

YACHTING MONTHLY TRIANGLE RACE



June 7th-19th 2020

NOTICE OF RACE

All times are British Summer Time (BST)

Organising Authority (OA)

Royal Torbay Yacht Club (RTYC)

Torquay, Devon, TQ1 1UL, England

In conjunction with Kinsale Yacht Club and Club Nautique de Tréguier and Town of Tréguier.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The race will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The Equipment Rules of Sailing (to the extent they apply) will apply.
- 1.3 The World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations Category 2 Monohulls that are in force on the 1 June 2020 shall apply.
- 1.4 The International Rules for the Prevention of Collision at Sea shall apply.
- 1.5 The IRC rules Parts A, B and C (effective 1st January 2020) shall apply, subject to the following changes: -
 - 1.5.1 For the purpose of IRC rule 21.1.5(d) the race is not a regatta on consecutive days.
 - 1.5.2 IRC rule 21.1.5(e) is deleted and a spare mainsail may be used during the race.
 - 1.5.3 Rules 22.4.1 and 22.4.2 are deleted and replaced as follows:
- 1.6 The total crew shall at all times whilst racing comprise of a Skipper and one crew member only.
- 1.7 Only one current IRC Certificate shall be used for the whole event. See IRC Rule 8.2.1.
- 1.8 In the event of a language conflict, the English version shall prevail.

2 ELIGIBILITY OF BOATS

- 2.1 The race, in principle, is open to seaworthy Cruiser or Cruiser Racer monohull boats of any type or nationality, provided that the length on deck is not less than 25 feet (7.62 metres). Smaller stretched boats shall not be permitted.
- 2.2 Unless the consent in writing of the race committee is obtained, no boat shall race unless she complies with World Sailing OSR Cat 2 3.04, Stability - Monohulls (updated January 2017).

2.3 British Boats shall be registered under the Merchant Shipping Act 1995 or with the Small Ships Register. Overseas boats shall be registered with the equivalent authority in their own country.

2.4 Boats must have completed a non-stop qualifying cruise between 1 January 2020 and before arrival in Torquay, of not less than 125 nautical miles, measured on the rhumb line course, with the race crew only on board and in the configuration in which the boat shall compete. The cruise must be completed under sail alone but dispensation for the use of motor under special circumstances may be given by the race committee. Evidence of the cruise in the form of a detailed log must be submitted not later than 1500 on Saturday 6th June 2020. Boats wishing to register in Kinsale must complete the qualifying cruise and submit the log no later than 1500hrs on Thursday 11th June to the race committee.

2.5 Competing in previous Triangle Races in 2016 or 2018, or similar two-handed events with the same crew and vessel since 1 January 2016 shall satisfy the requirement of paragraph 2.4. Evidence of competing in such events must be submitted in accordance with paragraph 2.4 above.

3 ELIGIBILITY OF CREW

3.1 An entry shall consist of a sailing boat with a named crew of two persons. The skipper must be 21 years of age or older and the crew 18 years of age or older at the start of the race. Both skipper and crew must possess substantial experience of making open sea passages of several days duration, and must be competent in coastal navigation by day and night. Either must be capable of taking charge of the boat in any conditions.

3.2 The boat must be sailed for the whole race by the crew named on the entry form and by no one else, except during the stopovers. In exceptional circumstances, the race committee may authorise a change of crew; such authorisation must be requested in writing.

4 ENTRIES

4.1 The number of entries to be accepted for the race is 50. At its absolute discretion, the race committee may accept further entries. The race committee reserves the right to open a waiting list should this be deemed necessary.

4.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form online at <https://rtyc.org/trianglerace2020/> by 2355hrs on 15th May 2020 and paying the required fee.

4.3 A completed yacht/crew declaration form and a résumé of the crews experience and qualifications including certificates relating to courses required under Offshore Special Regulations Category 2 shall be submitted by email to trianglerace@rtyc.org by 23.55 on May 15th 2019

4.4 Late entries may be accepted by the race committee.

4.5 To reserve your entry please e-mail trianglerace@rtyc.org with your name, yachts name and sail number. Your entry form should then be submitted with payment in full by 2355hrs on 15th May 2020 as detailed in 4.2.

5 FEES

5.1 The Entry Fee shall be £550.00 which must be paid in pounds sterling by Bank Transfer, by cheque from a United Kingdom Bank Account, or by a debit card, quoting the name of the helm, boat name and the entry ID number. Entrants shall be liable for any bank charges incurred in negotiating non pounds sterling payments etc.

- 5.2** Entries shall not be valid until payment in full is received.
- 5.3** No entry fee shall be returned after 15th May 2020.
- 5.4** Cheques or other instruments should be made payable to Royal Torbay Yacht Club.

6 HANDICAPS

- 6.1** Boats shall hold a valid IRC rating certificate issued for the configuration in which the boat shall race.
- 6.2** The IRC rating certificates shall not be amended after 0001 on 16th May 2020.

7 CLASSES

- 7.1** The limits for each class are defined solely by IRC TCC: -
- Class 1 - TCC 1.000 and above
 - Class 2 - TCC 0.945 to TCC 0.999
 - Class 3 - TCC 0.944 and below
- 7.2** The rating bands for classes may be changed to achieve an even spread of numbers in each class. If numbers in some classes are small, classes may be amalgamated or deleted.

8 SPECIAL RULES

- 8.1** Boats on registration shall be issued with Race Battle Flags, which must be flown on arrival and during stopovers at each port.
- 8.2** Self-steering devices, whether using stored energy or not, may be used. This changes RRS52.
- 8.3** Competitors may be requested by the Race Committee to report the position of other boats in the race. This changes RRS 41.
- 8.4** Whilst racing, boats may enter other ports or anchorages and may use their engines or be towed when entering or leaving. However, any such use must be logged and a declaration made to the Race Committee using the Declaration Form provided. The boat must recommence racing from the point at which the engine or tow was used. This changes RRS 41.
- 8.5** When in harbour or at anchor, either at stopover ports or other ports, the crew may obtain assistance from any local sources. They may carry out repairs and embark stores such as fuel and water. They may not be assisted by a maintenance team especially organised in advance to take over repairs or maintenance of that particular boat. Repairs and renewals shall be logged, and the log must be produced to the race committee if requested.
- 8.6** All boats must be fitted with an inboard engine and have enough fuel on board to motor a distance of at least 100 Nm.
- 8.7** No dogs, cats, birds or other pets may be carried on boats.
- 8.8** Boats are required to report to the Race Committee by VHF marine Channel 77, their ETA at stopover ports and on their return to Torquay at least 30 minutes before arrival at the port.

9 REGISTRATION

- 9.1** Registration will take place at the Race Office (RTYC)
- 9.2** Both crew members shall attend registration, having already provided the following: -
- A signed Crew/Yacht Declaration form
 - Qualifying log for each crew member if not previously submitted.
 - Evidence of qualifications/training

9.3 Boats and crews must be in Torquay, and have completed registration, by 1500 on Saturday 6 June. and failure to meet this requirement may result in a penalty assessed in accordance with Clause 12 of this Notice of Race. Boats wishing to register in Kinsale must do so before 1500 on Thursday 11th June but will not be eligible for overall Triangle or first leg prizes.

9.4 Boats will not be considered fully registered and entitled to race until the requirements of NOR 2.4, 4.3, 5, 6, 9.2 and 9.3 have been met in full.

10 SCHEDULE

10.1 Registration at the Race Office on the ground floor RTYC as follows: -

Friday 5th June 1000 – 1800

Saturday 6th June 1000 – 1500

10.2 Registration at Kinsale Yacht Club shall be as follows: -

Thursday 11th June 1200-1500

10.3 A briefing will be held for crews at 1930 Saturday 6 June 2020 in the Corinthian Room RTYC. All competitors shall attend.

Briefings will also be held at Kinsale and Treguier.

10.4 The race will consist of three legs: -

Torquay to Kinsale, Kinsale to Treguier, and Treguier to Torquay.

10.5 The first warning signal of each leg is scheduled as follows:

Torquay to Kinsale 1155 BST Sunday 7 June

Kinsale to Treguier 1155 BST Friday 12 June

Treguier to Torquay 1155 BST Wednesday 17 June

10.6 The race committee may change the schedule and the course/s to be sailed due to weather conditions during the event to produce a satisfactory series of races

10.7 Social events are planned for all three ports and the race has been planned so that the crew will have time to attend and enjoy such events.

10.8 Prizegiving 1300 BST Friday 19 June in the Corinthian Room RTYC

11 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

11.1 Sailing Instructions will be published on the race website <https://rtyc.org/trianglerace2020/> by midnight on May 29th 2020 and posted on the Official Notice Board at Royal Torbay Yacht Club by 2000 on Thursday 22nd August 2019. Sailing Instructions will also be available at registration.

12 PENALTIES

12.1 RRS 64.1 (a) and (c) are changed as follows: -In substitution for the penalties specified, the protest committee may penalise boats by adding additional time. Such penalties may be awarded for:

(a) A breach of the rules.

(b) Late arrival in Torquay (NOR 9.1) in which case the penalty shall be applied to the first leg.

(c) Late deposit of a declaration.

13 SCORING

13.1 The Low Point System of Appendix 'A' shall apply.

13.2 Three races are required to constitute a series

13.3 For the purposes of Appendix A each leg is considered to be a separate race. The Yachting Monthly Triangle Race consists of three legs.

13.4 Each boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores for each leg. There will be no discard. This changes RRS A2.

13.5 In the event of a tie in the total series score this shall be broken by their respective places in the Kinsale to Treguier leg. In the event that the tie is still not thereby broken, the prize(s) shall be shared. This changes RRS A8.

14 BERTHING

14.1 Free berthing will be available on Haldon Pier or Town Dock from Thursday 5 June 2020 until the start of the race and from completion of the race until Saturday 20 June 2020. Berthing in the MDL Marina is not included.

14.2 Free Berthing at Kinsale and Treguier is included.

15 HAUL-OUT AND UNDERWATER ACTIVITY RESTRICTIONS

15.1 Boats shall not be hauled out or dived on from 1600 on Saturday 6 June 2020 until finishing back in Torquay except with, and according to the terms of, prior written permission of the race committee.

16 RADIO COMMUNICATION

16.1 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

16.2 Race information will be given on VHF marine channel 72.

17 PRIZES

17.1 Prizes shall be awarded to successful boats in each class, overall for each leg and for the overall race. Full details of prizes shall be given in the Sailing Instructions.

18 RIGHT TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

18.1 Competitors automatically grant to the organising authority and their sponsors 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.

19. DATA PROTECTION

19.1 By entering the Yachting Monthly Triangle Race, you agree to provide personal data to the Organising Authority. The Organising Authority will process your personal data for the purpose of administering the event, in accordance with the Data Privacy Policy, details of which are available at <https://rtyc.org/privacy>.

20 RISK STATEMENT.

20.1. 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 its 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 or 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, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- f. The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
- g. It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any specific risks to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the event and to attend any safety briefing at the venue.
- h. For those participating in Offshore and Coastal 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 numbers, experience and fitness to withstand such weather; and that the safety equipment is properly, stowed and is in date and is familiar to the crew.

20.2. The fact that the race committee conducts inspection of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this Notice of Race.

21 INSURANCE

21.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 per incident or equivalent.

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