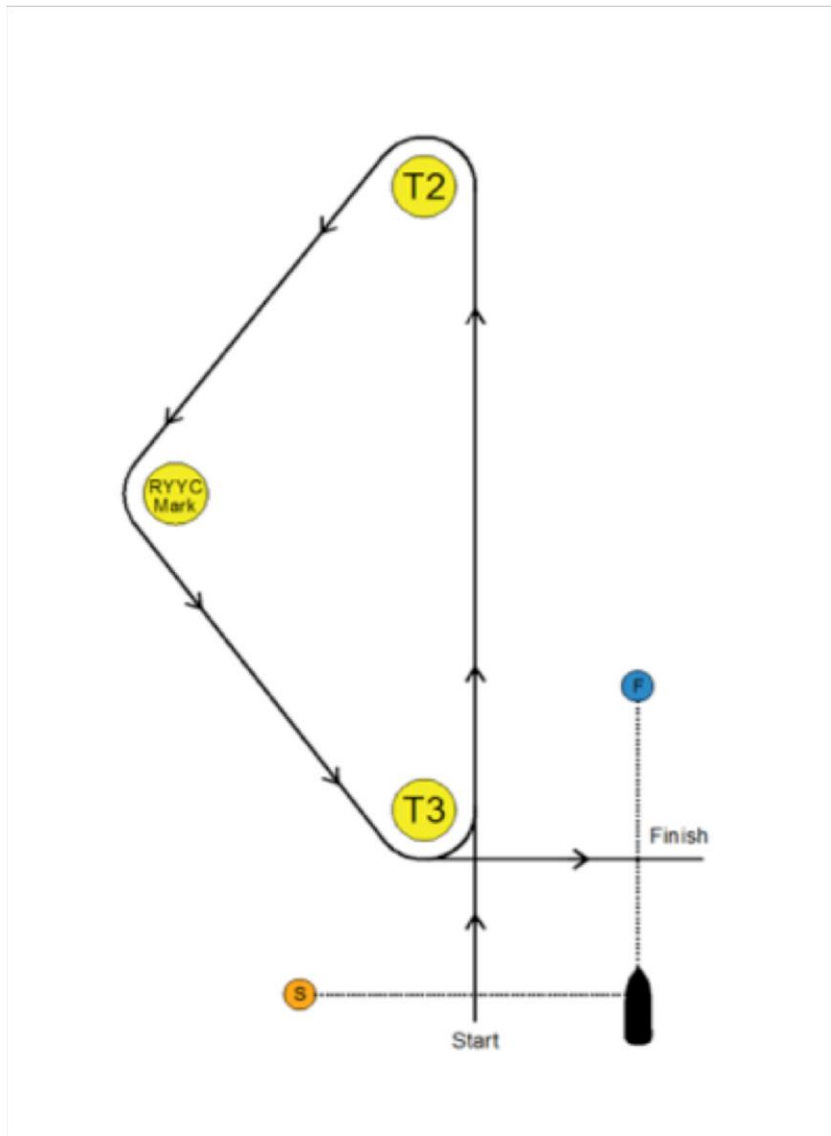
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T2(p), RYYC Mark(p), RYYC Mark(p), T3(p)
T2(p), RYYC Mark(p), RYYC Mark(p), T3(p), F

Where (p) indicates the buoy should be rounded to port.

T3 if laid may be passed either side immediately after the start on the first windward leg.

Appendix C- Course Diagram

Course 3 Classes A/B&D



Rounding Order

- T2(p), RYYC Mark(p), T3(p)
- T2(p), RYYC Mark(p), T3(p)
- T2(p), RYYC Mark(p), T3(p), F

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