



2020 HAMBLE CLASSICS REGATTA

Hosted by the Royal Southern Yacht Club

21st – 23rd AUGUST

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

Racing for All Classes on Saturday / Sunday 22nd – 23rd August

1. RULES

1.1 By taking part in the Regatta, 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 YC's COVID-19 procedures.

1.2 The Regatta will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of the RYA, the Notice of Race including Amendments (NoR) and these Sailing Instructions. In the case of conflict these Sailing Instructions will prevail; this changes Rule 63.7.

1.3 Boats shall comply with Southampton Harbour Bye-Laws and Notice to Mariners No. 14 of 2019 concerning the Thorn Channel Precautionary Area. Further guidance can be found in the ABP Yachtsman's Guide to Southampton Water and its Approaches. This and the Notice to Mariners can be downloaded from www.southamptonvts.co.uk

1.4 Shipping:

(a) In order to avoid the risk of collision with commercial shipping that is under way, a boat may use her engine, or any other means of propulsion, without retiring.

(b) Such use shall be reported to the Race Committee (RC) at the finish and with full details to the race office before the protest

time limit, in writing if requested. The RC may refer the matter to the Protest Committee which may impose a penalty without a hearing if an advantage has been gained. This affects RRS 42.3(i) and changes 63.1.

(c) Boats should have an alternative means of propulsion ready for immediate use if there is any possibility of a close quarters situation developing between them and a commercial vessel.

1.5 In addition to and changing RRS 32.1, the Race Committee (RC) may shorten the course or abandon a race due to major windshifts or irregular winds.

1.6 Crew Limits are as stated in the Notice of Race Amendment 2.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

2.1 Official notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board (ONB) which is online at Yachtscoring for which the link is <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=13039>

2.2 Some information may additionally be provided via the WhatsApp group.

3. SAFETY

- 3.1 Conduct of Racing: competitors are reminded that this is a classic yacht regatta with a wide range of boats with varying speed and handling characteristics, and close quarters situations that risk accidental damage are to be avoided. A constant watch for other boats should be maintained at all times including during and between races. During the starting sequences boats in later starts should keep well clear of and behind the start line and its extensions. Skippers and tacticians should familiarise themselves with the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and particular attention is drawn to Part 2 Section B "When Boats Meet." The RRS can be read online at [https://www.sailing.org/tools/documents/WorldSailingRRS20172020new-\[24067\].pdf](https://www.sailing.org/tools/documents/WorldSailingRRS20172020new-[24067].pdf). Copies of the RRS including the RYA prescriptions are available from the RYA or chandlery.
- 3.2 No anchor shall be carried forward of the stem or with any part of it outboard, except when anchoring.
- 3.3 No outboard motor shall be stowed outboard while racing.
- 3.4 Any boat that cannot readily comply with SI 3.1 or 3.2 may apply to the RC for a dispensation which will be entirely at the RC's discretion.
- 3.5 Retirement. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the RC by VHF radio before leaving the race area, or by notifying the Race Office no later than immediately after arriving ashore.
- 3.6 Attention is drawn to NoR paragraph 11 "Safety and Communication", including requirements for VHF radio, World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations, Royal Southern Yacht Club Dayboat Safety Regulations, and personal flotation devices.

4. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS and SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted by 0830 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1930 on the day before it takes effect.
- 4.2 Race information and changes to sailing instructions may be broadcast on VHF on the water before the warning signal in accordance with RRS 90.2(c).

- 4.3 Signals made ashore will be flown at the R SnrYC flagstaff. Should it be necessary to postpone or cancel a race, the appropriate signal may be flown at that flagstaff. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in RRS Race Signals AP. This changes RRS Race Signals.

5. RADIO CHANNELS

- 5.1 There will be two start lines. The "Red Line" will operate on channel 72, callsign Hamble Classics Red Line. The "Green Line" will operate on channel M1 (37), callsign Hamble Classics Green Line.
- 5.3 Courses and other racing information will be advised by VHF radio. Boats are advised to monitor this traffic from 0900 and throughout the day.
- 5.4 If transmissions on these channels fail or are blocked, IC flag "R" will be displayed on the relevant committee boat. For the Red Line, channel 06 will be used instead. For the Green Line, channel 08 will be used instead.
- 5.5 Boats should ensure they know how to tune to those channels.

6. START LINES, COMMITTEE BOAT IDENTIFICATION, CLASSES, CLASS FLAGS, and SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1 See Appendix 1 for:
- (a) the Line to which each class is allocated and its likely start location
 - (b) the flag identifying the main committee boat for each Line.
 - (c) the class flags that will be used
 - (d) the intended timings for the first race each day
 - (e) the number of races scheduled for each class
- 6.2 The Race Committee (RC) may start classes together if lack of time or entry numbers justify this. The RC will advise competitors of its intentions by radio.
- 6.3 For classes with more than one race in a day: subsequent races will start as soon as possible after the end of the previous race. The order and timing of starts may vary to reduce delays. The RC will advise competitors of its intentions by radio.

- 6.4 No warning signal will be made after 1330 hrs on Sunday except as the result of a general recall.
- 6.5 Boats are requested to display the designated class flag if possible, at the stern at least 1.5 metres above deck level. If the boat does not have the relevant class flag, a burgee or OGA pennant may be substituted to demonstrate to other boats and to the RC that they are racing.

7. RACING AREA

- 7.1 Racing will be in the Solent and Southampton Water.
- 7.2 The start location for each Line will be announced regularly on VHF Radio from about 0900 each day. It may also be advised by WhatsApp.
- 7.3 The start area may be up to 6 miles from the R SrnYC. Boats should allow enough time to get to the start.

8. COURSES

- 8.1 Courses will be advised by VHF radio using the Hamble Classics Solent Mark Codes 2020 list (Appendix 2).
- 8.2 The course will normally be announced at about 9 minutes before the start for each class (and in any case before the warning signal) and repeated after the preparatory signal.
- 8.3 Any inflatable mark that is to be used will be described by the RC by radio.
- 8.4 If an inflatable windward laid mark is used, its approximate range and bearing from the main committee boat will be advised by the RC by radio.

9. THE START

- 9.1 As an "attention" signal to alert boats, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound five minutes before the first warning signal of a race start sequence.
- 9.2 The Starting Line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the main committee boat and an outer distance mark (ODM).

- 9.3 Alternative ODMs of different colours or shapes may be in use for different classes. The appropriate mark for each class start will be advised by the RC by radio. A mark that is not in use may remain in place.

- 9.4 An inner distance mark (IDM) may be laid near the main committee boat. Boats shall not cross the line between the IDM and the main committee boat after the one-minute signal for each race and before starting and clearing the line. A boat infringing this rule will receive a 2-minute time penalty.

- 9.5 (a) Races will be started using the "5-4-1-go" sequence of RRS 26, with the warning signal 5 minutes before the starting signal. There will be a gap of five minutes between the start of one class and the warning signal for the next, so that classes start 10 minutes apart, unless 9.2 (b) below applies.

(b) Exceptionally, after a long postponement or if time is short or for other reasons, the warning signal for a class may be at the same time as the start for the preceding class. Arrangements for each start will be advised by the RC by radio.

- 9.6 Premature starting (OCS): Flag X-Ray will not be displayed and no sound signal will be made. Any boat that is OCS at the starting signal need not return to the pre-start side of the starting line but will receive a 3-minute time penalty, or such higher penalty as the RC deems appropriate if the boat is judged to have gained a significant advantage. The RC may announce by radio about 1-2 minutes after the starting signal the name(s) or sail number(s) of any boat(s) penalised under this SI. This changes RRS 29.1, 63.1 and A5.

- 9.7 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting line area during the starting sequence for other classes. A careful watch for other boats should be maintained at all times.

10. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 10.1 If a windward-leeward course is in use around laid inflatable marks, a change in the course may be made to shorten or lengthen a leg by no more than 0.25 mile, or to alter its direction by no more than 20°, without making any signals. The change may be advised by radio. This changes RRS 33.

11. THE FINISH

- 11.1 Except as provided in SI 11.2, the finishing line will be between the last mark of the course and a staff displaying an orange flag on the adjacent race committee vessel flying a blue flag.
- 11.2 If for any reason a committee boat is not on station at the last mark of the course, each boat shall record its own finish time when abeam the mark and passing it within 100 metres. "Abeam" is 90 degrees from the previous mark of the course. The finish time is to be passed to the RC as soon as possible, via WhatsApp or in case of difficulty by VHF radio to the relevant Red or Green Line committee boat (and must await an acknowledgement) or by telephone to the R Sn Sailing Office.

12. TIME LIMITS

12.1 TIME LIMITS ON SATURDAY

- (a) A time limit for the first boat to finish may be announced by VHF radio at or before the class Warning Signal.
- (b) In the IRC classes, any boat that does not finish within 40 minutes after the first boat of her class sails the course and finishes before the time limit may be scored OTL (Over Time Limit).
- (c) In the Regatta and Gaffer classes, any boat that does not finish within 60 minutes after the first boat of her class sails the course and finishes before the time limit may be scored OTL (Over Time Limit).
- (d) In the XOD class, any boat that does not finish within 20 minutes after the first boat of her class sails the course and finishes before the time limit may be scored OTL (Over Time Limit).

12.2 TIME LIMITS ON SUNDAY

On Sunday, for each class, the time limit for the first boat to finish is 1430. Any boat that does not finish within 45 minutes after the first boat of her class sails the course and finishes before the time limit may be scored OTL.

- 12.3 Points for OTL: one point more than the last placed boat to finish before the time limit expired. If more than one boat in the class is to be scored OTL, points will be awarded as described in rule A7. This changes rule A4.2 and A5. If boats in the class are still racing, the RC will announce the time expiry by radio.

- 12.4 The times mentioned in 12.1 and 12.2 above may be extended at the discretion of the RC at any time after the warning signal or during the race. Any extension will be advised by radio.

13. PENALTIES

- 13.1 The Two-Turns Penalty of RRS 44.1 is replaced by a One-Turn Penalty.
- 13.2 If a boat prefers, instead of a One-Turn Penalty she may accept a penalty of 1% of her elapsed time. In that case she must conspicuously display a yellow flag at the first reasonable opportunity (normally within a few seconds) and keep it displayed until the finish. She must then draw it to the attention of the RC, advising the RC by hail or radio of the incident to which it relates, and await an acknowledgement.
- 13.3 If a boat is required to take a Penalty in accordance with SI 13.1 or 13.2 and fails to do so, but acknowledges an infringement before the protest time limit expires, she will be penalised 3% of her elapsed time. If she acknowledges an infringement later but before the start of a relevant protest hearing, she will be penalised 5% of her elapsed time.
- 13.4 Rule 44.1(b) continues to apply regardless of SIs 13.2 and 13.3.

14. PROTESTS AND REQUEST FOR REDRESS

- 14.1 Boats intending to protest or acknowledging an infringement shall report this to the main committee boat as soon as possible after the end of the race in question. This changes RRS 61.1(a).
- 14.2 Protests must be lodged within 40 minutes of the return of the relevant finishing committee boat to the R SnYC yacht haven or to its berth nearby. The protest time limit will be posted on the ONB. Protests shall be lodged via Yachtscoring (<https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=13039>). This changes RRS 61.2 and 61.3. The parties shall promptly send a representative to attend any hearing in person and if they fail to do so, the protest committee may decide the protest in their absence.
- 14.3 Notice of protests by the RC or the Protest Committee (PC) will be posted on the ONB. This changes RRS 61.1(b).

- 14.4 A list of protests will be displayed on the ONB within 15 minutes after the protest time limit along with time and place of the protest hearing. This changes RRS 63.2.
- 14.5 Protests may be heard at the R SnNYC as soon as possible after racing on the day of the incident. Social distancing rules will be observed.
- 14.6 Changing RRS 66: on the last scheduled day of racing, a request for reopening a hearing, or a request arising from a protest committee decision, shall be delivered within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day; otherwise no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.
- 14.7 A boat penalised by the RC under SI 9.4 or 9.6 is entitled to a hearing upon request.
- 14.8 Penalties arising from protests are at the discretion of the PC. This changes RRS 64.1(a). If the PC considers that points for retiring from a race make an insufficient penalty in the circumstances, it may impose a higher penalty.

15. SCORING

- 15.1 The Low Points System of RRS Appendix A will apply except that:
 - (a) All races will count.
 - (b) RRS A8.2 shall not apply. Instead:

For the XOD class, ties unbroken after A8.1 shall be resolved in favour of the boat with the lowest elapsed time for all races added together.

For all other classes, ties unbroken after A8.1 shall be resolved in favour of the boat with the lowest corrected time for all races added together.
 - (c) All the following scores will rank behind boats with times in each race: OTL will rank above all other untimed scores such as DNC, DNS, OCS, RTD, DNF, DSQ, BFD which will rank equally with each other.

16. PRIZES

- 16.1 There will be an announcement of day prize winners on Saturday afternoon with target time 1500. Prizes will be mailed to the winners.

- 16.2 Overall prizes will be awarded to each class and other trophies awarded. The overall Regatta Prize giving will NOT take place on Sunday but results will be published online as soon as convenient after racing and any relevant protests. Prizes will be mailed to the winners.

17. RISK STATEMENT

Attention is drawn to the Risk Statement set out in the Notice of Race paragraph 14 and the undertaking by the competitors to accept the Notice of Race and comply with its provisions.

18. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please contact the Royal Southern Sailing Office:

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APPENDIX 1 START LINES, COMMITTEE BOAT I/D, CLASSES, CLASS FLAGS, and SCHEDULE OF RACES

A1.1 The following tables set out the allocation of classes to start lines; class flags; start times for the first race each day; number of races; committee boat identification, start locations.

RED LINE Radio Callsign Hamble Classics Red Line			
SATURDAY 22 and SUNDAY 23 August			
Class	Class Flag	Warning signal	Start
IRC Class Zero (Spirit Yachts)	IC 0	1030	1035
IRC 1 Class (all other IRC rated boats)	IC 1	1040	1045
Regatta Class 1 (rating 0.825 & above)	IC 3	1050	1055
<p>The orange flag will be displayed as an “attention” signal at 1025 (SI 9.1).</p> <p>The IRC Classes are each scheduled to have up to two races per day.</p> <p>The Regatta 1 class is scheduled to have up to 2 races on Saturday and one on Sunday. If Saturday’s races are not completed then at the discretion of the RC, two races may be sailed on Sunday.</p> <p>The Red Line main committee boat is expected to be <i>Wet Wheels Hamble</i>, a 10m catamaran motorboat. The start location will be advised each morning, see SI 7.2. Two of the possible locations are near John Fisher buoy (code 4Q) off Hill Head; or within about 1 mile of East Bramble buoy (code 41).</p> <p>For classes scheduled to have two races on a day, the second race will be started as soon as convenient after the end of the first race.</p>			

GREEN LINE Radio Callsign Hamble Classics Green Line			
SATURDAY 22 and SUNDAY 23 August			
Class	Class Flag	Warning signal	Start
Gaffer class	IC 7	1030	1035
XOD	IC W	1040	1045
Regatta 2 class (rating 0.824 and below)	IC 4	1050	1055
<p>The orange flag will be displayed as an “attention” signal at 1025 (SI 9.1).</p> <p>The XOD class is scheduled to have up to three races on Saturday and two on Sunday.</p> <p>The Regatta 2 class is scheduled to have up to 2 races on Saturday and one on Sunday.</p> <p>For the XOD and Regatta 2 classes, if Saturday’s races are not completed then at the discretion of the RC, an extra race may be sailed on Sunday.</p> <p>The Gaffer class is scheduled to have one race each day.</p> <p>The Green Line main committee boat is expected to be <i>Boysterous</i>, a navy blue 43’ Oyster motor cruiser. The start location will be advised each morning, see SI 7.2. Two of the possible locations are near Coronation buoy (code 4B); or near John Fisher buoy (code 4Q) off Hill Head.</p> <p>Subsequent races will be started as soon as convenient after the end of the previous race.</p>			

APPENDIX 2 - HAMBLE CLASSICS SOLENT MARKS LIST 2020

Consistent with the SCRA and Royal Southern Solent Marks lists but omitting some marks; and including extra marks in Zone 8.

Zones 2/3 West Solent					Zone 5 East Solent				
ID	Name	Colour	Lat N	Long W	ID	Name	Colour	Lat N	Long W
2T	Lymington Bank	R	50 43.10	01 30.85	5A	Liam (ex Regatta Lets)	Y	50 45.03	01 11.89
2X	Solent Bank	R	50 44.23	01 27.37	5B	Mother Bank	R	50 45.49	01 11.21
20	Sconce	BY	50 42.53	01 31.43	5C	Browndown	G	50 46.57	01 10.95
21	Black Rock	G	50 42.57	01 30.59	5F	North Sturbridge	BY	50 45.33	01 08.23
26	Hamstead Ledge	G	50 43.87	01 26.18	50	Fairhall West @	Y	50 46.81	01 10.40
3A	West Lepe	R	50 45.24	01 24.09	51	SBSC Central @	Y	50 46.60	01 09.85
3D	Salt Mead	G	50 44.51	01 23.04	Zone 7 Southampton Water				
3G	Sevenstar Yacht Transport	Y	50 46.58	01 21.46	ID	Name	Colour	Lat N	Long W
3H	East Lepe	R	50 45.93	01 21.07	7A	Gymp	R	50 53.07	01 24.16
3L	Gurnard Ledge	G	50 45.51	01 20.59	7B	Hythe Knock	R	50 52.83	01 23.81
3N	Stansore (ex Quinnell)*	Y	50 47.07	01 19.88	7C	No 1 Swinging	G	50 53.00	01 23.44
3R	North East Gurnard	R	50 47.06	01 19.42	7D	Weston Shelf	G	50 52.71	01 23.26
3S	Royal Thames *	Y	50 47.81	01 19.25	7J	Deans Elbow	R	50 52.20	01 22.85
3U	Gurnard	BY	50 46.22	01 18.84	7K	NW Netley	G	50 52.31	01 22.73
3V	West Bramble #	YBY	50 47.20	01 18.65	7N	Royal Southampton *	Y	50 51.76	01 22.28
3W	Williams Shipping *	Y	50 47.20	01 18.55	7Q	Netley	G	50 52.03	01 21.81
3Y	West Knoll	Y	50 47.43	01 17.84	7R	Lains Lake	R	50 51.59	01 21.65
3Z	Trinity House Buoy	Y	50 46.31	01 17.75	7S	Deans Lake	R	50 51.40	01 21.59
30	RORC *	Y	50 47.12	01 17.72	7U	Hound	G	50 51.68	01 21.52
31	South Bramble	G	50 46.98	01 17.72	7W	After Barn	G	50 51.53	01 20.82
33	Prince Consort	BY	50 46.41	01 17.56	7Y	Cadland	R	50 51.02	01 20.54
Zone 4 Mid Solent (E)					7Z	Greenland	G	50 51.11	01 20.38
4A	Reach #	G	50 49.05	01 17.65	70	Cathead *	Y	50 50.61	01 19.24
4B	Coronation	Y	50 49.55	01 17.62	71	Mark *	Y	50 49.56	01 18.94
4C	Chilling (ex Club2Class.com) *	Y	50 49.21	01 17.46	72	Hamble Point	YB	50 50.15	01 18.66
4D	Calshot #	BY	50 48.44	01 17.03	73	Bald Head	G	50 49.80	01 18.07
4E	Jane (ex Mike Till)*	Y	50 47.67	01 17.00	77	Fawley Deep	G	50 50.42	01 19.19
4F	Deloitte Sailing Club	Y	50 47.20	01 17.00	Zone 8 Local Marks & Positions				
4G	Cutter (ex Velociwrap Graphics)	Y	50 49.45	01 16.91	8M to 8Y are standard positions for movable marks. The buoy will be described, e.g. "black inflatable."				
4H	East Knoll	G	50 47.96	01 16.83	8L	0.2M SSE of 4D Calshot N card.		50 48.28	01 16.90
4J	hamblewinterseries.com *	Y	50 48.63	01 16.65	8M	0.4M W of 4N QXI International		50 47.22	01 16.46
4K	Royal London YC	Y	50 46.15	01 16.65	8P	0.4M W of 4W Goodall Roofing		50 47.30	01 15.25
4L	William *	Y	50 49.03	01 16.49	8Q	0.4M SE of 4Q John Fisher		50 48.28	01 15.21
4M	Hill Head	R	50 48.07	01 16.00	8R	0.5M SE of 4S Royal Southern		50 48.64	01 15.00
4N	QXI International	Y	50 47.27	01 15.90	8S	0.4M SE of 4T Norris		50 45.72	01 14.95
4P	West Ryde Middle	YBY	50 46.48	01 15.79	8T	0.3M SSW of 4Y N.Ryde Middle		50 46.33	01 14.50
4Q	John Fisher*	Y	50 48.46	01 15.72	8U	0.4M SE of 4V Hamble Yacht Servs		50 47.90	01 14.20
4R	Darling Buoy *	Y	50 49.18	01 15.71	8V	0.5M ENE of 4V Hamble Yacht Servs		50 48.28	01 13.98
4S	Royal Southern *	Y	50 48.86	01 15.43	8W	0.5M SE of 4Y N. Ryde Middle		50 46.40	01 13.58
4T	Norris #	R	50 45.97	01 15.51	8X	0.6M SE of 40 Fastnet Insurance		50 47.47	01 12.90
4U	TeamO Marine	Y	50 46.43	01 15.09	8Y	0.6M SE of 44 Royal Yacht Sqn		50 47.00	01 11.30
4V	Hamble Yacht Services	Y	50 48.13	01 14.64					
4W	Goodall Roofing	Y	50 47.33	01 14.59	Mark codes are in order by longitude from west to east, except Zone 2 is split into Mainland, Middle, and Island Side and marks added since 2010 may be at the end of their Zones				
4X	Colette	Y	50 45.53	01 14.39					
4Y	North Ryde Middle	R	50 46.61	01 14.31	#	Only used for passing and keeping boats out of channel, not for ordinary rounding			
4Z	South Ryde Middle	G	50 46.13	01 14.16	@	Sundays: SBSC only			
40	Fastnet Insurance	Y	50 47.66	01 13.65	*	These marks may be in place all year round			
41	East Bramble	BYB	50 47.23	01 13.64					
42	Peel Bank	R	50 45.49	01 13.35					
43	Velociwrap Graphics	Y	50 46.16	01 13.09					
44	Royal Yacht Squadron	Y	50 47.31	01 12.10					
45	South East Ryde Middle	YB	50 45.93	01 12.10					
46	North East Ryde Middle	R	50 46.21	01 11.88					