

Royal Temple Yacht Club Notice of Race 2012



The organising authority for each day of racing will be The Royal Temple Yacht Club

Notice of Race 2012 for IRC and Cruiser classes.

Version 1.0

1. RULES

- 1.1 The events will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 IRC Classes shall comply with IRC Rules 2012 Parts A, B and C, but excluding IRC rules 21.1.5(d) and (e) and rule 22.4 and also comply with ISAF Offshore Special Regulations covering minimum equipment and accommodation Standards Category 5 including Part C plus a means of propulsion other than the boat's sails and VHF Radio except Offshore Series will be Category 4.
- 1.3 Cruiser Classes shall comply with Royal Temple Yacht Club minimum safety equipment rules, attached as Appendix to Notice of Race.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Rights to use names and likenesses
Competitors automatically grant to the Organising Authority, 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.
- 2.2 Sponsor's Logos
If competitors are issued with material by the Organising Authority bearing a sponsor's logo or advertising they shall display such material as instructed.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The events are open to all boats over 18ft in length divided into the following handicap classes:-
 - 3.1.1 Boats with a current IRC Certificate (excluding boats with a Dayboat endorsement) and with a minimum SSS of 10 or ISO Design Category C (min IRC STX, min AVS 90 and SR Category 4).
Provisional Rating Bands:-
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Class 1 0.921 and above
Class 2 0.920 and below
 - 3.1.2 Class 3 Fast cruiser class without spinnakers. This is intended for the less serious racer with non high tech sails and the use of spinnakers is prohibited. Boats competing in this Class may sail a longer course than Class 4 and will be issued an RTYC Handicap TCF figure by the Race Committee. Handicaps may be adjusted to maintain the spirit of this class.
 - 3.1.3 Class 4 Slow cruiser class without spinnakers. This is intended for the less serious racer with non high tech sails and the use of spinnakers is prohibited. Boats competing in this Class may sail a shorter course than Classes 3 and will be issued an RTYC Handicap TCF figure by the Race Committee. Handicaps may be adjusted to maintain the spirit of this class.
- 3.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the official entry form available from either the address shown on the last page of the Notice of Race, or from the event website www.rtyc.com
Competitors entering via the on line form on the event web site will also be required to sign an entry form at the RTYC office.
- 3.5 A boat entering any one of the qualifying races shall be deemed to have entered for the remaining races in the series.
- 3.7 The Race Committee may, at their discretion, allocate divisions of any class according to the handicap rating
- 3.8 Additional classes may be added by the Race Committee at their discretion.
- 3.9 Starts may have to be shared with other classes.

4. SCHEDULE

4.1 Racing is scheduled as per the race programme in Appendix 2

5. MEASUREMENT

5.1 The Race Committee may inspect any boat or her equipment, sails and rating certificate before, during or after the races.

5.2 One design classes shall comply with their own class rules, except for crew/weight limitations.

5.3 Class identification flags must be flown on the backstay of each boat whilst racing.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available on the official web site www.rtyc.com and in hard copy at registration. A list of current entries may also be available on the web site.

7. COURSES

Each race will start from a Committee Boat or the RTYC Club starting line and will be sailed around buoys in the English Channel waters between East Margate and South Foreland.

8. SCORING

8.1 The low points scoring system of Appendix A of the Racing Rules of Sailing will apply.

8.2 All Times will be corrected to the nearest second to determine finishing place.

10. RADIO COMMUNICATION

10.1 Except in an emergency a boat shall neither make radio communication while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

10.2 The following VHF channels will be used by the RTYC-

Port Control	Channel 14
Dock Office	Channel 80
Temple Race Hut	Channel 72 (Club Start Line)
Offshore One	Channel 77 (Committee Boat)

11. PRIZES AND TROPHIES

11.1 Classes prizes will awarded for each series and overall for the season

12. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

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

12.2 It is for each owner/competitor to decide whether the boat is fit to sail in the conditions in which it will find itself. By launching or going to sea, the owner/competitor confirms that the boat is fit for those conditions and that its crew is competent to sail and compete in them.

12.3 Each owner/competitor is responsible to ensure that the 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 that the crew know how to use it.

12.4 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 encompass everyone helping to run the race and the event, and include the Organising Authority, the Race Committee, the Race Officers, patrol boats and Beach masters.

12.5 The provision of patrol boats does not relieve the owner/competitor of his/her responsibilities.

12.6 Competitors participate in the events entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The Royal Temple Yacht Club will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, or prior to, during, or after the events.

13. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with sufficient insurance cover to meet all or any claims and with a minimum cover of £2,000,000 (GBP) in respect of third party claims.

14. SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

14.1 Admiralty Charts – 1828, 1607 or 1183 (South Thames Estuary or Thames Estuary). 1827 may also be useful (Approaches to Ramsgate), but it is not essential. Laminated Check Charts may be included in the race pack issued at registration. A waypoint list will be available in the race pack and displayed on the clubs website prior to the first race.

14.2 The approach to Ramsgate for commercial traffic is from the east via a well-marked deep-water channel. This is used by large ferries all small craft are advised to keep well clear of such vessels and to proceed via the recommended yacht track to the South of the buoyed channel when approaching or leaving Ramsgate. All yachts should maintain a listening watch on VHF Channel 14. A small craft holding area is in operation to the north of No. 3 buoy and to the south of the southern breakwater. Outer Harbour – Yachts must motor directly through the turning circle area when entering and leaving the Harbour.

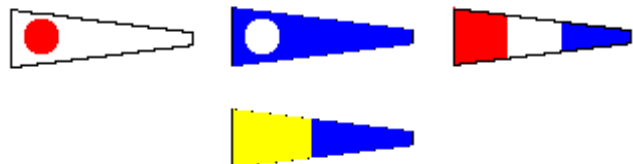
14.3 The gate to the inner marina is open for approximately two hours either side of high water. By day a red and yellow flag and by night a single green light is displayed above the Dock Office to indicate that the dock gate is open.



17. FURTHER INFORMATION

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Class racing for the following classes:



www.rtyc.com for further information

<http://www.rtyc.com>

APPENDIX 1

ROYAL TEMPLE YACHT CLUB

Minimum Safety Equipment Rules for Cruisers

1. **Buoyancy**
Boats shall either be self-righting from 60 degrees or have enough reserve buoyancy to support the boat and crew for at least 30 minutes following a capsized. Boats shall be equipped with suitable means for bailing or pumping.
2. **Flares**
Boats shall carry, in a waterproof pack, at least two red hand flares and two orange smoke flares.
3. **Fire Extinguisher**
Boats carrying engine or cooking fuel shall carry a fire extinguisher and a stout bucket of 9 litres minimum capacity attached to a lanyard.
4. **Personal Buoyancy and Man Overboard**
 - 4.1 Boats **without** lifelines or with lifelines which do not meet ISAF Offshore Special regulations Category 4 shall have personal buoyancy for each crew member at least sufficient to comply with RRS 40. Personal buoyancy shall be worn by all crew members at all times whilst racing.
 - 4.2 Boats **with** lifelines which meet ISAF Offshore Special regulations Category 4 shall carry personal buoyancy or lifejackets for each crew member. Boats shall also carry a rescue quoit or throw bag with at least 15m of floating line and at least one lifebuoy or life sling.
5. **First Aid**
Boats shall carry a waterproof first aid pack with instructions.
6. **Anchor**
Boats shall carry a suitable anchor and sufficient warp to hold the boat in 15m depth of water in the expected racing conditions.
7. **Compass**
Boats shall carry a suitable compass – handheld is acceptable.
8. **Equipment**
All equipment, fittings and engines shall be securely fastened.
9. **Propulsion**
A means of propulsion, other than the boat's sails, is to be provided.
10. **Communication**
Fixed or handheld VHF must be carried at all times.