

XOD Central Solent Championships July 8th – 9th 2017 The Royal Southern Yacht Club

NOTICE OF RACE



Royal Southern Yacht Club

1 RULES

- **1.1** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- **1.2** RRS 63.7 is changed in that in the event of a conflict between the NOR and the SI's, the SI's shall prevail
- **1.3** Competitors shall comply with the Bye-Laws of Associated British Ports, Southampton. (These can be found here: <u>www.southamptonvts.co.uk</u>)

2 ADVERTISING

2.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- **3.1** The regatta is open to all boats of the XOD class.
- **3.2** Eligible boats may enter by completing an entry available online here: <u>https://royal-southern.co.uk/Afloat/2017-Racing-Events</u>
- **3.3** The Royal Southern Yacht Club can accommodate visiting boats and berthing requirements should be specified when entering.

4 FEES

- **4.1** The entry fee shall be £75 for members of the Royal Southern Yacht Club and £80 for non-members.
- **4.2** Entry shall include dinner and a beer for three people on the Saturday night.
- **4.3** Extra tickets for the dinner can be purchased when entering for

5 SAFETY

- 5.1 All boats shall carry PFD's for each member of their crew, of minimum 50N buoyancy.
- 5.2 All boats shall carry a functioning VHF Radio capable of receiving all the usual marine channels, including M1/37a and M2.
- **5.3** The organising authority recommends that all boats comply with the Royal Southern Yacht Club's Day Boat safety regulations. (These can be found here: http://royal-southern.co.uk/Afloat/Racing#511524-generic-files)

6 SCHEDULE

- **6.1** Racing will be on Saturday 8^{th} and Sunday 9^{th} July.
- 6.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 10:25.
- **6.3** There will be a total of three races per day.

8 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available one week before racing commences, they will be published on the event website.

9 THE COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be announced via radio prior to racing.

10 PENALTY SYSTEM

10.1 The Scoring Penalty, rule 44.3, will apply.

11 SCORING

The scoring system will be the low point scoring system as detailed in appendix A of the Racing Rules of Sailing

12 BERTHING

Berthing is available in the Prince Philip Yacht Haven; berths may be booked by contacting the Royal Southern Yacht Club Sailing Office.

13 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Keelboats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

14 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around keelboats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

15 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

16 PRIZES

Prizes will be presented to the boats that place first, second and third.

17 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

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:

- i. 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;
- ii. They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- iii. They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- iv. Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- v. The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- vi. 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;
- vii. It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules or information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event;
- viii. 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.

18 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with adequate, valid third-party liability insurance.

19 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact: Sailing Office - Royal Southern Yacht Club Rope Walk, Hamble, Hampshire, SO31 4HB Tel: +44(0) 23 8045 0318 Email: sailing.secretary@royal-southern.co.uk Website: <u>www.royal-southern.co.uk</u>