



# TORBAY ROYAL REGATTA 2020

## SAILING EVENTS

### IRC, CRUISERS AND SPORTSBOATS

Saturday 22nd to Sunday 23rd August

Incorporating:

Torbay Admiral's Cup – Team Racing

Addison Gold Cup

The Organising Authority (OA) is the Royal Torbay Yacht Club (RTYC)

## REVISED NOTICE OF RACE

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This Notice of Race covers the Torbay Royal Regatta 2020 and will be conducted in accordance with HM Government and RYA Guidelines relating to the COVID-19 pandemic that are applicable at the time. Crew restrictions and social distancing rules will apply. Current RYA guidance can be found at [www.rya.org.uk/programmes/Pages/return-to-boating.aspx](http://www.rya.org.uk/programmes/Pages/return-to-boating.aspx).

A separate Notice of Race will be published to cover the Torbay Dinghy Regatta to be held as a separate event on October 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 2020

### 1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. IRC Classes shall comply with IRC Rules 2020 parts A, B & C, but excluding rules 21.1.5(d) and (e) and rule 22.4
- 1.3. One design boats, other than those sailing in IRC and Cruiser classes shall comply with class rules applicable for 2020.
- 1.4. Competitors should note that the Organising Authority implements the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be expected to sail in compliance with it. The charter can be found at the front of the RYA edition of the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 or on the RYA website at [rya.org.uk/racing/charter](http://rya.org.uk/racing/charter)
- 1.5. The sailing instructions may also change racing rules.

## 2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA.
- 2.2 If required these will be provided free of charge by the Organising Authority.
- 2.3 Advertising shall comply with World Sailing Regulation 20.

## 3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all monohull boats of the following classes.
  - 3.1.1 Boats holding a valid IRC Certificate and a minimum SSS number of 8 (IRC Class). IRC boats shall enter this class.
  - 3.1.2 Sportsboats with a minimum hull length of 5.0m, an asymmetric rig and a maximum hull length of 10.1m. A boat which meets all the above criteria shall race in the Sportsboat Class.
  - 3.1.3 Cruising boats and dayboats who do not hold an IRC Rating Certificate should apply for a South West Yacht Time Correction Number <https://www.swytc.org.uk/index.asp> An option applies for boats to enter by declaration of handicap with or without a spinnaker or genneker (Cruiser Class).
- 3.2 The Race Committee may, at their discretion, allocate divisions of the above classes according to handicap rating and as designated in the Sailing Instructions.
- 3.3 Additional classes may be added by the Race Committee at their discretion.
- 3.4 A minimum of five entries are required for a one-design class to receive separate scoring and prizes.
- 3.5 Starts may have to be shared with other classes.
- 3.6 Eligible boats may enter by:
  - 3.6.1 Completing the online entry form and any supplementary information, including parent/guardian declaration for competitors under 18 on 23rd August 2020, available at [rtyc.org/event/torbayroyalregatta2020/](http://rtyc.org/event/torbayroyalregatta2020/) and paying the required fee.
  - 3.6.2 Payment can be made by Bank Transfer, Cheque or Debit/Credit Card quoting the name of the helm, boat name and the entry ID number.
- 3.7 Entries will be accepted up to midnight on 17th August 2020 at published rates.
- 3.8 Late entry fees will apply to payments received after midnight on 17th August 2020.
- 3.9 After midday on 21<sup>st</sup> August 2020 entries may be accepted up to, and on each race day, subject to an additional £5.00 administration fee.
- 3.10 Entry and registration (where required) must be completed before a boat competes in any race.
- 3.11 Allocations to divisions (if any) according to their rating will be decided and published no later than 2000 on Thursday 20th August 2020.
- 3.12 The Race Committee reserves the right to allocate handicaps for the Regatta where appropriate and by reference to any published information.
- 3.13 Teams of any three boats, one IRC class, one Cruiser class and one Sportsboat class may enter the Torbay Admiral's Cup by completing the supplementary entry form no later than noon on Saturday 22nd August 2020.

## 4 ENTRY FEES

- 4.1 Entry Fees, including berthing for visiting keelboats, will be as follows:

	Races	FULL FEE	LATE FEE	DAY RATE
IRC Class	Up to 4 races	£ 50	£ 80	£ 30
Sportsboat Class	Up to 6 races	£ 50	£ 80	£ 30
Cruiser Class	Up to 4 races	£ 50	£ 80	£ 30

- 4.2 Cancellations made before 20:00hrs on 17th August 2020 will be charged an administration fee of £15, with the balance refunded. For later cancellations, any refunds made will be at the sole discretion of the.
- 4.3 Day Rate entrants must submit their full entry details online, but do not have to specify their sailing date nor pay their fee until registration.

## 5 SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Registration for all classes will be available at Royal Torbay Yacht Club Clubhouse as follows:

Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> August		15.30 – 17.30
Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup> August		09.00 – 12.00

RTYC members are not required to attend registration

- 5.2 Racing is scheduled as follows:

Date	Class	No. of Races	Scheduled time of first Warning Signal
Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup> August	IRC and Cruisers	2	12.55
	Sportsboats	3	13.05
Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> August	IRC and Cruisers	2	10.55
	Sportsboats	3	11.05

- 5.4 Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> August no warning signal will be made after 1500.

## 6 MEASUREMENT

- 6.1 The Organising Authority may weigh or inspect any boat or her equipment, sails and rating certificates at any time.
- 6.2 Rating certificates for IRC yachts shall not be changed after 1400 on Thursday 20th August 2020 except as a result of a rating protest or to correct rating office errors. Any change of rating from that declared on the entry form must be notified to the race office by the above date and time.
- 6.3 Boats not having an allocated registered sail number shall request, in writing, a number to be allocated by the race committee. Allocated sail numbers shall be clearly and prominently displayed as far as reasonably possible in accordance with RRS Appendix G.
- 6.4 Rule 52 – manual power shall not apply to the Cruiser class and the use of automatic pilots, whether electronic or otherwise, is therefore permitted. Boats using stored power for the adjustment or operating of running rigging (e.g. backstays, runners, checkstays, sheets, guys etc.), but excluding the hoisting, reefing or furling of sails shall declare this on their entry form under boat description.

## 7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1 Sailing Instructions will be published on the event website <https://rtyc.org/event/torbayroyalregatta2020/> and posted on the Official Notice Board at Royal Torbay Yacht Club by 2000 on Thursday 20th August 2020.

## **8 COURSES**

- 8.1 Courses will be laid in Tor Bay and adjacent coastal waters.
- 8.2 Courses will be described fully in the Sailing Instructions.

## **9 PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 9.1 The Post Race Penalty and the Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules Disputes procedures shall apply (for information of the procedures, go to [www.rya.org.uk/go/rulesdisputes](http://www.rya.org.uk/go/rulesdisputes) ). The outcome of an RYA Arbitration can be referred to a protest committee, but an arbitration cannot be reopened or appealed.

## **10 SCORING**

- 10.1 The Low Points System of Appendix 'A' will apply, (except as changed by 10.2 to 10.5 below).
- 10.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 10.3 When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 10.4 When from four to six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst score.
- 10.5 All corrected times for handicap classes will be corrected to the nearest second to determine finishing place and with 0.5 seconds rounded up.
- 10.6 Yachts holding both IRC and SWYTC certificates will be dual scored in all races for information only.
- 10.7 The Torbay Admiral's Cup team racing for teams of three boats, one from each class, will be scored for the races sailed with discards if any, applied. A boat may be scored for only one team.
- 10.8 The Addison Gold Cup for IRC and Cruiser classes will be awarded to the boat that achieves the best result with a predominately female crew in accordance with 15.3 by taking all scores from completed races in the series without discard. If a tie is not eliminated by application of Appendix A8 the tie will be broken by taking into consideration the number of boats competing in each class or division. This supplements the provision contained in Appendix A in RRS.
- 10.9 To qualify for the Addison Gold Cup, Yachts should submit crew lists on the prescribed form no later than noon on Saturday 22nd August 2020.

## **11 BERTHING, BOAT PARKING AND LAUNCHING**

- 11.1 Boat parking and trailer for competing boat will be available, free of charge, on Haldon Pier, Torquay from 0800 on the day before the first race in which the boat is entered until 1800 on the day following the final race in which the boat is entered.
- 11.2 The launch area for sportsboats will be from the slipway adjacent to Haldon Pier, Torquay or by arrangement from the club crane on South Pier, Torquay.
- 11.3 Berthing for visiting keelboats will be provided (subject to availability), free of charge on the Visitor's Pontoon in Torquay Harbour from 0800 on the day before the first race in which the boat is entered until 1800 on the day following the final race in which the boat is entered.

## **12 PERSONAL BUOYANCY**

- 12.1 Competitors in Sportsboat Class shall wear a personal flotation device at all times whilst afloat. This changes RRS27.1, RRS 40, Part 4 Preamble and Race Signals Y.
- 12.2 All boats competing in classes other than those in 12.1 above shall carry adequate personal buoyancy for each person on board whilst racing.

### **13 SAFETY**

- 13.1 IRC, Cruiser and Sportsboat Classes shall comply with safety rules in accordance with the Appendix of Safety Rules forming part of the Notice of Race.
- 13.2 All boats carrying VHF radios shall be capable of receiving and transmitting marine channels 14, 16, 72 and 77.
- 13.3 Crew Numbers – Due to Covid 19 restrictions a maximum crew, which means total number of persons on board of 6 applies on all boats.
- 13.4 Covid 19 Social Distancing applies on all boats and it is the skipper’s responsibility to ensure that appropriate mitigation is in place where required.

### **14 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

- 14.1 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 in her class.

### **15 PRIZES**

- 15.1 Prizes will be awarded for all classes and also for Torbay Admiral's Cup Team racing and Addison Gold Cup.
- 15.2 The Addison Gold Cup will be awarded to the highest placed overall with a predominately female crew based upon the following: -

15.3

Total Crew	6	5	4	3	2
Minimum Female Crew	3	2	2	1	1

- 15.4 Prizes will also be awarded to the highest placed Double Handed boats in IRC and Cruiser Classes and to top female teams in Sportsboat classes.
- 15.5 Trophies may not be presented, but if presented all perpetual trophies will be retained by the OA after the prizegiving ceremony.

### **16 RIGHTS TO USE NAMES & LIKENESSES**

- 16.1 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.

### **17 PRIVACY STATEMENT**

- 17.1 The personal information you provide to the organising authority will be used to facilitate your participation in the event. If you have agreed to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and the other rules that govern the event (the rules), the legal basis for processing that personal information is contract. If you are not bound by the rules, the legal basis for processing that personal information is legitimate interest. Your personal information will be stored and used in accordance with the organising authority’s privacy policy. When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with the RYA and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published. RTYC Privacy Policy can be found at <https://rtyc.org/privacy>.

### **18 MEMBERSHIP**

- 18.1 All competitors, and their guests, will be deemed to be temporary members of the Royal Torbay Yacht Club during the event and shall abide by all of the Club Rules and Byelaws.

## **19 IDENTIFICATION OF CLASSES**

19.1 No identification pennants are required.

## **20 RISK AND RESPONSIBILITY 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.

20.3 It is the responsibility of all competitors to ensure they adhere to social distancing measures when sailing together.

## **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 the equivalent.

## **22 HARBOUR**

22.1 All entrants should be aware that Torquay is a commercial harbour and regard should be given to commercial vessels. Tor Bay Harbour Bye Laws apply at all times.

## 23 FURTHER INFORMATION

1. For further event information  
Royal Torbay Yacht Club,  
12 Beacon Terrace,  
Torquay,  
TQ1 2BH,  
England.  
Tel 44+ (0) 1803 213910

Event website [rtyc.org/event/torbayroyalregatta2020/](https://rtyc.org/event/torbayroyalregatta2020/)

General Regatta Enquiries contact Emma Barnet Email [regatta@rtyc.org](mailto:regatta@rtyc.org)

Racing Enquiries contact Bob Penfold Email [events@rtyc.org](mailto:events@rtyc.org)

2. Access to the boat park will be available from 09.30 until 18.00 on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> August and from 07.30 on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> August, for access outside the hours please contact [events@rtyc.org](mailto:events@rtyc.org) or telephone 07970353660 in advance
3. The RTYC bar and restaurant will be open all day and evening throughout the event serving meals, bar snacks, refreshments and packed lunches to order.
4. A Social Programme will be published prior to the event.
5. For accommodation and camping visit [englishriviera.co.uk/accommodation](https://englishriviera.co.uk/accommodation)  
and for car parking passes and information visit [torbay.gov.uk/roads/parking/car-parks/beacon-quay-cp/](https://torbay.gov.uk/roads/parking/car-parks/beacon-quay-cp/)

## **APPENDIX OF SAFETY RULES**

**A. All IRC and Cruiser** class entrants shall comply with their own Class and Handicap system safety rules in addition to the following:-

- 1) VHF Radio. Boats shall carry either a fixed or portable working VHF radio capable of receiving and transmitting on channel 14, 16, 72 and 77.
- 2) Fire Extinguisher. Boats carrying engine or cooking fuel shall carry a suitable fire extinguisher and a stout bucket of 9 litres minimum capacity attached to a lanyard.
- 3) Personal Buoyancy. Boats shall carry personal buoyancy for each crew member at least sufficient to comply with RRS 40. It is recommended that personal buoyancy is worn by all crew members at all times whilst racing.
- 4) Man Overboard. 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 suitable waterproof first aid pack with instructions.
- 6) Anchor. Boats shall carry a suitable anchor and a minimum of 50m warp to hold the boat in 15m depth of water.
- 7) Compass. Boats shall carry a suitable compass – handheld acceptable.
- 8) Equipment. Fittings and engines shall be securely fastened.
- 9) Propulsion. A means of propulsion, other than the boats sails, is to be provided.

**B. All Sportsboat Handicap and SB20 One Design** class entrants shall comply with their own Class Rules and in addition carry the following safety equipment:-

- 1) VHF Radio. Boats shall carry either a fixed or portable working VHF radio capable of receiving and transmitting on channel 6, 8, 10, 16,37, 72 and 77.
- 2) Compass. Boats shall carry a suitable compass – handheld acceptable.
- 3) First Aid. Boats shall carry a suitable waterproof first aid pack with instructions.
- 4) The crew of Sportsboats shall wear clothing and safety equipment in the manner intended by the manufacturer.
- 4) Long hair shall be restrained to avoid any risk of entanglement with equipment.