



NOTICE OF SERIES

Royal Southern Summer Series 2021

8/9 May

May Regatta

12/13 June

Champagne Charlie June Regatta

10/11 July

Salcombe Gin July Regatta

18/19 September

Land Union September Regatta

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The Series will be run in accordance with Government and RYA Guidelines relating to the COVID-19 pandemic applicable at the time of each regatta. Crew restrictions are in place as set out in the SIs and social distancing rules may be in place.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is organised by the Royal Southern Yacht Club and is governed by the rules as defined in the current [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 09 of 2021](#).
- 1.3 [IRC Rules 2021](#) parts A, B and C applies 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." Crew limits may be changed in accordance with the preamble above.
- 1.4 Competitors should note that the Organising Authority (OA) implements the [RYA Racing Charter](#) and they will be expected to sail in compliance with it.
- 1.5 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA.
- 1.6 By taking part in racing, 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 COVID-19 procedures of the Royal Southern Yacht Club (RSrNYC). The most recent RYA guidance can be found at <https://www.rya.org.uk/coronavirus>.
- 1.7 This Notice of Series (NoS) may be changed by amendment or by the Sailing Instructions (SIs). If a conflict arises between the NoS and the SIs, the SIs will take precedence. This amends RRS Rule 63.7.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The SIs will be available by Wednesday 5th May 2021 on the Yachtscoring event page—<https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=14379>.

3 COMMUNICATIONS and SAFETY

- 3.1 The Official Notice Board is located on the respective Yachtscoring event page:

- [May Regatta](#)
- [Champagne Charlie June Regatta](#)
- [July Regatta](#)
- [Land Union September Regatta](#)

- 3.2 All boats shall carry a functioning VHF radio capable of communicating on all the usual UK marine channels, including M1 (37a) and M2.
- 3.3 On the water, courses will be advised by VHF radio. The channels will be stated in the SIs.
- 3.4 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.
- 3.5 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.
- 3.6 Random safety inspections may be carried out to check compliance with this NoR and the SIs. A boat that refuses inspection or fails to give every reasonable assistance to an authorised inspector may be disqualified without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1. The fact that race officials may conduct inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this notice of race.

4 ELIGIBILITY

- 4.1 The regatta is open to the following classes:

Class	Handicap Used	Group
IRC Classes	IRC	Black Group
Performance 40	IRC	Black Group
HP30	IRC	Black Group
Club Class	VPRS Ratings	Black Group
J/70	One Design	White Group
SB20	One Design	White Group
XOD	One Design	White Group

- 4.2 The highest eligible IRC rating is 1.360.
- 4.3 Other classes may be invited to attend, or may request an invitation to attend by email to sailing@royal-southern.co.uk.
- 4.4 The Performance 40 Class will race in IRC 1, and be dual-scored with extracted class results for the September Regatta.

- 4.5 Each Club Class boat shall obtain a VPRS ratings before racing. VPRS ratings are available from www.vprs.org.
- 4.6 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.

5 ENTRY and FEES

- 5.1 Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form and submitting it, together with the required fee, through the [Yachtscoring event page](#).
- 5.2 The Early Entry Deadline is at 23:59 on the 24th April.
- 5.3 The Closing Date for standard entries will be at 23:59 the Wednesday before the first race entered.
- 5.4 Late entries may be accepted after the Closing Date, subject to an increased Late Entry Fee.
- 5.5 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					

6 SCHEDULE of RACES

- 6.1 The Series will consist of four regattas, held on 8-9 May, 12-13 June, 10-11 July and 18-19 September.
- 6.2 Racing for each regatta is scheduled over two days.
- 6.3 The scheduled number of races for each class per regatta are as follows:

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

- 6.4 The first warning signal each day will be at 1025. Subsequent races will start as soon as possible after the end of the previous race. No warning signal will be displayed after 1500 on Sundays, unless as the result of a general recall.

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, and the courses to be sailed by White Group will be windward leeward; or occasionally 'round the cans'.
- 7.4 The marks to be used are as described in the 2021 Royal Southern YC Solent Mark Codes, available from mid-February at www.royal-southern.co.uk/racing, or as described in the SIs.

8 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 8.1 The Sailing Instructions will change RRS 44.1 so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty or an alternative time penalty.
- 8.2 Penalties arising from protests will be at the discretion of the Protest Committee and may be less than DSQ. This changes RRS 64.2.

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 For the September Regatta, 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 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 A boat's overall Summer Series score shall be calculated from the total of all 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 of the Summer Series will use the RSrNYC High Points Scoring System which is available at www.royal-southern.co.uk/racing.

10 RISK STATEMENT

- 10.1 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."
- 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 the 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; and
 - (i) Their boat is adequately insured, with a cover of at least £3 million against third party claims.

11 PRIVACY STATEMENT

- 11.1 The personal information that 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, their national authority and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.

12 RIGHTS TO USE NAMES & LIKENESSES

- 12.1 By taking part in the event, competitors automatically grant to the organising authority and sponsors, without payment, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television of or relating to the event.

13 PRIZES

- 13.1 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.
- 13.2 Prizes for each individual regatta will be awarded that weekend at the end of racing.
- 13.3 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 Saturday 30th October 2021.

14 FURTHER INFORMATION

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

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