



HELFO RD RIVER SAILING CLUB
ANCHORS-UP REGATTA
1st May 2022
NOTICE OF RACE

Organising Authority: Helford River Sailing Club (HRSC)

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RULES & CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

1. RULES

1.1 Racing will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021 - 2024 (RRS).

The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.

Any changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions.

1.2 Nothing written in either this Notice of Race or the sailing instructions removes a boat's responsibility to comply with the Falmouth Harbour bye-laws, when sailing in the Falmouth Harbour designated area, see: www.falmouthharbour.co.uk/wp/wp-content/uploads/30-130-01-FHC-Byelaws.pdf.

2. ENTRIES

2.1 Entries will be accepted only from owners or their representatives who are members of a PoFSA club and whose boat displays sail numbers in compliance with RRS Appendix G. 2.2 Under sixteen-year-olds may enter or crew only if their parent or guardian has given their permission and completed and signed the parental permission form.

2.2 To be eligible to enter the Regatta details of the Helm, IRC or swYTC handicap, boat name and sail number must be communicated to the Committee Boat at least 15 minutes prior to the published time of the first race.

2.3 There will be no Entry Fee.

It is strongly recommended that all competitors download the RYASafeTRX app and register their vessel. This replaces the CG66 which is no longer valid. The app may be downloaded from the Apple Store or Google Play. Alternatively, competitors may register on the RYA website at www.safetrx.rya.org.uk.

3. Classes

3.1 Races will be run as a single Handicap Class.



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5. RISK STATEMENT

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 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 and 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 and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- (f) 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;
- (g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to the venue or 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) Helford River Sailing Club cannot provide patrol boat / safety boat cover for the duration of the racing.

4. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS.

4.1 Sailing Instructions will be:

- a. posted on the Helford River Sailing Club website and Helford River Sailing Club Yacht Racing Facebook page and may be downloaded.
- b. available for collection at the Club.

5. PRIZES, PENALTIES, and SCORING SYSTEM

5.1 Scoring for races with multiple rounds will be scored using average lap times by means of IRC/SWYCT handicaps.



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5.2 Further details will be issued in the Sailing Instructions, which will be available prior to entry, see 4 above.

8. COURSES

8.1 Courses will be set on the day of the races and will be either leeward/windward or triangular or coastal "round the cans" courses using the HRSC marks in the mouth of the Helford River and into the Falmouth Bay as shown in Appendix C of the HRSC Yacht Racing Sailing Instruction.

8.2 Start times for all races are published in the sailing instructions.

9. HANDICAPS

9.1 In the absence of an IRC handicap rating the Race Committee reserve the right to determine and allocate handicaps based upon similar boats with known handicaps as they see fit.

9.2 Exceptionally, the SWYTC handicap may be used and may be modified for HRSC Club racing at the Race Committee's discretion.

11 SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

11.1 The safety of the boat and its entire management including insurance shall be the sole responsibility of the owner/competitor who must ensure the boat is fully found, thoroughly seaworthy, operated by a crew sufficient in numbers and experience who are physically fit to face bad weather. The owner/skipper must be satisfied that:

11.1.1 The Hull, Hull Appendages, Spars, Rigging, Sails and all gear are sound.

11.1.2 All Safety Equipment is properly maintained, stowed and in date.

11.1.3 The crew know where such equipment is kept and how it is to be used.

11.2 Below is a list of safety equipment to which all competing boats must comply. Each item of equipment shall function properly and be suitable for its intended purpose in the size of boat on which it is carried. Each item shall be securely stowed and ready for immediate use. Any additional equipment required by class rules must also be carried.

1. Suitable anchor
2. Fire extinguisher if fuel or gas carried
3. Horseshoe type lifebuoy or life sling
4. Bucket and lanyard
5. Personal flotation devices for each crew (Note: it is not compulsory to wear them)
6. VHF radio with suitable marine Channels



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7. First Aid Kit

12. RADIO COMMUNICATION

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

13. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured for racing including third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000, (three million pounds).

14. RACE COMMITTEE

The Race Committee members will be Vice Commodore, Hon. Captain Sailing and Race Officer of the day.