DARTMOUTH ROYAL REGATTA SAILING WEEK

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Thursday 26th August to Sunday 29th August 2021

Wednesday 25th August 2021

PASSAGE RACE
BRIXHAM to DARTMOUTH
SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

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*

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 18:00 on Tuesday 24th August 2021.

2.2 In the event of forecast adverse weather, Abandonment of the race will be posted at the earliest opportunity. Boats are advised to check the online notice board prior to leaving their home port for Brixham. This does not preclude later Abandonment up to the scheduled first warning signal.

3 COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS

3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official online notice board located at www.dartmouthsailingweek.com/noticeboard

3.2 The race office is located at the Royal Dart Yacht Club (RDYC).

3.3 On the water, the race committees intend to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF channel 72.

3.4 The following communications will be made by the race committee on the above VHF channel:

Time Checks
Changes to starting sequence
Course

3.5 The following communications may be made by the race committee on the above VHF channel and in addition to flag signals where appropriate:

Postponement
Abandonment

3.6 [DP] While racing from the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4 CODE OF CONDUCT

4.1 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the signal station of Brixham Yacht Club (BYC) at Battery Point, Brixham.

6 RACE SCHEDULE & CLASS FLAGS

6.1

Class	*Class Pennant (Mandatory to display – NoR1.4.2)*	*Scheduled Warning signal*
IRC	Numeral 1	13:55
IRC non spinnaker	Numeral 5	
Cruiser	Numeral 0	14:00
Cruiser non spinnaker	Numeral 7	
Classic Yachts	Flag O (Oscar)	14:05

6.2 The warning signal is 5 minutes before each class start.

7 RACING AREAS

7.1 The racing area is the English Channel between Brixham and Dartmouth including Torbay and Start Bay.

8 COURSES

8.1 The course to be sailed by each class will be advised by VHF radio channel 72 at 13:40 and again following a time check at 13:45. Classes may not all sail the same course. The course to be sailed may also be repeated at the warning signal for each class. Failure by a boat to hear such VHF transmissions shall not be grounds for request of redress. (This changes RRS 60.1(b) and 62.1 (a)).

8.2

Course letter	*Mark Rounding Order – All marks to be left to Starboard*	*Approx. distance*
A	Start - Berry Head - RDYC Buoy 4 - Finish	8.0nm
B	Start - Berry Head - RDYC Buoy 2 - Finish	8.8nm
C	Start - Berry Head - Skerries Buoy - Finish	14.0nm

9 MARKS

9.1

Name	*Description*	*Position*
Brixham Outer Distance Mark (ODM)	Buoy with red flag	50° 24.4 N, 3° 31.3 W
RDYC 2	Yellow conical buoy with number 2	50° 18.7 N, 3° 33.4 W
RDYC 4	Yellow conical buoy with number 4	50° 19.6 N, 3° 32.4W
Skerries	Red Lateral navigation buoy	50° 16.3 N, 3° 33.7 W
Castle Ledge	Green Lateral navigation buoy	50° 20.0 N, 3° 33.1W

10 OBSTRUCTIONS

10.1 While racing boats shall not pass between any of the following:

The shore and each of the following: Cod Rock, Mewstone Cardinal Buoy, West Rock Cardinal Buoy, Western Blackstone Rocks, Coombe Rocks, Dancing Beggars Rocks.

It is strongly recommended these areas are also avoided when not racing.

11 THE START

11.1 The starting line will be between the flagstaff at Battery Point, Brixham and the Brixham ODM (on an approximate bearing of 340 degrees).

11.2 [DP] Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.

11.3 A boat that does not start within 10 minutes of her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2

11.4 [NP] RRS 30.2 is changed as follows – If Flag Z has been displayed, the penalty for a boat infringing the rule shall be 20 minutes added to her elapsed time. **Boats infringing the rule do not need to re-cross the start line.** A boat shall not be penalised if the race is restarted.. If disproportionate advantage is gained, the boat will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1, A4 and A5.

12 THE FINISH

12.1 The finishing line is between Castle Ledge Buoy on the starboard end and a Race Committee Boat displaying a Blue Flag at the port end, approximately 75m away and approximately on the transit of the RDYC masts on Blackstone Point. All boats shall note their own finish time by local GPS time (UTC+1), and position in relation to other boats. This information may be requested by the Race Committee.

12.2 If the Race Committee Boat is absent when a boat finishes, she shall report her finishing time (with Castle Ledge Buoy to Starboard and crossing the transit of the RDYC masts on Blackstone Point), and her position in relation to nearby boats, to the Race Committee at RDYC at the first reasonable opportunity.

13 PENALTY SYSTEM

13.1 RRS 44.1 and 44.2 shall apply.

14 TIME LIMIT

14.1 The time limit for all classes is 18:00. Yachts finishing after this time will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

15 HEARING REQUESTS

15.1 The Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration procedures of the RYA Rules Disputes procedures shall apply. The outcome of RYA Arbitration can be referred to a protest committee, but an arbitration cannot be reopened or appealed. See the Official Notice Board for details.

15.2 All RRS part 2 protests will initially be dealt with by the RYA Arbitration Procedure as soon after the protest time limit as practicable, after which the protest hearing schedule will be posted on the official notice board.

15.3 Protest forms are available from the race office at RDYC or can be downloaded from www.dartmouthsailingweek.com/Race-documents or www.rya.org.uk . Registration of a protest can be made via mobile phone and competitors are encouraged to use this facility whenever possible.

15.4 The protest time limit is one hour after the last boat finishes the race.

15.5 Notices of protests by the race or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).

15.6 RRS 64.2 is changed: Except for infringements to parts 1 and 2 of the RRS, in the case of an infringement to the RRS the protest committee may decide what penalty to apply, including no penalty.

16 SAFETY REGULATIONS

16.1 Safety regulations are detailed in NoR 1.5.

16.2 [DP] A boat that retires from the race shall notify the Race Committee at RDYC at the first reasonable opportunity.

16.3 In the event of injury to any crew member, the skipper is responsible for taking appropriate action and if necessary contacting the coastguard for assistance.

17 REFUSE DISPOSAL

17.1 Refuse disposal facilities are available ashore or in the skips on the Dart Harbour pontoon immediately North of the Fuel Barge.