



# 2020 HAMBLE CLASSICS REGATTA

## Hosted by the Royal Southern Yacht Club

21st – 23rd AUGUST

### NOTICE OF RACE (NoR)

(including Amendments to the NoR No.1 (on page 1) & No.2 (on page 6))

Racing for all classes on Saturday / Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> August  
Racing for IRC yachts rating 0.950 and above also on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> August

The Organising Authority (OA) is the Royal Southern Yacht Club  
appointed by and in consultation with Hamble Classics®

### COVID-19 STATEMENT (amended)

The event will be run in accordance with Government and RYA Guidelines relating to the COVID-19 pandemic that are applicable at the time of the event. Crew restrictions and social distancing rules are likely to be in place. Current RYA guidance is at [www.rya.org.uk/programmes/Pages/return-to-boating.aspx](http://www.rya.org.uk/programmes/Pages/return-to-boating.aspx).

By taking part in any of the events covered by this notice of race, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that they are responsible for complying with any regulations in force from time to time in respect of COVID-19 and for complying with the Royal Southern Yacht Club COVID-19 procedures.

#### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017 – 2020 and the RYA Prescriptions.
- 1.2 The event is to be raced under the principles of the RYA Racing Charter.
- 1.3 The current IRC Rules Parts A, B and C will apply for classes using IRC handicaps.
- 1.4 The OGA Handicap Rule will apply for Gaff-Rigged Yachts in the Gaffer classes.
- 1.5 Class rules will apply for One-Design class entries and International (Metre) Class entries.
- 1.6 All entrants are required to observe the COVID-19 regulations and guidance applicable at the time of the event which will be posted on the Royal Southern Yacht Club website and displayed at the club. While it may be safe and acceptable to conduct racing if the lock-down has been eased, restrictions on large social gatherings may eliminate the opportunity for bar sales and meal provision. The Royal Southern Yacht Club reserves the right to cancel, postpone or modify the format of the event at any point before or during the event and accepts no liability for losses incurred by entrants and others. If the event is cancelled before it commences a full refund of entry fee will be offered to entrants.
- 1.7 This Notice of Race may be amended in response to changes in the Government and RYA Guidelines.

#### 2. ADVERTISING

Advertising is permitted in accordance with class rules and World Sailing Regulation 20. Boats may be required to display advertising supplied by the OA.

### 3. ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1 To be eligible to enter boats must fit within the following categories:
- 3.1.1 Yachts and Dayboats of pre-1971 design of Classic Style built in traditional wood construction and including one-design classes of traditional wood construction.
- 3.1.2 GRP and composite versions of above category (3.1.1).
- 3.1.3 International Rule (Metre Rule) class yachts with age divisions if viable and agreed with the class.
- 3.1.4 Spirit of Tradition (Modern Classic) Yachts and Dayboats with an IRC rating TCC 1.040 and above.
- 3.1.5 Gaff Rigged Yachts of traditional style with no restriction on design age, build date or construction. Includes OGA classes, traditional working boats, spirit of tradition, and those designed and built primarily for racing.
- 3.2 **Entry by Special Invitation** – boats other than those that fit in the categories in 3.1 above must first obtain a special invitation to enter including:
- 3.2.1 Yachts of pre-1971 design of Classic Style built only in GRP or of Aluminium construction.
- 3.2.2 Spirit of Tradition (Modern Classic) Yachts and Dayboats of IRC rating TCC 1.039 and below.
- 3.2.3 Light displacement/ planing type Yachts & Dayboats of Classic Style, with fixed keel & through-hull rudderstock.
- 3.2.4 Within categories 3.2.2 and 3.2.3 a minimum of four entries is required for a class start (for each type).
- 3.2.5 To request a special invitation to enter please email the Event Director Jonty Sherwill at [jonty@sherwilldesign.com](mailto:jonty@sherwilldesign.com)
- 3.3 In categories 3.1.1 to 3.1.4, 3.2.1 and 3.2.2 boats shall be of displacement type and single fin keel design (with or without centreboard).
- 3.4 Entries in categories 3.1.1, 3.1.2 and 3.2.1 will be in a single group before class divisions are arranged.
- 3.5 The inclusion of invited entries will not be subject to protest from other yachts.
- 3.6 Entries in categories 3.1.3, 3.1.4, 3.2.2 and 3.2.3 will race as separate classes or as directed.
- 3.7 Entries will not be accepted from boats with trapezes or those deemed by the OA to be unsuitable.
- 3.8 As directed other suitable entries may race with boats in categories 3.1.4, 3.2.2 and 3.2.3.
- 3.9 Gaff Rigged yachts may request to race in another appropriate class at the discretion of the OA.
- 3.10 **Size and draft:** Provisionally the length limit for competing yachts is 22 metres Hull Length (HL) and the draft limit is 3.0 metres. However yachts that exceed these figures may request to take part. The decision of the OA will be final.
- 3.11 **Entry fees** listed below are for a two day regatta on Saturday and Sunday, 22nd and 23rd August, except that IRC rated yachts rating 0.950 and above (and other yachts if separately invited by Hamble Classics) wishing to take part in racing on Friday 21st August are to add £60 to the Early Bird Entry or Standard Entry fees, or £90 to the Late Entry fee, whichever is applicable.
- 3.12 **Late entries** may be accepted if received before 16:00 on Thursday 20th August but will be at the discretion of the OA. The Late Entry Fee will be the Standard Entry fee plus 50%.
- 3.13 **Berthing** is NOT included in the Entry Fees. If berthing is required see paragraph 12 for information.
- 3.14 **Eligible boats may enter by:**
- (a) Providing a completed online entry form at <https://www.royal-southern.co.uk/calendar/events/event/8116/> or by email to: [sailing@royal-southern.co.uk](mailto:sailing@royal-southern.co.uk)
- (b) Paying the Entry Fee as follows:

Hull Length (LH) (not LOA) - therefore excludes bowsprit & bumpkin length:	Early Bird Entry received before 16:00 Monday July 20th	Standard Entry received before 16:00 Monday August 10th	Late Entry received before 16:00 Thursday August 20th (see para 3.12)
Up to 7 metres	£45	£65	1.5 x standard entry
Up to 8 metres	£55	£75	1.5 x standard entry
Up to 9 metres	£65	£85	1.5 x standard entry
Up to 10 metres	£75	£95	1.5 x standard entry
Up to 11 metres	£85	£105	1.5 x standard entry

Up to 12 metres	£95	£115	1.5 x standard entry
Up to 13 metres	£105	£125	1.5 x standard entry
Up to 14 metres	£115	£135	1.5 x standard entry
Up to 15 metres	£125	£145	1.5 x standard entry
Up to 16 metres	£135	£155	1.5 x standard entry
Up to 17 metres	£145	£165	1.5 x standard entry
Up to 18 metres	£155	£175	1.5 x standard entry
Up to 19 metres	£165	£185	1.5 x standard entry
Up to 20 metres	£175	£195	1.5 x standard entry
Up to 21 metres	£185	£205	1.5 x standard entry
Up to 22 metres	£195	£215	1.5 x standard entry
Above 22 metres	add £10 per m.	add £10 per m.	add £15 per m.
IRC racing on Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> August (TCC 0.950 & above)	add £60	add £60	add £90

#### 4. EVENT SCHEDULE AND FORMAT

This schedule may be subject to alterations in response to changes in the Government and RYA Guidelines.

- 4.1 Friday 21st August (optional day for racing tbc.) 10:30 First Warning Signal for IRC yachts rating 0.950 and above  
12:00 to 18:00 Yacht arrivals and Registration  
15:00 to 16:00 Tea and Cakes  
18:15 Welcome Reception & Competitor Briefing  
Club Supper available
- Saturday 22nd August 07:30 to 08:45 Registration  
08:20 Competitor Briefing if required  
10:30 First Warning Signal  
Rum Party after racing  
Race Day Prize Giving - target time 15:00  
18:30 for 19:00 Hamble Classics Dinner (ticket sale details at event webpage)
- Sunday 23rd August 10:30 First Warning Signal  
Main Prize Giving after racing - target time 15:30
- All times are BST.
- 4.2 The list of entries, handicaps and class splits will be provided at or before 17:00 on Thursday 20th August.
- 4.3 Classes and class starts may be combined in the starting schedule depending on numbers entered. Two or more classes may be started at the same time as necessary to run the racing effectively.
- 4.4 For a One-Design class start four or more entries are required, although two boats of the same type when competing in a handicap class may receive a prize for the first boat.
- 4.5 The race series will consist of up to 6 races for IRC yachts rating 0.950 and above (when sailed over three days), up to 4 races for other IRC classes, up to 5 races for one-design and level racing classes, up to three races for Regatta classes and up to 2 races for Gaffer classes, or as agreed with each class before the event.
- 4.6 On Sunday, no warning signal will be made after 13:30.

#### 5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available on the event website at or before 17:00 on Thursday 20th August.

#### 6 RACE AREA

The racing area will be in the Solent and adjacent waters.

#### 7 THE COURSES

A variety of round-the-cans courses will be sailed, with some windward-leeward courses for appropriate classes. Downwind or reaching starts may be used for some classes. Further details will be provided in the Sailing Instructions.

## **8 HANDICAPS**

Yachts that wish to race in the IRC divisions will need a current IRC certificate (non-endorsed) available via the RORC rating website: <https://myirc.rorcrating.com> / Tel: 01590 677030.

Yachts without a current IRC rating certificate are welcome to enter and will be given a 'Regatta' handicap based data submitted plus other relevant information, and will race in the 'Regatta' class(es). A yacht with an IRC certificate but requesting or requested to join a Regatta class will be given a Regatta handicap. Regatta handicaps will be supplied free-of-charge and yacht data to obtain a handicap is required by Saturday August 15th. Boat data for Regatta handicaps should be submitted online at: <http://eepurl.com/dm90vv>  
Handicaps for Gaff Rigged Yachts will be provided by the Solent Old Gaffers Association.

## **9 PENALTIES**

The sailing instructions will change RRS 44.1 so that the penalty shall be a One-Turn Penalty (one tack & one gybe) or an Alternative Time Penalty.

## **10 SCORING**

- 10.1 One race shall be completed to constitute a series. The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply except that there will be no discarded scores, and RRS A8.2 shall not apply.
- 10.2 For International Rule (Metre Rule) classes, XOD and other one-design and level racing classes, ties unbroken after A8.1 shall be resolved in favour of the boat with the lowest elapsed time for all races added together.
- 10.3 For handicap classes, ties unbroken after A8.1 shall be resolved in favour of the boat with the lowest corrected time for all races added together.

## **11 SAFETY AND COMMUNICATION**

- 11.1 All yachts shall carry a VHF Radio capable of receiving all the usual UK marine channels.
- 11.2 All yachts (other than dayboats) shall comply with World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) for Category 4 races, except that Regulations 3.09.1, 3.09.2 and 3.09.5 regarding cockpit self-draining, water tightness and draining, and height of the cockpit sole, and 3.14 regarding lifelines, stanchions and pulpits, shall not apply. Further dispensations can be requested in writing.
- 11.3 Yachts that normally sail with stanchions and guardwires in place shall not remove them for the regatta.
- 11.4 Dayboats shall comply with the Dayboat Safety Regulations (available at the event webpage) and One-Design class and International (Metre) class boats shall also conform to their class rules.
- 11.5 All participants are advised to wear a personal flotation device at all times while afloat and that conforms to World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) Category 4 and is correctly serviced. When flag Y is displayed by the Race Committee in accordance with RRS 40 it is compulsory for lifejackets to be worn.
- 11.6 Anchors stowed on deck shall not protrude over the bow.

## **12 BERTHING**

Berthing for visiting yachts must be arranged separately by the entrant. A limited amount of berthing may be available at the Royal Southern Yacht Club. A full list of contact information for the nearby marinas and the River Hamble Harbour Office is available to download at the event webpage.

## **13 PRIZES**

Overall series awards based on the cumulative scores for the event will be awarded at the prize giving to first, second and third place boats in each class after the final race. Other awards and trophies may be presented.

## **14 RISK STATEMENT**

- 14.1 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, in date, and is familiar to the crew; and:
- (i) Their boat is adequately insured, with cover of at least £3 million against third party claims.
- (j) Any inspection of a boat by the race committee does not reduce the responsibilities set out in this Notice of Race.

**15 TEMPORARY MEMBERSHIP**

All entrants are temporary members of the Royal Southern Yacht Club for the duration of the event.

**16 RIGHT & COPYRIGHT**

In participating in the Hamble Classics Regatta any competitor automatically grants the OA and Hamble Classics permission to make, use and show, from time to time, any motion pictures and live, taped or film television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the event without compensation, in perpetuity.

**17 FURTHER INFORMATION**

For general enquiries about the Hamble Classics Regatta:

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Website: [www.royal-southern.co.uk](http://www.royal-southern.co.uk)

**18 EVENT OWNERSHIP, TRADEMARK & COPYRIGHT**

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**19 GDPR & PERSONAL DATA**

Contact details provided by the entrant to the OA at entry to the regatta will be shared with Hamble Classics and will only be used for correspondence with the entrant for the purpose of sending further information relating to Hamble Classics and associated events and will not be passed to any third party without the entrant's permission.

**20 EVENT MANAGEMENT**

The Hamble Classics Event Director is Jonty Sherwill, who together with co-founder Vicki Weston decide the policy and format of the Regatta, its venue, timing and content. They work closely with the appointed Organising Authority that is responsible for the safe running of the regatta and overall delivery of the event programme. From time to time Hamble Classics will invite representatives of the OA and/or yacht owners and others to participate in discussions to consult on current and future plans for the event.

**21 ENVIRONMENT**

The Hamble Classics Regatta and the OA is committed to upholding the goals of the RYA's Green Blue initiative to minimise the event's environmental impact and requests that entrants help in this endeavour whenever possible, in particular with regard to reducing fuel usage, ensuring appropriate garbage disposal, avoidance of non-biodegradable litter going overboard, reduction in use of single use plastic packaging, and any other best practice to minimise pollution of the marine environment. Further information is available online at:

<https://thegreenblue.org.uk/clubs-centres-associations/running-a-sustainable-event/>

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## **22 AMENDMENT TO THE NOTICE OF RACE No.2**

### **1 COVID-19 Guidance**

- 1.1 All competitors are reminded notwithstanding any crew limitations stated below of the government guidance on social distancing and other COVID-19 measures, the COVID-19 statement in the Notice of Race, as amended 27/07/2020 and 07/08/2020, and the RYA Guidance on sailing & racing with participants from different households during COVID-19 in England.

### **2. Crew Number**

- 2.1 For IRC class entries crew number to be up to a maximum of 8 people or two-thirds of a boat's IRC crew number (rounded down) whichever is the least, but in any case allowing up to three crew. This amends IRC rule 22.4.
- 2.2 For entries within the Regatta Handicap classes, any one-design boats included are to adhere to their class rule crew number limit or fewer, but otherwise the requirement is as follows:  
up to 7.7m LH (hull length) maximum 3 crew,  
up to 9m LH maximum 4 crew,  
up to 10.5m LH maximum 5 crew,  
up to 12m LH maximum 6 crew,  
up to 14m LH maximum 7 crew,  
and over 14m LH maximum 8 crew.
- 2.3 One-design class entries are to adhere to their class rule crew number limit or fewer.
- 2.4 For entries within the Regatta Handicap classes, boats declaring one or more crew fewer than the maximums stated in paragraph 2.2 above will, on request, have their base handicap number reduced by 0.005.
- 2.5 For the Gaffer classes competitors should have regard to paragraph 2.2 above as guidance, unless sail handling requirements dictate that an extra one person is needed.
- 2.6 Boats racing are not to be sailed singlehanded.

### **3. Non-Spinnaker handicaps**

- 3.1 For IRC Class entries a boat may select to race without the use of any downwind sail and be rated on their non-spinnaker TCC. This amends IRC rule 8.6. Headsail changes for downwind legs are not permitted but a headsail may be poled out. This selection will be fixed for all races and boats are required to notify the sailing office before 16:00 on Wednesday 19th August.
- 3.2 For entries within the Regatta Handicap classes, a boat may select to race without the use of any downwind sail, in which case their handicap will, on request, be adjusted downward by 1% rounded up. Headsail changes for downwind legs are not permitted but a headsail may be poled out. This selection will be fixed for all races and boats are required to notify the sailing office before 16:00 on Wednesday 19th August.

**Note:** Regatta handicap class entries can submit boat data at our handicapping webpage:  
<http://eepurl.com/dm90vv>