



NOTICE OF SERIES

Royal Southern Summer Series 2020

2/3 May

May Regatta

20/21 June

June Regatta

11/12 July

July Regatta

19/20 September

Land Union September Regatta

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1 ORGANISATION and RULES

- 1.1 The event is organised by the Royal Southern Yacht Club, Hamble, and will be governed by the rules as defined in [The Racing Rules of Sailing](#) (RRS).
- 1.2 Boats shall comply with Southampton & Portsmouth Harbour byelaws where applicable. In particular, notice is drawn to [ABP Southampton Notice to Mariners No 14 of 2019](#).
- 1.3 [IRC Rules 2020](#) parts A, B and C will apply to boats racing under IRC ratings. IRC 22.4.2 is deleted and replaced by "The maximum number of crew while racing shall be the Crew Number printed on her certificate plus two. There is no weight limit."
- 1.4 One-design and limited class boats - J/111, XODs, J/70s, HP30s and Performance 40s - shall comply with their respective class rules.
- 1.5 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.
- 1.6 This Notice of Series may be changed by Amendment or by the Sailing Instructions (SIs). If a conflict arises between the Notice of Race and the SIs, the SIs will take precedence.

2 ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1 The regatta is open to the following classes:

Class	Handicap Used	Group
IRC Classes	IRC	Black Group
J/111	One Design	Black Group
HP30	IRC	Black Group
Performance 40	IRC	Black Group
Club Class	RSrNYC Club Handicap	Black Group
J/70	One Design	White Group
XOD	One Design	White Group
Mixed Sportsboats	RSrNYC Club Handicap	White Group

- 2.2 The highest eligible IRC rating is 1.360.
- 2.3 Other classes may be invited to attend, or may request an invitation to attend by email to sailing@royal-southern.co.uk.
- 2.4 The Performance 40 Class will race with IRC1 and be dual-scored with extracted class results for the May and September Regattas.

- 2.5 The J/111 Class will be a separate class in the May, June and July Regattas, and will race in IRC1 in the September Regatta, also scored as Performance 40s.
- 2.6 Each Club Class boat shall obtain a Club Handicap before racing.
- 2.7 Any class with fewer than 6 boats on the start line in the first race of a regatta may thereafter be started or amalgamated with another class for the duration of the respective regatta.

3 ENTRY and FEES

- 3.1 Entries shall be made completing an online entry form and paying the relevant fee. The entry form and event information is at <https://www.royal-southern.co.uk/calendar/events/event/6521/>.
- 3.2 The Early Entry Deadline is at 23:59 on the 31st March.
- 3.3 The Closing Date for entries will be at 23:59 the Wednesday before the first race entered.
- 3.4 Late entries may be accepted after the Closing Date, subject to an increased Late Entry Fee.
- 3.5 Entry Fees are as follows:

Entry Type	Whole Series				Individual Regatta	
	Member		Non-Member		Member	Non-Member
	Early	Std	Early	Std		
Sportsboats	£221	£260	£277	£325	£90	£100
Up to 9.99m	£221	£260	£277	£325	£100	£115
10m to 11.99m	£289	£340	£362	£425	£120	£135
12m & Above	£323	£380	£404	£475	£140	£155
Club Class / XOD	50% reduction on entry rate					
Late Entry	25% increase on entry rate					

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4 SAFETY and COMMUNICATIONS

- 4.1 Boats racing in Black Group shall comply with the current [World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations for Category 4 races](#). A boat unable to comply in all respects with those requirements may seek a dispensation in writing from the race committee.

- 4.2 Boats racing in White Group shall comply with the [Royal Southern Yacht Club Sports Boat and Day Boat Safety Regulations 2020](#), which are available on the website— www.royal-southern.co.uk/racing.
- 4.3 All boats shall carry a functioning VHF Radio able to receive all the usual UK marine channels, including M1 (37a) and M2. Courses will be advised by VHF radio. The SIs will state the channels to be used.
- 4.4 Random safety inspections may be carried out to check compliance with the Notice of Race and SIs. A boat that either refuses an inspection or fails to give every reasonable assistance to an authorised inspector may be disqualified without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1.

5 SCHEDULE of RACES

- 5.1 The Series will consist of four regattas, held on 2-3 May, 20-21 June, 11-12 July and 19-20 September.
- 5.2 Racing for each regatta will be over two days.
- 5.3 The scheduled number of races per regatta are as follows:

Class:	Club Class	Other Black Group Classes	XODs	Other White Group Classes
No. Races:	4	6	6	Up to 10

- 5.4 The first start each day will be at 1030. Subsequent races will start as soon as possible after the end of the previous race. No warning signal will be displayed after 1330 on Sundays, unless as the result of a general recall.

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.1 The SIs will be available from 22nd April 2020 on the website—<https://www.royal-southern.co.uk/calendar/events/event/6521/>.

7 RACE AREA and COURSES

- 7.1 The racing area will be the Central Solent, with separate race areas for Black Group and White Group.
- 7.2 The courses and race area for each Group will be announced on each race day by VHF radio.
- 7.3 The courses to be sailed by Black Group will be ‘round the cans’ with a windward leeward flavour.
- 7.4 The courses to be sailed by White Group will be windward leeward; or occasionally ‘round the cans’.
- 7.5 The courses to be sailed will use marks as described in the 2020 Royal Southern YC Solent Mark Codes, available from mid-February at www.royal-southern.co.uk/racing, or as described.

8 PENALTIES

- 8.1 For Black Group boats, time penalties will apply. This will change RRS 44 and details will be in the SIs.
- 8.2 For White Group boats, RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty (one tack and one gybe, continuously).
- 8.3 Penalties arising from protests will be at the discretion of the Protest Committee and may be less than DSQ. This changes RRS 64.1.

9 SCORING

- 9.1 RRS Appendix A will apply with the following changes.
 - 9.1.1 Each individual weekend regatta is considered a separate series.
 - 9.1.2 For each individual regatta, if less than 4 races are completed; a boat’s regatta score will be the total of her race scores. If 4 or more races are completed, her regatta score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
 - 9.1.3 Performance 40s will be dual-scored in IRC and in their own class.
 - 9.1.4 Each boat that enters any of the four individual regattas will also be entered into the overall Summer Series. The overall Summer Series will consist of all the races sailed in each of the individual regattas.
 - 9.1.5 For the overall Summer Series, RRS Appendix A4.2 is changed such that a boat not competing will be scored either 36 points or one point greater than the number of boats in her class in the overall Summer Series, whichever is greater.

- 9.2 One race is required to constitute a series for both the overall Summer Series and each individual Regatta.

- 9.3 The Summer Series score will be the sum of the points from all the summer series races, discarding the worst scores as shown on the right:

Races Sailed	Discards
8 or less	0
9—12	2
13—15	3
16—18	4
19—22	5
23—29	6
30—37	8
38 or more	10

- 9.4 Scoring for the overall winner or “champion” of the Summer Series will use the Royal Southern High Points Scoring System which is available at www.royal-southern.co.uk/racing.

10 PRIZES

- 10.1 Prizes will be awarded for first, second and third place in each class, except:
- If there are between four and six boats racing, only first and second place will be awarded prizes.
 - If there are fewer than four boats racing, only first place will be awarded a prize.
- 10.2 Prizes for each individual regatta will be awarded that weekend at the end of racing.
- 10.3 Prizes for the overall Summer Series, as well as any further prizes chosen by the Organising Authority, will be awarded at the Annual Prize Giving held at the Royal Southern Yacht Club on the 14th of November.

11 LAUNCHING, RECOVERY and BERTHING

- 11.1 Sportsboat or RIB launching & recovery, and berthing for other boats, may be available by prior booking. Please contact the Sailing Office in advance at sailing@royal-southern.co.uk.

12 RISK STATEMENT

- 12.1 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 (if any) and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- (f) The provision of patrol boat cover (if any) is limited to such assistance, particularly in

extreme weather conditions, as can practically be 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;
- (h) 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 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.

13 INSURANCE

- 13.1 Each participating boat shall be adequately insured with valid third-party liability insurance.

14 PERSONAL INFORMATION

- 14.1 The personal information that owners, charterers, competitors and others provide to the organizing authority will be used to facilitate their participation in the event. If they 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 they are not bound by the rules, the legal basis for processing that personal information is legitimate interest. Their personal information will be stored and used in accordance with the organizing 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.

15 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 15.1 For further information, please contact the Sailing Office as below:

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