

ROYAL TORBAY YACHT CLUB
OFFSHORE CRUISER RACE WEEK
Friday 3rd– Saturday 11th July 2015

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

These sailing instructions are an addition to the RTYC Notice of Race for the Offshore Series.

Attention of competitors is drawn to the eligibility and safety regulations as defined in the Notice of Race chapters 6 and 8 particularly 6.6 that requires all yachts to comply a minimum of ISAF Offshore Special Regulations Category 3 with life raft.

An additional **Race Entry form & Crew List** pro-forma is available on the RTYC website which should be completed and returned with entry fee to the RTYC by Thursday 25 June 2015 for those participating in the Offshore Week. Communication with competitors will be on VHF ch 72 (although if we suffer congestion /interference then VHF ch 77 will be used temporarily). All competitors are requested to monitor channel 72 or its substitute for each race whenever possible, from before the start until reaching port as well as monitoring channel 16 which will act as a general safety channel.

Classes

Racing will be split into two main classes. Further divisions may be introduced provided there are sufficient entrants.

Class 1 -IRC

Class II –Non IRC Yachts

Starts

The start will be a single start for all classes and the No.1 warning flag will cover all classes.

The Offshore Series will use the

Warning flag (No1) up at 5min

Preparatory flag (Blue Peter) up at 4 min

1Minute warning Blue Peter down

Go –No1 flag down.

This will be flown from La Fleche or substitute committee yacht.

The start will also be given over the VHF radio . The race officer will give out other information on Ch 72 approximately 30 mins prior to the start so keep a listening watch on leaving port.

Penalties.

The normal penalties as per RTYC SSI's applies, except at the starts where one end of the line is La Fleche (or substitute committee vessel, which is competing). If a vessel is over the line, the Race officer in these circumstances will decree a number of turns as it will not be practical to go back to the start line as it will have disappeared. However in some circumstances the Race officer may require the over

the line vessel to round the other end of start line mark if this is practical. This will all be announced on the radio by the race officer.

Retirements

Yachts retiring from any race are requested to inform the event organizers either, Kelvin Hull on board yacht La Fleche or Phil Meek onboard yacht Hope, on VHF ch 72, or via mobile (phone or text) +44 7739505395. If it is not possible to contact either of the above, then information should be passed to another yacht to relay retirement.

Self Timing and Declarations

All yachts should take their own time at the finish. Race declaration forms for Offshore Week can be returned to John Whitehead on board yacht Veto after finishing although times of finish will normally be taken by radio after finishing. Alternatively John can be contacted by telephone on 07785561837 . If this is not possible, then declaration forms should be posted to the RTYC, Beacon Hill, Torquay TQ1 2BQ, to arrive by 1200hrs 19th July 2015. All races are taken on self timed declarations in BST. PLEASE all take the time in GPS time BST accurately to Hours Minutes and Seconds as your bow is judged to pass the finish line. Only use a watch if it is properly synchronized with GPS.

Race schedule

The proposed race schedule is as below, but the race committee reserves the right to change the race schedule dependent upon the prevailing weather and other conditions. The race committee may also introduce an extra race any day if the circumstances allow.

St Peter Port Race	Friday 3rd July	Torquay to St Peter Port
Offshore week lay day	Saturday 4th July	St. Peter Port
Offshore Week Race 1	Sunday 5 th July	St Peter Port to Carteret
Offshore Week Race 2	Monday 6 th July	Carteret to St Hellier
Offshore Week Race 3	Tuesday 7 th July	St Hellier to Granville
Offshore Week Lay day	Wednesday 8 th July	Granville
Offshore Week Race 4	Thursday 9 th July	Granville to St Hellier
Offshore Week Race 5	Friday 10 th July	St Hellier to Peter Port
Off shore week Race 6	Saturday 11 th July	St Peter Port South Devon Coast

Hazards

The waters of Brittany, and the Channel Islands have many rocks, strong currents, fishing beds, etc. It is imperative that the skipper and crew make sure they are

aware of all these hazards before and during the races and keep clear of them. When entering harbor areas, there are again many shoals and fishing nets and it is advised that all yachts stick to the marked channels.

Breakdowns, troubles, injuries

While we hope there are no problems, if a yacht does have a difficulty then early communication with the committee vessel or closer vessel is important. Yachts **should** go to the assistance of any vessel calling for help. If a yacht does stop to give assistance if possible take note of the time and location when you cease to race and similarly when you restart the race so that fair redress can be considered.



Royal Torbay Yacht Club
Channel Race to St Peter Port 2015 (approx 80 miles)
Friday 3rd July
Start time 0800 hrs BST

Tides HW Dover 12.36 BST

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Warning signal IRC & Unrated Cruisers Numeral Pennant 1 07:55 hours

The Start

The Starting Line will be between the mast on the committee boat displaying an **Orange** flag and an adjacent dan buoy flying a **Green** flag.

The Finish

The Finishing Line will be a transit of the lighthouse at the entrance of the Victoria Marina (49° 27.317N 02° 32.029'W) with the northern side of the Castle Breakwater below the Breakwater lighthouse. This Victoria Marina light should bear 275 degrees magnetic.(if in poor visibility then the Victoria Breakwater lighthouse should bear 270 degrees magnetic). Yachts must cross this line within 400 metres of the lighthouse.

The Course

From the Starting Line to the Finishing Line leaving Les Hanois Lighthouse to port.

All boats racing are required to comply with rule 10 of the IRPCAS, Traffic Separation Schemes (TSS), boats that break this rule may be penalised if protested.

Time Limit

The Time Limit shall be 0800 hours BST Friday 3rd July 2015 (if there is a delayed start the time limit will be extended to 24 hours after the actual start time.

Declarations

Declaration forms available from RTYC are to be completed and deposited with the race organizer on board one of the competing vessels by 1000 hours on Saturday

4th July 2015, or within 12 hours of the official time limit if the race start is delayed.

Declaration forms will make provision for a time to be recorded when Les Hanois lighthouse bears 075 Deg (magnetic).

Results

The Race Committee reserves the right to declare results on the basis of the declaration of the time when Les Hanois light bears 075 deg (magnetic) if no yacht finishes the course within the time limit.

Retirement

Any yacht retiring from the race must inform the race organizer on board one of the competing yachts by VHF Channel 72 or to any other yacht in the race to relay to the race organiser, or the designated land based contact or to RTYC (01803-292006).

Communication. Yachts are recommended to keep in contact and relay shipping information where appropriate to ensure the safety of the fleet using channel 72.

Trophies

All entrants will be eligible for the following trophies to be awarded at the annual RTYC club prizegiving:
IRC Division
Unrated Cruisers

Please ensure you submit your finish time as detailed above. Alternatively radio through to Veto with your finishing time within an hour of finishing remember BST and verified to GPS or if not possible complete this declaration and send/hand to Race results officer on Veto

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Finishing Time Declaration – Channel race
Torquay to St. Peter Port

Name of Yacht.....

Sail No..... Finishing Time BST Hours Minutes
Seconds

Name.....Signature.....

Race 1 of the RTYC Offshore Week

St. Peter Port to Carteret – Distance approximately 25 miles

Sunday 5th July 2015
Start time 04:30 BST
Time Limit 08:30 BST

Tides HW St. Peter Port 09:42 BST
 HW Dover 14:05 BST
 HW Carteret 09:30 BST

Start Line Guernsey Yacht Club line with outer distance mark as committee boat. (GYC line is identified by a Day-Glo mark high up on the wall of the castle fortifications and an orange buoy approximately 100m offshore) Starting from North to South

Course From the starting line, leaving Lower Heads South Cardinal Buoy (49° 25.837'N 02° 28.558'W) to port, (care should be taken by all yachts around Sark - keep well clear of off lying rocks. Yachts may pass North or South of Sark), then to the finish line.

Finish Line . a line from Les Trois Grunes West Cardinal mark. (49° 21.774'N 01° 55.226'W) projecting South. Take your time when Les Trois Grunes Buoy bears 000 degrees magnetic and within 50 metres crossing W to E.

Time Limit 0830 BST. Due to limited time access to Carteret, there will be no extension to the time limit.

Note: The approach to Carteret dries. Yachts must be mindful of the need to get to the cill with sufficient depth of water

Please ensure you radio through to Veto with your finishing time within an hour of finishing remember BST and verified to GPS or if not possible complete this declaration and send/hand to Race results officer on Veto

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Finishing Time Declaration – Race 1
St. Peter Port to Carteret

Name of Yacht.....

Sail No..... Finishing Time BST Hours Minutes
Seconds

Name.....Signature.....

Race 2 of the RTYC Offshore Week

Carteret to St Helier – Race Distance approximately 30 miles

Monday 6th July 2015
Start time 12:00 BST
Time Limit 18:00 BST

Tides HW Dover 14:52 BST
 HW ST Helier 10:15 BST
 HW Carteret 10:15 BST

Start Line

Between Committee vessel and a line from Les Trois Grunes West Cardinal mark. (49° 21.774'N 01° 55.226'W).

Course

From start line to:North West Head Cardinal (49°18.947'N 02° 17.970'W) leaving to port. Corbiere to port (care should be taken by all yachts around Corbiere-keep well clear of rocks that extend 900 m west of the lighthouse) then to Fairway North Cardinal buoy (49° 09.532'N 02° 12.289'W) to starboard, les Fours North Cardinal Buoy (49° 09.575'N 02° 10.190'W) to starboard then to the finish line

Finish Line.

Between Dimond Rock Red lateral boy (49°10.122'N 02° 08.679'W) and Ruaudiere Rock boy (49°09.733'N 02° 08.600'W)

Time Limit 1800 BST. With one hour extension if a yacht finishes.

Please ensure you radio through to Veto with your GPS verified BST finishing time within an hour of finishing or if not possible complete this declaration and send/hand to La Fleche

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Carteret to St Helier

Name of Yacht.....

Sail No..... Finishing Time BST Hours Minutes
Seconds

Name.....Signature.....

Race 3 of the RTYC Offshore Week

St Helier to Granville - Distance approximately 30 miles

Tuesday 7th July 2015
Start time 06:30 BST
Time Limit 11:30 BST

Tides HW Dover 15:43 BST
 HW Granville 10:40 BST
 HW St Helier 11:05 BST

Start Line

Between Committee vessel and Demi Pas Beacon Light (49°08.997'N 02° 06.182'W)

Course From start leaving NE minquiers East cardinal Buoy (49°00.843'N 01° 55.303'W) to starboard, then to Anvers (48°53.858'N 01° 40.929'W) leave to starboard then to finish.

Finish Line. A line from the Videcoq West Cardinal Buoy (48°49.636'N 01° 42.009'W) projecting west.. Take your time when the Videcoq Buoy bears 60 degrees magnetic and within 50 metres crossing NW to SE.

Time Limit 11.30 BST. Due to limited access to Granville there will be no extension to the time limit.

please ensure you radio through to Veto with your finishing time within an hour of finishing or if not possible complete this declaration and send/hand to Veto

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Finishing Time Declaration – Race 3
St. Hellier to Granville

Name of Yacht.....

Sail No..... Finishing Time BST Hours Minutes
Seconds

Name.....Signature.....

Race 5 of the RTYC Offshore Week

St Helier to St Peter Port- Distance approximately 25 miles

Friday	10th July 2015
Start time	11:00 BST
Time Limit	17:00 BST

Tides	HW Dover	06:23 BST
	HW St Helier	13:55 BST
	HW St Peter Port	14:07 BST

Start Line

Between committee boat and Diamond Rock Red Lateral Buoy(49° 10.122' N 02° 08.679'W)

Course

From the starting line
Then to Fairway North Cardinal buoy (49° 09.532'N 02° 12.289'W) to port
then to Corbiere to starboard (care should be taken by all yachts around Corbiere keep well clear of rocks that extend 900 m west of the lighthouse)
then to Lower Heads South Cardinal Buoy (49° 25.837'N 02° 28.558'W) to port,
then to the finish line.

The Finish

The Finishing Line will be a transit of the lighthouse at the entrance of the Victoria Marina (49° 27.317N 02° 32.029'W) with the northern side of the Castle Breakwater below the Breakwater lighthouse. This Victoria Marina light should bear 275degrees magnetic.(if in poor visibility then the Victoria Breakwater lighthouse should bear 270 degrees magnetic) .

Yachts must cross this line within 400 metres of the lighthouse.

Time Limit 1800 BST. If one yacht in a class finishes within the time limit, then the time limit for that class is extended by 1 hour.

please ensure you radio through to Veto with your finishing time within an hour of finishing or if not possible complete this declaration and send/hand to Veto

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Finishing Time Declaration – Race 5
St Helier to St. Peter Port

Name of Yacht.....

Sail No..... Finishing Time BST Hours Minutes
Seconds

Name.....Signature.....

Time Limit 17:00 BST. With one hour extension if a yacht finishes.

Race 6 of the RTYC Offshore Week

St Peter Port to South Devon

Saturday **11th July 2015**
Start time **08:00 BST**
Time Limit **08:00 12th July 2015**

Tides HW Dover 07:42
 HW St Peter Port 02:43

Start Line Guernsey Yacht Club line, starting North to South.

Course From the start line leaving;
 Les Hanois Lighthouse to Stb'd
 Channel Light 49° 54.46'N 02° 53.74'W to Stb'd
 Thence to the finish line.

Finish Line. Dartmouth finish line on Castle Ledge light buoy, (50° 20.003'N 03° 33.110'W) leave to starboard , take time when it bears 90 degrees.

Dependent upon weather conditions it may be necessary to shorten the course. This will be announced before the start of the race. Take your time when Channel Light (49° 54.46'N 02° 53.74'W) bears 90 degrees M within 200 meters

Time Limit 08:00 12th July 2015
 If one yacht finishes within the time limit, then there will be 2 hour extension for all other yachts.

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Finishing Time Declaration – Race 6
St Peter Port to South Devon

Name of Yacht.....

Sail No..... Finishing Time BST Hours Minutes
Seconds

Boat in Front..... Boat Behind.....

On (date)

Name.....Signature.....