



# HALF TON CLASSICS CUP

**Saturday 2nd to Friday 8th August 2025**

**Royal Torbay Yacht Club**

**12 Beacon Terrace, Torquay, Devon, TQ1 2BH**

## NOTICE OF RACE

**The Organising Authority (OA) is the Royal Torbay Yacht Club (RTYC) in conjunction with the Half Ton Class Europe Association (HTCE)** The notation (DP) in a rule in the NOR 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 means that a boat may not be protested by another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1.

### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by:
  - a) The rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028 including the Royal Yachting Association (RYA) prescriptions. Available [HERE](#)
  - b) The Equipment Rules of Sailing, to the extent that they apply. Available at [EQUIPMENT RULES OF SAILING](#)
  - c) The World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations 2024-2025, Appendix B. Available at [World Sailing - Offshore Special Regulations](#)
  - d) [The Rules of the Half Ton Class Europe.](#)
  - e) except where changed by this NoR or Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 RRS - Appendix T applies
- 1.3 Competitors should note that the OA implements the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be expected to sail in compliance with it. The charter can be found in the RYA edition of the RRS 2025-2028 or on the RYA website at [Racing Charter \(rya.org.uk\)](#)
- 1.4 (DP) Torbay Harbour Byelaws.

### 2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SI's)

- 2.1 SI's will be published on the Official Notice Board by Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July.

### **3. COMMUNICATION**

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located [HALF TON CLASSICS CUP 2025](#)
- 3.2 (DP) All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channels 14, 16, 65, 72 and 77.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in SI's.
- 3.4 (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 available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
- 3.5 A WhatsApp group may also be used to contact registered mobile numbers for each boat providing notifications and Race Committee (RC) communications whilst ashore. Failure to receive WhatsApp messages shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 61.1(a).

### **4. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY**

- 4.1 The event is open to all boats of the Half Ton Class Europe Association.
- 4.2 The owner and registered helm shall be a member of the Class Association.
- 4.3 All boats shall hold a valid endorsed IRC certificate.
- 4.4 Eligible boats may enter by completing the appropriate entry form and making payment online at [HALF TON CLASSICS CUP 2025](#)
- 4.5 The OA will acknowledge receipt of entries and payment, and entry information will be posted on the event website.
- 4.5 To be considered an entry a boat shall meet all entry and registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.6 Early entries will be accepted up to midnight on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2025 after which standard entry fees shall apply.
- 4.7 Late entries will apply to all entries received after midnight on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2025.
- 4.8 Entries will not be accepted after midnight on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2025
- 4.9 Once payment has been received, any refunds will be at the sole discretion of the OA.
- 4.10 World Sailing Sailor Categorization Code Regulation 22 applies, and all Crew members including helm shall have a valid Group 1, if unclassified they are deemed as Group 3.
- 4.11 Parent/Guardian Declarations: All helms and crews under 18 years of age during the event, shall submit signed Parent/Guardian Declarations as part of the entry process and submit details of the parent(s) acting in loco parentis.

### **5 FEES**

- 5.1 The entry fee shall be £450.00 for entries and payments received up to midnight on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2025.
- 5.2 Late entry fees of £550.00 apply to entries and all payments received after midnight on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2025.
- 5.3 The Entry Fee includes berthing, trailer parking and Commodore's Reception.

## 6. CREW LIMITATIONS

6.1 See [Class Rules](#)

6.2 Crew limits will be as defined in the boats IRC certificate. One additional crew member is permitted, provided that person is Under 18 on the last day of racing. No other additional crew members will be permitted.

## 7. ADVERTISING (DP)

7.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen, supplied and instructed the OA

## 8. QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES

Does not apply.

## 9. REGISTRATION AND SCHEDULE

9.1 Boats shall check-in upon arrival at Haldon Pier.

9.2 Registration will take place at RTYC on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> August from 09.00 to 17.30

9.3 At registration all competitors shall: -

- produce a completed and signed Event Equipment and Safety Inspection Checklist
- produce a valid endorsed IRC certificate and confirm their sail number.
- submit the Crew Declaration form and confirm the name of the designated helm.

9.5 Dates and number of races

Date	Activity	Time	Number of Races
Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> August	Arrival / Craning in - Haldon Pier, Torquay	09.00 - 17.00	
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> August	Inspection / Craning in - Haldon Pier	09.00 - 17.00	
	Registration at RTYC	09.00 - 17.30	
	Competitors Briefing – RTYC	19.00	
	Commodore's Welcome Reception - RTYC	19.30	
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> August	First warning signal	11.25	3
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> August	First warning signal	11.25	3
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> August	First warning signal	11.25	1
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> August	First warning signal	11.25	3
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> August	First warning signal	10.55	2
	Craning out	16.00	
	Prizegiving – Corinthian Room, RTYC. ASAP after completion of racing		
Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> August	Craning out		

- 9.6 It is intended to run 12 races over 5 days with up to 3 races in any one day, depending upon prevailing and forecast weather conditions and sea state.
- 9.7 On last scheduled day of racing there will be no warning signal after 14.00.

## **10 (DP) EQUIPMENT INSPECTION**

- 10.1 Inspection will take place from 09.00 to 17.00 on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> August on Haldon Pier, Torquay Harbour.
- 10.2 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with Class Rules, NoR and SI's.

## **11 CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT**

- 11.1 See Class Rules

## **12 VENUE**

- 12.1 Royal Torbay Yacht Club, 12 Beacon Terrace, Torquay, Devon, TQ1 2BH
- 12.2 Addendum A shows the location of Torquay Harbour
- 12.3 Racing will take place in Tor Bay and adjacent coastal waters see Addendum B.

## **13 THE COURSES**

- 13.1 Courses to be sailed will be described in the SI's.
- 13.2 The marks will be a combination of laid marks and fixed marks and fully described in the SI's.

## **14 PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 14.1 The Scoring Penalty, RRS 44.3 does not apply. This changes RRS 44.
- 14.2 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty
- 14.3 RRS Appendix T applies

## **15 SCORING**

- 15.1 Appendix A applies except where changed in 15.3 below.
- 15.2 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.3 RRS A2.1 Series Scores is changed to read as follows:
- 15.3.1 When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 15.3.2 When four to eight races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 15.3.3 When nine or more races have been competed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.
- 15.4 Rule A5.3 applies.
- 15.5 Weighting for various courses is as follows: - Windward – Leeward courses: x 1 - Round the cans course: x 1.1 - Long coastal course: x 1.5

## **16 SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS**

- 16.1 (DP) Support person vessels will not be allowed.

## **17 CHARTERED OR LOAN BOATS**

- 17.1 A chartered or loan boat may carry national letters or sail numbers in contravention of her class rules and G3, provided the RC has approved her sail identification before the first race.
- 17.2 A chartered or loan boat shall not display a sail number of another boat entered in the event.

## **18 BERTHING**

- 18.1 Boats shall be kept on Haldon Pier pontoons, Torquay Harbour.
- 18.2 All boats shall be craned in by 17.00 on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> August.
- 18.3 Craning in and out arrangement shall be made directly with [Torbay Marine Lifting](#)
- 18.4 Trailer parking will be available on Haldon Pier subject to availability. Additional parking space if required will be at a secure location nearby.
- 18.5 All cars must be moved to the adjacent car park as soon as possible after unloading.

## **19 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

- 19.1 Boats shall not be hauled out during the event except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the Race Committee.

## **20 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS**

- 20.1 Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent be used around boats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the event.

## **21 DATA PROTECTION**

- 21.1 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, your National Authority and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.
- 21.2 RTYC Privacy Policy <https://rtyc.org/privacy>.

## **22 RISK STATEMENT**

- 22.1 Rule 3 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."
- 22.2 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, and other officials and volunteers by the event organizer 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 venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.
- h) (For offshore races) They are responsible for ensuring that their boat is equipped and seaworthy 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.

## **23 INSURANCE**

- 23.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3 million per event or the equivalent.

## **24 PRIZES**

- 24.1 Daily prizes will be awarded at 18.00 every evening at the RTYC.
- 24.2 Overall prizes will be awarded as detailed in Addendum 3
- 24.3 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA and the class association.
- 24.4 The event prizegiving will take place as soon as possible after racing on Friday 8<sup>th</sup>. August in the Corinthian Room, Royal Torbay Yacht Club.

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

- 25.1 Competitors automatically grant to the OA and their sponsors without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion or still pictures and live, taped, or filmed television of or relating to the event.

## **26 FURTHER INFORMATION - See Addendums 1, 2 and 3 or contact**

Royal Torbay Yacht Club, 12 Beacon Terrace, Torquay, TQ1 2BH.

Tel 44+ (0) 1803 292006

Email [events@rtyc.org](mailto:events@rtyc.org)

Event website [HALF TON CLASSICS CUP 2025](#)

Class Website [Half a ton, twice the fun - HTCC - sailing class](#)

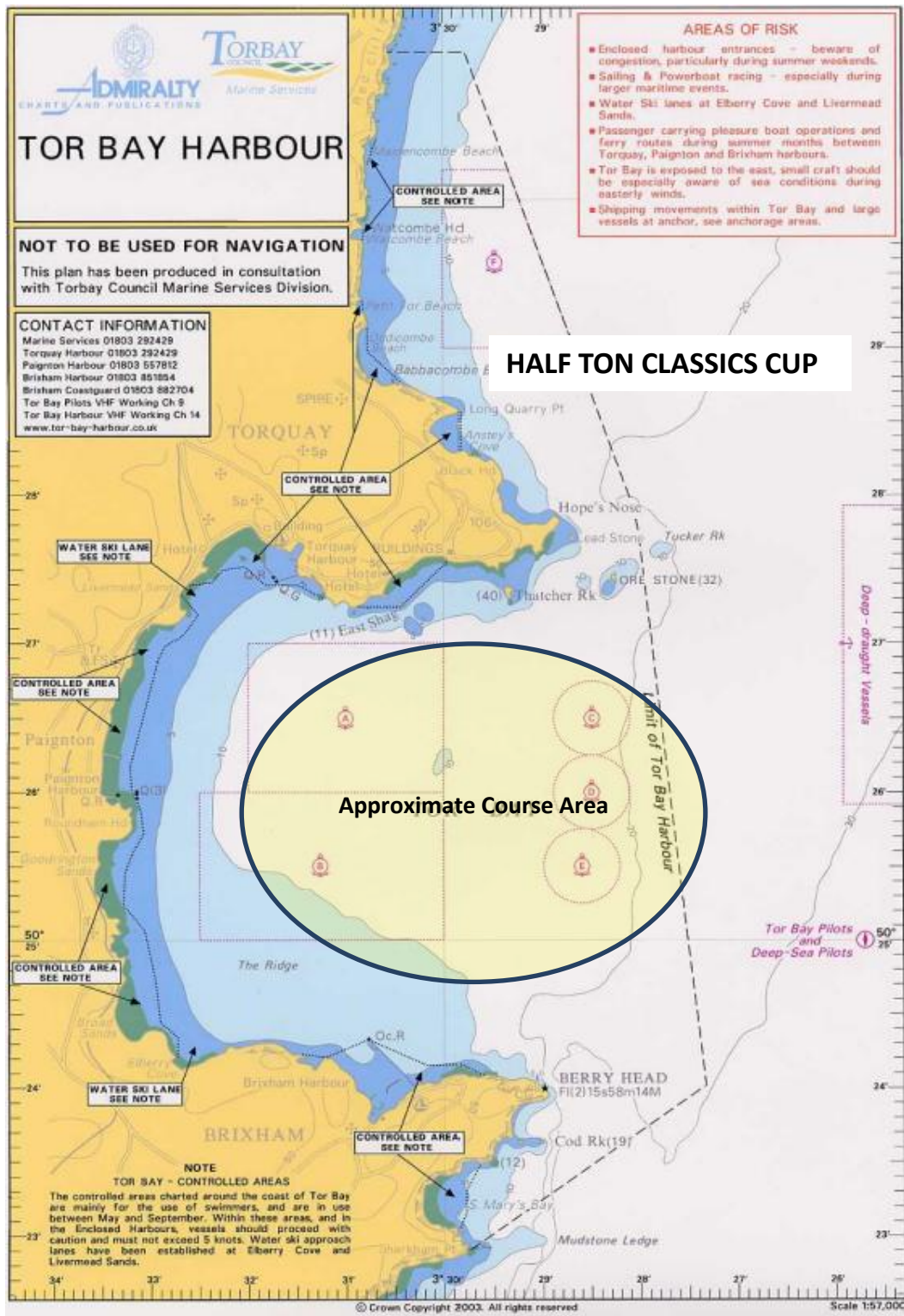
## ADDENDUM 1

### EVENT AND VENUE INFORMATION



- **Craning In, Inspection and Trailer Parking** on Haldon Pier  
[Tor Bay Harbour - Home \(tor-bay-harbour.co.uk\)](http://tor-bay-harbour.co.uk)
- **Public Car Parking above Beacon Quay** for information and passes visit  
[Beacon Quay - Torbay Council](http://Beacon Quay - Torbay Council)
- The bar and wonderful facilities of the **Royal Torbay Yacht Club**, including the terraced garden will be open throughout the event for drinks, meals, bar snacks and refreshments. Detailed information, including menus, will be published on the event website. **Bar/Entry Card** – At registration you will all be offered a club card to be used to gain access to the club, both the main and garden entrances. This card can also be used to purchase drinks at the bar where money can be added, minimum £10, there are no refunds.
- **Championship Social Events** will take place in the Royal Torbay Yacht Club. On Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> August there will be a Commodore's Reception and a daily prizegiving each evening. Full details and menus for the social programme will be published on the event website. Additional tickets for family and friends will be available.
- For **Accommodation and Camping** visit [englishriviera.co.uk/accommodation](http://englishriviera.co.uk/accommodation)

## ADDENDUM 2



[Tor Bay Harbour - Home \(tor-bay-harbour.co.uk\)](http://tor-bay-harbour.co.uk)

## ADDENDUM 3

### HALF TON CLASSICS CUP - PRIZES 2025

Daily prizes will be awarded at 18.00 every evening in the Corinthian Room at the Royal Torbay Yacht Club.

Overall and Event Special Prizes will be awarded as follows:

1. The first three boats overall and The **Half Ton Classics Cup Trophy** to Overall winner of the series
2. The **Half Ton Vintage Trophy** - Overall Vintage winner of series limited to production and unmodified one-off boats (see Class Rules D2)
3. The **Production Boat Cup** – Overall Series winner Production boats.
4. The **Half Ton Classics Ladies Trophy** Overall winner of series limited to boats with a least 50% plus 1 female sailors on board throughout the event.
5. The **Half Ton Classics Corinthian Trophy** - Overall winner of series limited to boats without a Group 3 sailor on board.
6. The **Half Ton True Spirit Trophy**: Will be awarded to the team that best represents the “Half Ton True Spirit”, as decided by the Organising Authority.

Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA and the class association.

The event prize giving will take place as soon as possible after racing on Friday 8<sup>th</sup>.August in the Corinthian Room, Royal Torbay Yacht Club.

All teams are requested to be present at all prize-giving ceremonies with at least 3 crew members.