|  | **North Clyde Regatta 2024**  **Royal Northern and Clyde Yacht Club**  **21 & 22 September 2024**  **Upper Firth of Clyde, Scotland**  **Notice of Race (NoR)**  Royal Northern and Clyde Yacht Club is the Organising Authority (OA). |
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|  | The notation ‘[NP]’ in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a). |
| **1** | **RULES** |
| **1.1** | The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing.* |
| **1.2** | The prescriptions of the RYA available at www.rya.org.uk will apply. |
| **1.3** | The IRC rules available at www.ircrating.org will apply (except for Part D that will NOT apply). |
| **1.4** | The CYCA Handicap System available at www.cyca-online.org.uk will apply. |
| **2** | **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** |
| **2.1** | The sailing instructions will be available after 1200 on 1st September at the official Notice Board. There will be no physical notice board. |
| **3** | **COMMUNICATION** |
| **3.1** | The online official notice board is located at www.rncyc.com/north-clyde-regatta-2024 |
| **3.2** | [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio. The channels and details of any communications will be stated in the SIs. |
| **3.3** | On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs. |
| **3.4** | From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, 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. |
| **4** | **ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY** |
| **4.1** | The event is open to all boats with valid IRC rating certificates with handicaps of 0.840 and higher. |
| **4.2** | The event is open to all boats with CYCA rating certificates with handicaps of 0 to 19.00 minutes/hour |
| **4.3** | The event is open to Restricted Sail Class boats with CYCA rating certificates with handicaps of 0 to 21.5 minutes. In this class spinnakers shall not be used, and only one headsail may be used at any one time, except for cutter rigged (or similar) yachts that have 2 (or more) headsails recorded on their CYCA rating certificate. |
| **4.4** | The event is open to Doubled Handed Class boats for both spinnaker class(es) and restricted sail class(es) with CYCA handicaps of 0 to 21.5 minutes. In these classes crew numbers shall be restricted to two persons only. |
| **4.5** | The event is open to One Design classes that have 6 or more entries registered before the closing date. |
| **4.6** | Boats may enter the event by registering online at www.rncyc.com/north-clyde-regatta-2024 |
| **4.7** | To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees by Monday 16th September 2024 |
| **4.8** | Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the OA and on payment of the late entry fee. |
| **4.9** | The OA reserves the right to accept entries outside the stated handicap and rating limits and class numbers. |
| **5** | **FEES** |
| **5.1** | Entry fees are as follows:   | **Vessels** | **Fees** | | --- | --- | | Unrestricted sail and One Design | £ 60 over 30ft | | £ 40 under 30ft | | Restricted Sail and 2 Handed Entries | £ 40 | | Late Entry Fee Payable after 1200 on Wednesday 18 September | £ 20 | |
| **6** | **CREW LIMITATIONS** |
| **6.1** | IRC Rule 22.4 shall not apply. There will be no limitations on the maximum crew number or weight. |
| **7** | **ADVERTISING** |
| **7.1** | Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority. |
| **8** | **QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES –** Not applicable at this event |
| **9** | **SCHEDULE** |
| **9.1** | Dates of Racing. Racing within 5 miles of Rhu Marina and adjacent waters will take place on Saturday 21 and Sunday 22 September with the first warning signal on Saturday at 10:55 and on Sunday at 10:25. Further details of the courses will be provided in the Sailing Instructions. On Sunday 17 September, no warning signal will be made after 14.45. |
| **9.2** | Number of races:  IRC classes, One Design classes and boats racing with spinnakers in CYCA classes will have up to six races.  Boats racing Restricted Sail under CYCA handicap and two-handed classes will have up to two races (one race per day).  It is intended that there will be no more than four races a day, however additional races may be sailed in order to complete the programme.  Classes and start times will be determined by the number of entries. Provisional classes will be indicated on the Official Notice Board on Tuesday 17th September with the final on Thursday 19th September. |
| **10** | **EQUIPMENT INSPECTION** |
| **10.1** | Boats in IRC classes shall submit electronically via email [offie1@rncyc.com](mailto:offie1@rncyc.com) or on paper a copy of their rating or Class Certificate to the Royal Northern and Clyde Yacht Club before 5pm on the 18th September 2023. |
| **10.2** | [DP] All boats shall comply with World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations 2022-2023 Appendix B; unless otherwise specified by class rules for boats racing in one design classes, in Appendix B 5.01 the personal flotation device shall be an inflatable lifejacket defined in the starred sections of 5.01 of the main regulations. In addition, all boats shall carry a marine VHF transceiver complying with 3.29.05 of the main regulations. |
| **10.3** | [DP] Boats shall not carry anchors that project ahead of the bow. |
| **11** | **CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT –** Not applicable at this event |
| **12** | **VENUE** |
| **12.1** | The event Harbour is Rhu Marina. |
| **12.2** | Racing will be held in the locally known East Patch Race Area off Helensburgh and the Upper Firth of Clyde west and south of Rhu Marina, Chart Number 1994. |
| **13** | **COURSES** |
| **13.1** | The course(s) to be sailed will be as follows:  IRC, CYCA, & One Design classes, courses will be set using the East Patch racing marks.  Restricted Sail and Two-Handed Classes should expect to sail ‘Round the Buoys’ (fixed marks) courses.  Details of Courses and starts will be stated in the SI’s. |
| **14** | **PENALTY SYSTEM** |
| **14.1** | The penalty for a breach of a rule, other than a rule of Part 1 and 2 of the Racing Rules of Sailing, may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification. This changes RRS 64.2. |
| **14.2** | For all classes RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty. |
| **14.3** | The Post-Race Penalty and RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures shall apply (for full Information on the procedures, go to www.rya.org.uk/racing/rules/rules-disputes). The post-race penalty will be a 30% Scoring Penalty calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c). However, rule 44.1(a) applies. The outcome of an RYA Arbitration can be referred to a protest committee, but an arbitration cannot be reopened or appealed. |
| **15** | **SCORING** |
| **15.1** | For restricted Sail and two handed- Classes, a boat`s series score will be the total of her race scores.  For all other Classes;  (a) When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores.  (b) When 4 or more races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score |
| **15.2** | One race is required to be completed to constitute a series. |
| **16** | **SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS –** Not applicable at this event |
| **17** | **CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS –** Not applicable at this event |
| **18** | **BERTHING – Not applicable at this event** |
| **19** | **HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS** |
| **19.1** | [DP] Keelboats 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 –** Not applicable at this 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 OA’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** | **Right to use Names & Likenesses**. Competitors automatically grant to the Organising Authority, without payment, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any photographs, motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television of, or relating to, the event. |
| **22** | **RISK STATEMENT** |
| **22.1** | RRS 3 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, inspection 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 risks specific 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. |
| **23** | **INSURANCE** |
| **23.1** | 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 |
| **24** | **PRIZES** |
| **24.1** | Prizes will be given as follows:  To the first three boats in each class (providing there are more than five entries in that class). Where there are less than five boats the number of prizes may be reduced at the discretion of the OA. |
| **25** | **FURTHER INFORMATION** |
| **25.1** | For further information please contact the RC Sailing of the Royal Northern and Clyde Yacht Club.  T: 01436 820 322  E: office1@rnyc.com |