ROYAL SOUTHERN YACHT CLUB

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2018 PASSAGE SERIES

Hamble-Yarmouth 9-10 June 2018
Poole & Back 30 June-1 July 2018
Hamble Scramble 22-23 September 2018

1 RULES

- 1.1 The Passage Series will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of the RYA, the Notice of Series and these Sailing Instructions (SIs). In the case of conflict these SIs will prevail; this changes Rule 63.7.
- 1.2 Boats shall comply with Southampton Harbour Bye-Laws. In particular, attention is drawn to Notice to Mariners No 3 of 2016.

2 SAFETY

- 2.1 No anchor shall be carried forward of the stem or with any part of it outboard, except when anchoring.
- 2.2 Retirement. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee (RC) by VHF radio before leaving the race area, or by notifying the Race Office no later than immediately after arriving ashore.

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS AND CHANGES TO NOTICE OF SERIES OR SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Notices will be posted on the official notice board (ONB) located in the main entrance area of the Club.
- 3.2 Any change to the SIs 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 1900 on the day before it takes effect.
- 3.3 Race information and changes to SIs may be announced by VHF on the water before the warning signal in accordance with RRS 90.2(c).

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be flown at the RSrnYC flagstaff. Should the RC decide to postpone or cancel a race, the appropriate signal will be flown at the RSrnYC 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 The RC will use VHF channel M1 (37A). If transmissions on this channel fail or are blocked, IC flag "R" will be displayed on the committee boat and channel 77 will be used instead.

6 CLASS FLAGS, SCHEDULE, START LOCATIONS

- 6.1 The Class flag for boats sailing in IRC Class is numeral pennant 1. The Class flag for boats sailing in Club Class is numeral pennant 8. Boats need not display the class flag although it is helpful to the RC if they can do so.
- 6.2 Each event comprises two races, an outward race and a return race.
- 6.3 Start times and locations:

Race	Start location near	Warning signal time
Hamble-Yarmouth Saturday 9 June	Royal Thames buoy (code 3S)	1010
Yarmouth-Hamble Sunday 10 June	The English Summer Berry Co (code 24)	1010

Hamble-Poole Saturday 30 June	Royal Thames buoy (code 3S)	1010
Poole-Hamble Sunday 1 July	South Hook cardinal buoy (50 39.70N, 001 55.20W)	0910

Hamble-Yarmouth Saturday 22 Sept.	Royal Thames buoy (code 3S)	1040
Yarmouth-Hamble Sunday 23 Sept.	The English Summer Berry Co (code 24)	0910

7 COURSES AND MARKS

- 7.1 For each day, there are three possible pre-set courses, given in Appendix 2 for both Hamble/Yarmouth events and in Appendix 3 for the Poole & Back race. The courses include marks shown in the Royal Southern YC Solent Marks List 2018 and other marks.
- 7.2 Courses will be advised on the designated VHF radio channel at least 10 minutes before the start of the race and the committee boat will display numeral pennant 1, 2 or 3 to indicate the course to be sailed.
- 7.3 If weather or other circumstances require a change then a different course may be set. This will be announced on VHF radio and numeral pennant 4 will be displayed.

8 THE START

- 8.1 Each race will be started EITHER by a stationary committee boat OR by a Gate Start. If a Gate start is used, International Code "G" will be displayed on the committee boat for at least 10 minutes before the start.
- 8.2 All boats will start at the same time.
- 8.3 The "5-4-1-go" sequence of RRS 26 will be used. To alert boats that the start sequence will begin soon, an orange flag will be displayed with one sound signal five minutes before the Warning signal.

8.4 Stationary Committee Boat Start

- (a) The Starting Line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the main committee boat and the outer distance mark (ODM).
- (b) Subject to (c) below, a boat that does not start within 10 minutes of the starting signal may be scored DNC or DNS.
- (c) If a competing boat is used as the stationary committee boat, she shall start without delay after the other boats and within 30 minutes of the starting signal. She will start by passing within 30 metres of the ODM and her elapsed time for the race will be calculated from the moment she starts.

8.5 **Gate Start**

- (a) The committee boat will display International Code "G" from at least 10 minutes before the start until all competitors have started or 10 minutes after the starting signal whichever is earlier.
- (b) A Pathfinder boat (PF), which may be the committee boat, will beat on port tack from close to the mark designated as ODM in the Course. The Starting Line is between the stern of the PF and the ODM.
- (c) The PF will be released and the Starting Line closed three minutes after the starting signal; or when all other competitors have started; or when she tacks onto starboard; or when the race is abandoned whichever is earliest.
- (d) The PF is granted right of way over all other competing boats, which are required to keep clear of her, from the time of the Preparatory Signal until the PF is released. This changes RRS Part 2 Section A and Section C.

9 THE FINISH

- 9.1 The finishing line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat and the nearby finishing mark. The committee boat will display Royal Southern identification and/or a blue flag.
- 9.2 If a finish boat is not on station, boats shall sail close to the finishing mark and shall record their own finishing times; and if possible also identify the name and sail number of the boats immediately in front and behind. After finishing boats shall provide these details to the RC via VHF radio or by telephone to the race office at RSrnYC.

10 TIME LIMIT

10.1 The time limit applicable to all boats is 1900 on the day of the race. Any boat that does not finish by that time may be scored DNF. This changes RRS 35.

11 PENALTIES

- 11.1 The One-Turn and Two-Turns penalties of RRS 44.1 will not apply. Instead, Scoring Penalties will apply as described in RRS 44.3 except RRS 44.3(c) is changed so that the penalty will be 1% of the boat's elapsed time.
- 11.2 A boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31, but which does not take a penalty in accordance with SI 13.1 or 13.2 above, may take a time penalty as follows:
 - (a) if she informs the RC before the expiry of the protest time limit, her penalty will be 3% of her elapsed time.
 - (b) If she informs the RC later than that but before the start of any hearing concerning the incident, her penalty shall be 5% of her elapsed time.
- 11.3 If a boat caused injury or serious damage or, despite taking a penalty, gains a significant advantage in the race or series by her breach, her penalty shall be to retire.

11.4 A boat shall not be scored as having finished out of time under SI 10 solely by application of a time penalty.

12 PROTESTS AND REQUEST FOR REDRESS

- 12.1 Boats intending to protest or acknowledging an infringement shall report this to the RC as soon as possible after the end of the race in question. This changes RRS 61.1(a).
- 12.2 Protest forms are available from the Sailing Office at the RSrnYC. Protests for the outward or return races of the event must be lodged in writing at the sailing office within 30 minutes of the return of the finishing committee boat to the Prince Philip Yacht Haven, or within 60 minutes of the last boat to finish if there is no finishing committee boat. The protest time limit will be posted on the ONB.
- 12.3 Notice of protests by the Race Committee or the Protest Committee (PC) will be posted on the ONB. This changes RRS 61.1(b).
- 12.4 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.
- 12.5 Protests may be heard at the RSrnYC as soon as possible after racing on the day of the incident.
- 12.6 A request for reopening a hearing, or a request arising from a PC decision, shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision. This changes RRS 62.2 and 66.
- 12.7 Penalties arising from hearings are at the PC's discretion and may be less than DSQ, may affect any number of races, or may be non-discardable. If the PC considers that points for retiring from a race make an insufficient penalty in the circumstances, it may impose a higher penalty. This changes RRS 64.1.

13 SCORING

- 13.1 RRS Appendix A will apply with the following changes:
- 13.2 A boat entering any of the three events listed at the head of these SIs or the Deauville Race will receive a Series score which will be the sum of the scores for the six races comprising the three listed events plus the score for the Deauville Race. If the boat has sailed in more than one class it shall receive separate scores for each class.
- 13.3 Appendix A4.2 is changed in that any boat not competing in a race will score 36 points or one point more than the number of boats competing, whichever is greater.
- 13.4 A boat's Series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score

14 PRIZES

- 14.1 Prizes will be awarded to each class for each event on Sunday as soon as convenient after racing and any relevant protests. The number of prizes shall depend on the number of entries in each class. A 1st prize will be awarded if there are at least 3 entries in the class; a 2nd prize will be awarded if there are at least 5 entries in the class; a 3rd prize will be awarded if there are at least 7 entries in the class.
- 14.2 The Series Prize and trophies will be presented at the prize giving dinner on Saturday 10th November 2018, attendance at which is by invitation.

17 RISK STATEMENT

17.1 Attention is drawn to the Risk Statement and Insurance requirements set out in the Notice of Series paragraph 7 and the undertaking by the competitors in the Entry Form to accept the Notice of Series and comply with its provisions.

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Note: Berthing has been arranged in the Yachthaven in LYMINGTON for Saturday 9th June.

APPENDIX 1

Royal Southern Solent Mark Codes 2018 – separate file

APPENDIX 2 and APPENDIX 3 (Pre-Set Courses) – see following pages.

APPENDIX 2

Courses for Hamble-Yarmouth and Hamble Scramble Events

Hamble – Yarmouth. Saturdays 9 June and 22 September					
Satu	Saturday Course 1				
3S	Royal Thames	ODM			
3P	Cowes Yacht Haven	Starboard			
3A	West Lepe	Port			
3L	Gurnard Ledge	Starboard			
3F	Elephant Boatyard	Starboard			
2J	Zwerver	Port			
26	Hamstead Ledge	Starboard			
2F	Berthon	Port			
22	Charles Stanley Wealth Managers	Finish			
Dista	Distance about 16.5 miles				

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Satu	Saturday Course 2			
3S	Royal Thames	ODM		
3E	Dick Johnson	Starboard		
3F	Elephant Boatyard	Starboard		
2R	Powder Byrne	Port		
3B	Newtown East	Starboard		
2J	Zwerver	Port		
22	Charles Stanley Wealth Managers	Finish		
Distance about 13.6 miles				

Satu	Saturday Course 3				
3S	Royal Thames	ODM			
3P	Cowes Yacht Haven	Starboard			
3E	Dick Johnson	Port			
3F	Elephant Boatyard	Starboard			
2R	Powder Byrne	Port			
26	Hamstead Ledge	Starboard			
2H	"H"	Port			
22	Charles Stanley Wealth Managers	Finish			
Distance about 12.4 miles					

Saturday Course4

A special course advised by VHF radio (SI 7.3).

Yarmouth - Hamble. Sundays 10 June and 23 September			
Sund	Sunday Course 1		
24	The English Summer Berry Co	ODM	
2F	Berthon	Starboard	
3B	Newtown East	Port	
2R	Powder Byrne Starboard		
3F	Elephant Boatyard Port		
3G	Sevenstar Yacht Transport	Starboard	
4K	Royal London	Port	
4W	Goodall Roofing	Port	
4B	Coronation Finish		
Distance about 19.0 miles			

Sund	Sunday Course 2				
24	The English Summer Berry Co	ODM			
2H	"H"	Starboard			
3B	Newtown East	Port			
3E	Dick Johnson	Starboard			
3P	Cowes Yacht Haven	Port			
3N	Quinnell	Starboard			
4B	Coronation	Finish			
Distance about 12.3 miles					

Sund	Sunday Course 3					
24	The English Summer Berry Co	ODM				
26	Hamstead Ledge	Port				
2R	Powder Byrne	Starboard				
3C	Craftinsure.com	Port				
3S	Royal Thames	Finish				
Distance about 8.9 miles						

Sunday Course4

A special course advised by VHF radio (SI 7.3).

APPENDIX 3

Courses for Poole & Back

Hamble – Poole. Saturday 30 June						
Saturday Course 1		Satu	Saturday Course 2			
3S	Royal Thames	ODM	3S	Royal Thames	ODM	
-	South Hook cardinal buoy	Finish	1K	North Head	Port	
	(50 39.70N, 001 55.20W)		-	South Hook cardinal buoy	Finish	
				(50 39.70N, 001 55.20W)		
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Satu	Saturday Course 3			
3S	Royal Thames	ODM		
2F	Berthon	Starboard		
2C	Colten	Port		
1K	North Head	Port		
-	South Hook cardinal buoy	Finish		
	(50 39.70N, 001 55.20W)			
Distance about 25.2miles				

A special course advised by VHF radio (SI 7.3).

Poole - Hamble. Sunday 1 July						
Sunday Course 2 Sunday Course 2						
-	South Hook cardinal buoy	ODM	_	South Hook cardinal buoy	ODM	
3S	Royal Thames	Finish	1K	North Head	Starboard	
			3S	Royal Thames	Finish	
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DIST	ance about 24.7 miles		DIST	tance about 24.9 miles		

Sunday Course 3		
-	South Hook cardinal buoy	ODM
1K	North Head	Starboard
2B	Dunford	Starboard
2R	Powder Byrne	Starboard
3E	Dick Johnson	Port
3G	Sevenstar Yacht Transport	Starboard
3S	Royal Thames	Finish
Distance about 25.4 miles		

A special course advised by VHF radio (SI 7.3).

The additional marks in Course 3 on each day are provided mainly to give course shortening opportunities in case of need.