



ROYAL WESTERN
YACHT CLUB OF ENGLAND

RC1000 Class

NOTICE OF RACE

Event 1: 15th and 16th May 2021

Event 2: 12th and 13th June 2021

Event 5: 25th and 26th September 2021

Organising Authority: Royal Western Yacht Club of England Ltd
Plymouth, UK

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1 RULES

- 1.1 The Series will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Where boats are racing within the boundaries of the Port of Plymouth they are referred to the Dockyard Port of Plymouth Order 2020, a copy of which is displayed on the Club notice board, website <https://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2020/1261/made> and Local Notices to Mariners. When the Race Committee believes that such regulations have been broken so as to bring the sport into disrepute it will act under RRS 60.2(c) requesting the Protest Committee to act under RRS 69.1(a), Allegation of Misconduct.
- 1.3 The Exoneration Penalty and RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules and Disputes procedures will be available. This is the preferred method of resolving disputes. See the official website <http://www.rya.org.uk/racing/raceofficials/Pages/RulesDisputesProcess.aspx> for details.
- 1.4 Racing rule(s) 35, 44, A2, will be changed as follows:
- 35 Time Limit – Any boat not finishing within 45 minutes of the second boat to finish will be scored DNF.
- 44.1 For all boats, RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two Turns Penalty is replaced by the One Turn Penalty,
- A2 Each boats score shall be as described in NoR 12.
- The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.
- 1.5 Under rule 87, rule(s) IRC Rule 22.4.2 of the IRC class rules is replaced with:
- “The maximum number of crew that may sail aboard a boat shall be the crew number printed on the certificate plus one. There is no weight limit.”
- 1.6 **COVID 19 – for EVENT 1 on the 15th and 16th of May 2021 a yachts crew will be either a maximum of 6 persons or 80% of her crew number whichever is lower!**
- 1.7 For safety reasons, no boats shall race with anchors mounted on, or in front of, their stem-head rollers or other bow fittings.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS & CLASS SPLITS

- 2.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available on the RC1000 Class Page on the club website no later than;

Event 1: 10th May 2021

Event 2: 7th June 2021

Event 5: 20th September 2021

All classes will start and race as one fleet, unless numbers dictate that it will be necessary to split the fleet.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The official notice board shall be <https://rwyc.org/rc1000-regatta/>
- 3.2 While racing. 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. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones. Race Control will operate on Channel 77.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The RC1000 regatta is open to all boats that hold a current IRC certificate, IRC rated yachts close banded between 0.990 – 1.015 [with a small tolerance] and a minimum displacement of 3 tonnes.
- 4.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online entry form. Entry forms are available here: www.rwyc.org
- 4.3 A boat's racing result will only be accepted when a fully completed entry form (either on-line or paper) and payment has been received by race administration at the RWYC prior to racing. All entries must comply with RRS 75 (Race Entry & Qualification).

5 FEES

- 5.1 The entry fee is £30 per boat. Per event.

6 CREW LIMITATIONS

- 6.1 Under RRS 87, IRC Rule 22.4.2 is replaced with:

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7 ADVERTISING

- 7.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority

8. SCHEDULE

8.1 Event 1: 15th and 16th May 2021

- 8.1.1 It is intended to run 3 races on the Saturday and 2 on the Sunday.

- 8.1.2 The warning signal for the first race on Saturday will be 0955hrs. Races 2 and 3 will follow as soon as possible after the preceding race ends.
- 8.1.3 Sundays first warning 1025 for race 4, Race 5 to follow as soon as possible after the preceding.
- 8.1.4 There will be a briefing at 08.30 at RWYC on Saturday 15th May – it is hoped that this will be streamed live on Facebook.
- 8.1.5 **COVID 19 – for EVENT 1 on the 15th and 16th of May 2021 a yachts crew will be either a maximum of 6 persons or 80% of her crew number whichever is lower!**

8.2 Event 2: 12th and 13th June 2021

- 8.2.1 It is intended to run 3 races on the Saturday and 2 on the Sunday.
- 8.2.2 The warning signal for the first race on Saturday will be 0955hrs. Races 2 and 3 will follow as soon as possible after the preceding race ends.
- 8.2.3 Sundays first warning 1025 for race 4, Race 5 to follow as soon as possible after the preceding.
- 8.2.4 There will be a briefing at 08.30 at RWYC on Saturday 12th June – it is hoped that this will be streamed live on Facebook.
- 8.2.5 **COVID 19 – for EVENT 1 on the 12th and 13th of June 2021 a yachts crew will be either a maximum of 6 persons or 80% of her crew number whichever is lower!**

8.4 Event 5: 25th and 26th September 2021

- 8.4.1 It is intended to run 3 races on the Saturday and 2 on the Sunday as part of the RWYC Autumn Series. (RC1000 will have its own class start)
- 8.4.2 The warning signal for the first race on Saturday will be 0955hrs. Races 2 and 3 will follow as soon as possible after the preceding race ends.
- 8.4.3 Sundays first warning 1025 for race 4, Race 5 to follow as soon as possible after the preceding.
- 8.4.4 There will be a briefing at 0830 at RWYC on Saturday 25th September – it is hoped that this will be streamed live on Facebook.

9 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 9.1 Each boat shall produce or verify the existence of a valid rating certificate.

10 THE COURSES

- 10.1 Racing to comprise of Saturday:
 - 1 x Windward Leeward
 - 1 x Round the cans sprint race
 - 1 x Medium distance offshore race
- Sunday:
 - 1 x Windward Leeward

1 x Round the cans sprint race

Courses may be run inside or outside Plymouth Breakwater.

11 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 11.1 The Post-Race Penalty and the RYA Arbitration system of the RYA Rules and Disputes procedures will be available. This is the preferred method of resolving disputes. See www.rya.org.uk/racing/raceofficials/Pages/RulesDisputesProcess.aspx for details.
- 11.2 Discretionary penalties will be available to the Protest Committees (PC).

12 SCORING

- 12.1 A boat shall have sailed and finished three races before a discard is allowed.
This changes RRS A2

13 BERTHING

QAB Marina should be contacted by individual boats that require berthing for individual events.

14 RISK STATEMENT

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitors agree and acknowledges that:

- (i) 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;
- (ii) they are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- (iii) they accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- (iv) their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- (v) the provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- (vi) the provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;

- (vii) 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 at the venue;
- (viii) [For offshore races] 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.

15 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3m.

16 PRIZES

Prizes will be given for each class, depending on numbers entered in the race;
All boats sailing under – IRC

17 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact the Secretary, Royal Western Yacht Club, Queen Anne's Battery PL4 0TW by email at admin@rwy.org

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