

TORBAY ROYAL REGATTA 2024



IRC, CRUISERS, J24s and SPORTSBOATS

Saturday 24th to Monday 26th August 2024

Torbay Admiral's Cup Team Racing, The Addison Gold Cup,
and the Benita Bowl

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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

The notation (DP) in a rule in the Sailing Instructions means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification. The notation (NP) in a rule of the Sailing Instructions means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking this rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a)

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 including Royal Yachting Association (RYA) prescriptions.
- 1.2. Boats with bowsprits that extend and retract shall comply with the following:
Boats shall be in the process of either a normal, continuous hoist, or flying, or dropping the spinnaker at all times when the bowsprit is extended. The bowsprit shall be fully retracted at the first reasonable opportunity after rounding the leeward mark. A boat may exonerate herself from a breach this instruction by taking a one-turn penalty as specified in RRS 44.2.

2. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 09:00 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 20:00 hours on the day before it will take effect.

3. (NP) COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board (ONB) on the event website [TORBAY ROYAL REGATTA 2024](#) with a copy, where practical, on a notice board located in the entrance all of the Royal Torbay Yacht Club.
- 3.2. (DP) 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.
- 3.3. An event competitor's WhatsApp group will be used, providing notifications and Race Committee (RC) communications whilst ashore:
<https://chat.whatsapp.com/KOXr7JLSPE3BNnKOgiQwNH>
- 3.4. Failure to receive WhatsApp messages shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

3.5. On the water, the Race Committee will monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF Channel 72. These communications may include location of Race Committee vessel, course instructions, sail numbers called OCS, course changes, and safety matters.

4. CODE OF CONDUCT

4.1. [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

5.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole at the inshore end of Haldon Pier, adjacent to the slipway.

5.2. When AP is displayed ashore, 1 minute is replaced with not less than 45 minutes in Race Signals.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1. Registration. See NoR 9.1

6.2. There will be a Commodore’s welcome for all competitors at 18.00 to 19.00 on Saturday, 24th August 2024 in the Royal Torbay Yacht Club.

6.3. To alert boats that at a race will soon begin, the Orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least 5 minutes before a warning signal is made.

6.4. Dates and Number of Races

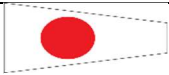

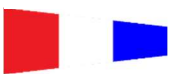

| Date | Class | No of Races | Scheduled time of first Warning Signal |
|----------------------------------|---------------------|-------------|--|
| Saturday 24 th August | IRC | Up to 3 | 11.25 |
| | Cruiser | Up to 3 | 11.30 |
| | Sportsboat Handicap | Up to 4 | 11.35 |
| | J/24 | Up to 4 | 11.40 |
| Sunday 25 th August | IRC | Up to 3 | 10.55 |
| | Cruiser | Up to 3 | 11.00 |
| | Sportsboat Handicap | Up to 4 | 11.05 |
| | J/24 | Up to 4 | 11.10 |
| Monday 26 th August | IRC | Up to 3 | 10.55 |
| | Cruiser | Up to 3 | 11.00 |
| | Sportsboat Handicap | Up to 3 | 11.05 |
| | J/24 | Up to 3 | 11.10 |

6.5. It is intended that over three days, 8 races will be sailed in the IRC and Cruiser classes; and in the Sportsboats and J/24 classes, 9 races will be sailed.

6.6. On the last scheduled day of racing, no warning signal will be made after 1500.

7. CLASS FLAGS

7.1. The class flags are :-

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| IRC | Numeral Pennant 1 |  |
| Cruiser Class | Numeral Pennant 2 |  |
| Sportsboats | Numeral Pennant 3 |  |
| J24s | Numeral Pennant 4 |  |

8. RACING AREA

- 8.1. Racing will take place in Torbay and adjacent coastal waters.

9. THE COURSES

- 9.1. The course diagrams and configurations are shown in Appendix A and Appendix B.
- 9.2. No later than the warning signal, the Race Committee vessel will display the course to be sailed and the approximate bearing of the first leg.
- 9.3. If a course is shortened such that the finish is at the leeward end of the course, then the finish line will be as defined in paragraph 14. This changes RRS 32.2
- 9.4. If a gate mark is missing and has not been substituted in accordance with RRS 34, the remaining mark shall be left to port.

10. MARKS

- 10.1. Marks 1, 2, and 3 will be Orange inflatable buoys.
- 10.2. The change of course mark will be a Yellow inflatable buoy.
- 10.3. The start mark will be a Race Committee vessel with a mast displaying an Orange flag or a White Danbuoy with an Orange flag.
- 10.4. The finish mark will be a Race Committee vessel with a mast displaying a Blue flag or a White Danbuoy with a Blue flag.
- 10.5. Fixed marks and other Laid Marks are described in Appendix B

11. OBSTRUCTIONS

- 11.1. The following areas are designated as obstructions. –
- 11.2. A yellow buoy with associated trailing buoys serving as a wave monitor located at approximately 050°433N 003°517W
- 11.3. The entirety of the Scallop Nursery Beds forming an imaginary box including the yellow mark buoys (flashing Y 2.5s) approximately 0.5nm south of Thatcher Rock. The obstructions can be passed on any side. The co-ordinates that mark the corners of the beds are approximately:
50°26.700'N 03°29.690'W 50°26.865'N 03°29.690'W
50°26.865'N 03°29.170'W 50°26.700'N 03°29.170'W
- 11.4. The entirety of the Kelp Farm (KF) beds, forming an imaginary box including the beds marker buoys approximately 0.5nm east of Thatcher Rock, are an obstruction. This obstruction can be passed on any side. The coordinates that make up the corners of the bed are:
50°27.109'N. 03°29.972'W. 50°27.001'N. 003°29.548'W
50°27.109'N. 03°29.548'W. 50°27.001'N. 003°29.972'W.

12. THE START

- 12.1. The starting line will be between the mast on the Race Committee vessel displaying an Orange flag at the Starboard end of the start line and the Port end starting mark.
- 12.2. (NP) Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequences of other classes.
- 12.3. A boat that does not start within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored 'Did not Start' without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1, A4 and A5.

13. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 13.1. To change the next leg of the course the Race Committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- 13.2. Minor course changes (up to 150m) may not be signalled. This changes RRS 33
- 13.3. Course changes when using fixed marks will be advised by VHF Channel 72.

14. THE FINISH

- 14.1. The Finish line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the Race Committee vessel and the finishing mark displaying a blue flag at the Port end of the finish line.
- 14.2. (NP) After finishing, boats shall not re-cross the finishing line and shall keep clear of boats still racing.

15. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 15.1. RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One Turn Penalty.
- 15.2. The Scoring Penalty, RRS 44.3 does not apply. This changes RRS 44.
- 15.3. The Post Race Penalty, the Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules Disputes procedures shall apply (for information of the procedures, go to [RYA Rules Disputes Process](#)). The outcome of an RYA Arbitration can be referred to a protest committee, but an arbitration cannot be reopened or appealed. This changes RRS 63.1.

16. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 16.1. Boats in the J24 and Sportsboat classes failing to finish within 20 mins of the first boat in their class will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 16.2. In the J24 and Sportsboat classes, the target time for the first boat will be approximately 40 minutes. Failure to meet target times will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 16.3. Boats in the IRC and Cruiser classes sailing in courses described in Appendix A and failing to finish within 40 mins of the first boat in their class will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes Rule 62.1(a).
- 16.4. Boats in the IRC and Cruiser classes sailing in courses described in Appendix B and failing to finish within 80 mins of the first boat in their class will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes Rule 62.1(a).

17. HEARING REQUESTS

- 17.1. The Protest Time Limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or, after all racing is abandoned or postponed for the day.
- 17.2. Breaches of NoR 3 and 20 shall not be grounds for protest by a boat, This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 17.3. Hearing request forms are available from the foyer of the club or the club website.
- 17.4. Protest time limit notices will be posted on the OFN and the event competitors WhatsApp group
- 17.5. After completing a Protest Form/Application for Redress the Protest/Applicant shall return this to the Race Office on the ground floor RTYC.
- 17.6. Notices of hearings will be posted on the OFN and the event WhatsApp group, including the date/time of the hearing.
- 17.7. Hearings will be held in person in the club's Billiard Room (2nd floor) or ground floor Training Room.
- 17.8. Results of hearings will be posted on the event competitors WhatsApp group.

18. SCORING

- 18.1. See NoR 15

19. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 19.1. (NP) Safety requirements shall be in accordance with NoR Appendix 1 – Safety Rules.
- 19.2. (DP) All boats are required to check in with the Race Committee before the warning signal on the first race of each day by passing in close proximity to the starboard side of the Race Committee vessel.
- 19.3. (DP) A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.

20. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 20.1. Substitution of helms in the J24 and Sportsboat classes is not allowed without the prior written approval of the Race Committee.
- 20.2. Substitution or damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed without the written approval of the Race Committee. Requests shall be made at the first reasonable opportunity.

21. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 21.1. See NoR 10

22. SUPPLIED BOATS

- 22.1. Does not apply.

23. OFFICIAL VESSELS

- 23.1. The Race Committee vessel will be identified by a Yellow flag.
- 23.2. The Photography boat will be identified by a white flag with the letter "P" on the flag.
- 23.3. Mark laying boats will be identified by a yellow flag with the letter "M" on the flag

24. SUPPORT TEAMS

- 24.1. Support teams are not permitted.

25. TRASH DISPOSAL

- 25.1. Trash may be placed aboard official vessels or brought back to shore and disposed of in the public facilities.

26. BERTHING

- 26.1. See NoR 18
- 26.2. Cranage for J24s will be available on Haldon Pier from 14.30 to 18.30 on Friday 23rd August 2024 and from 15.00 to 18.30 on Monday 26th August 2024.

27. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 27.1 See NoR 19.1

28. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

- 28.2 See NoR 20.1

29. RISK STATEMENT

- 29.1 See NoR 22

30. INSURANCE

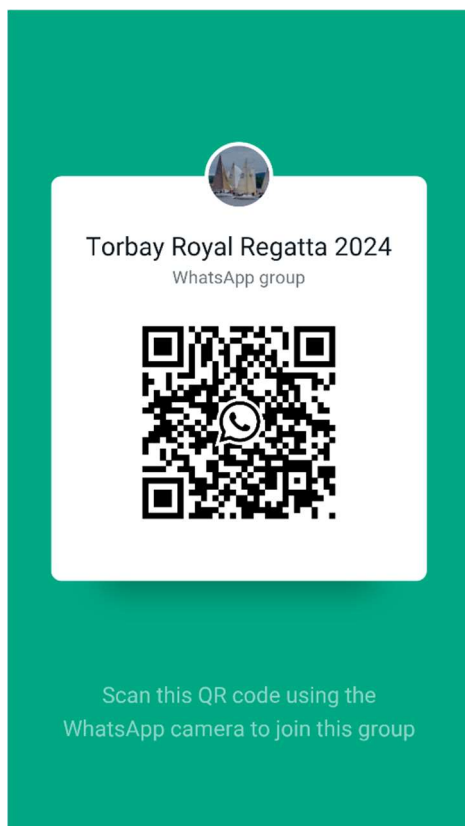
- 30.1 See NoR 23.1.

31. PRIZES

- 31.1 See NoR 24

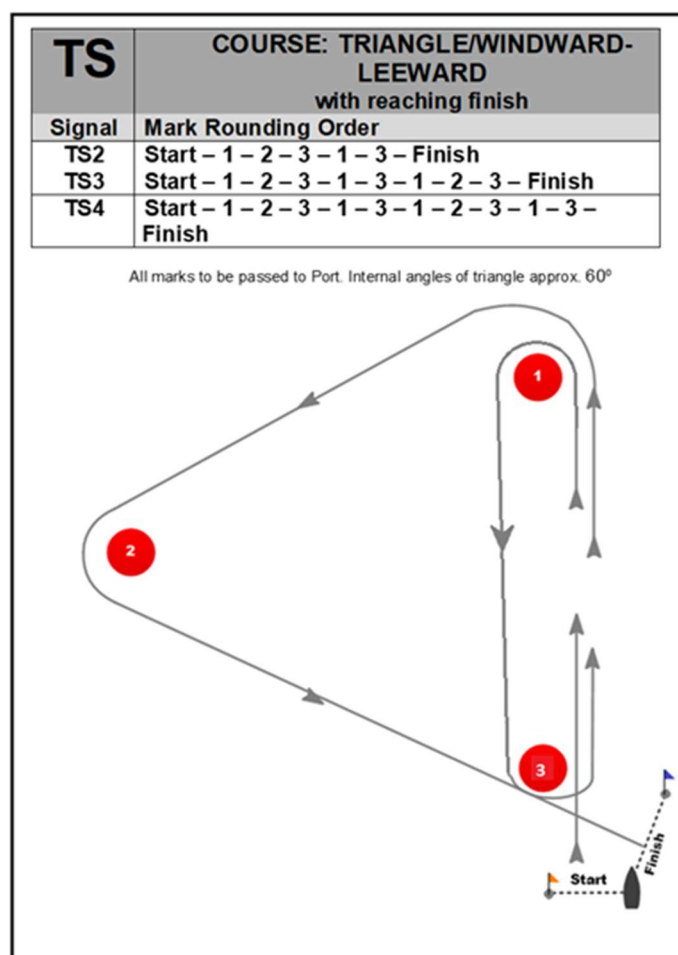
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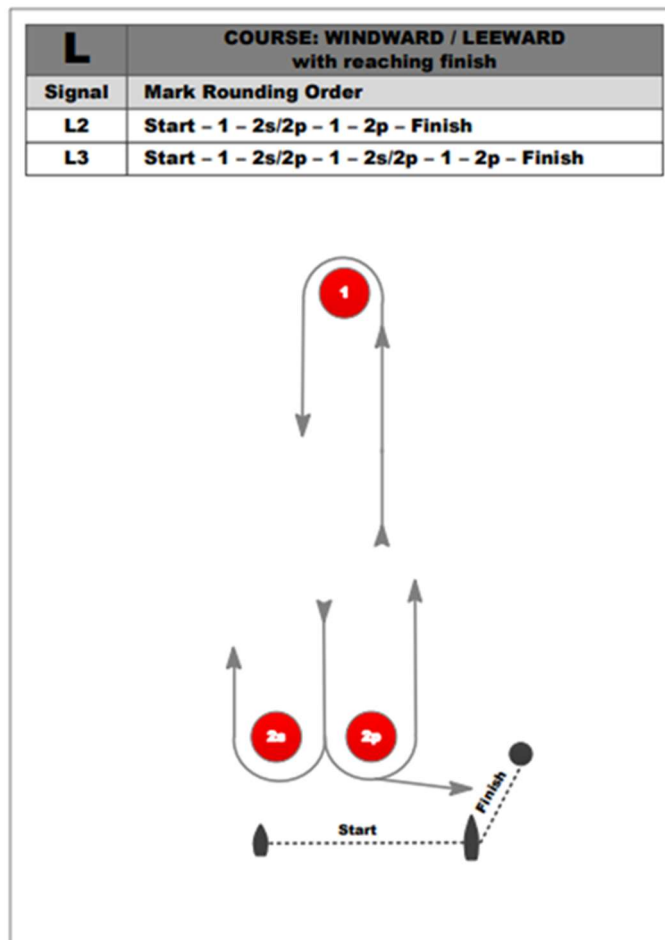


Appendix A - Course Diagrams

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| TS | Triangle - Windward /Leeward with reaching finish |
| Signal | Mark Rounding Order – all marks to be passed to Port |
| TS 2 | Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 3 – Finish |
| TS 3 | Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 3 – 1 – 2 – 3 – Finish |
| TS 4 | Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 3 – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 3 – Finish |
| TL | Triangle - Windward/Leeward – Windward/Leeward with reaching finish |
| Signal | Mark Rounding Order – all marks to be passed to Port |
| TL 3 | Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 3 – 1 – 3 – Finish |



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| WL | Windward – Leeward with reaching finish |
| Signal | Mark Rounding order |
| WL 2 | Start – 1 – 2 – 1 – 2 – Finish |
| WL 3 | Start – 1 – 2 – 1 – 2 – 1 – 2 – Finish |
| WL 4 | Start – 1 – 2 – 1 – 2 – 1 – 2 – 1 – 2 – Finish |



Appendix B

Course Configurations ‘B’ – Bay Courses

Bay courses may comprise a combination of fixed and laid marks. The sequence of marks to be rounded will be displayed on a board on the Race Committee vessel and broadcast on VHF Channel 72 with or before the warning signal for each class. The side on which each mark is to be passed will be signified by a (P) to indicate the mark is to be passed to Port or an (S) to indicate the mark is to be passed to Starboard.

| | | | FIXED MARKS | |
|-------|-----------|------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Green | 50 27.29N | 003 31.72W | White buoy | Green flag |
| Red | 50 27.25N | 003 31.43W | Yellow buoy | Red flag |
| 1 | 50 26.97N | 003 30.71W | Red buoy | Orange flag |
| 2 | 50 26.55N | 003 30.75W | Yellow buoy | Yellow/Black flag |
| 3 | 50 26.35N | 003 31.44W | Red buoy | Orange flag |
| 4 | 50 26.55N | 003 32.17W | Yellow buoy | Yellow flag |
| 5 | 50 26.86N | 003 32.44W | Red buoy | Orange flag |
| 6 | 50 27.16N | 003 32.21W | Yellow buoy | Yellow flag |
| M | 50 26.97N | 003.31.79W | White buoy | Blue flag |
| T | 50 27.07N | 003 30.10W | Red buoy | Orange flag |
| X | 50 25.29N | 003 32.82W | Red buoy | Orange flag |
| Y | 50.27.40N | 003.28.17W | Orestone Rock | No Flag |
| Z | 50 24.34N | 003 31.05W | BYC Yellow buoy | Green flag |
| B | Laid Mark | | Black inflatable | No flag |
| O | Laid Mark | | Orange inflatable | No flag |

APPROXIMATE LOCATION OF FIXED MARKS

