



Classic Channel Regatta



Dartmouth - Paimpol

Saturday 9th July - 16th July 2022

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

General

To be read in Conjunction with the specific SI's for each individual race

Channel 72 (Alternative Ch M2, if needed) shall be monitored whilst afloat. Failure to to receive any information broadcast will not be grounds for redress.

1. RULES

- 1.1. All Races in this regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024, and the prescriptions of the RYA.
- 1.2. JCH classic handicap system will be used for all classes. All boats must comply with the 2021 JCH rules and have their certificates re-validated.
- 1.3. Anchors may not protrude beyond the bow.
- 1.4. If there is conflict between the NOR and these SIs, these SIs take precedence.
- 1.5. RRS 44.1 is changed to a one-turn penalty.

2. SCORING

- 2.1. The Low Point scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply for each group with the exception that the following weighting will be used for the overall results and the Dubarry Trophy for the overall winner of the Regatta:
Each race of the Dartmouth Classics : 0.5, The Coastal Race 1.0, The Channel Race : 2, The Round Bréhat Race : 1.0,
- 2.2. A boat that did not start, did not finish, retired after finishing or was disqualified shall score penalty points for that race equal to the total number of Yachts entered in the corresponding group for the regatta. This modifies Rule A4.2.

- 2.3. For the Dartmouth Classics the results of Day 1 and Day 2 series shall be combined.
- 2.4. Trophies for the overall class results for the Classic Channel Regatta will be awarded on the basis of total points scored in individual races.
- 2.5. The Dubarry Trophy will be awarded to the overall winner of the regatta, irrespective of the Group. For this trophy, a boat that did not start, did not finish, retired after finishing or was disqualified shall score penalty points for that race equal to the total number of Yachts entered in the regatta.
- 2.6. Class 4 will sail with Group 3 or Group 4 (depending on JCH rating) with an additional 10% added to their JCH handicap and will not be eligible for Dubarry Trophy.
- 2.7. The distribution of Yachts into Groups depends on their JCH time correction factor (tcf). A list of the Yachts and their groups will be displayed on the Notice Board of RDYC by 19:00 on the day before the first scheduled race and will also be displayed on the web site.

3. GROUP FLAGS

- 3.1. Depending on CCR Classification and JCH handicap, boats will be divided into Groups as advised on registration. Depending on numbers registered, Groups may be amalgamated.
- 3.2. All yachts shall display their group flag on the backstay at least 1.5m above deck. If no backstay is carried the flag shall be displayed clearly on the after part of the boat.

Group A	Pennant 9
Group B	Pennant 8
Group C	Pennant 7
Group D	Pennant 6

4. Radio Communication.

- 4.1. All yachts must have a working VHF Radio with transmitter power of 25 watts and capable of working on Channels 16 and 72. Yachts shall keep a listening watch on Channel 72 at all times. Yacht shall neither make radio transmissions nor receive radio transmissions not available to all yachts. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
- 4.2. The call sign of the committee vessel will be "Channel Regatta Race Officer". Yachts may communicate with "Channel Regatta Race Officer" only on Channel 72 and only for the following reasons:
 - Emergency communications
 - Requests for assistance
 - Communication of retirement (see below)
 - Communication of intention to protest (see 22.5 below)

- 4.3. Any Yachts retiring from a race are requested to notify “Channel Regatta Race Officer” on Channel 72.
- 4.4. Yachts intending to lodge a protest are required to notify “Channel Regatta Race Officer” on Channel 72.
- 4.5. Yachts must avoid transmitting during the starting procedure. Yachts complying with this requirement must still satisfy all the requirements of the normal protest procedure as described in paragraph 19 of these Sailing Instructions.

5. AIS and Safety.

- 5.1. AIS transponders shall not be switched off throughout the Classic Channel Race.
- 5.2. The Casquets Traffic Separation Zone shall be treated as an obstruction and not entered. Failure to do so shall incur a penalty of 2 hours added to the boats elapsed time.
- 5.3. The Wind Farm approx 15 nm to the East of Paimpol in the Bay of St Brieuc is to be considered an obstruction and any competitor entering the zone of operation shall be disqualified.
- 5.4. Rocks and dangers abound in the areas that form part of the courses, and boats should ensure that due navigational diligence is kept.

6. OFFICIAL TIME

- 6.1. The Dartmouth Classics: British Summer Time (BST) = UT + 1 hour.
- 6.2. The Classic Channel Race: British Summer Time (BST) = UT + 1 hour.
- 6.3. The Round Bréhat Race: French Summer Time = UT + 2 hour.

7. THE START (RRS RULE 26)

- 7.1. If the initial preparatory signal is a “Z” flag in accordance with RRS Rule 30.2, there will be no individual recalls and Yachts that are judged to be OCS under the “Z” flag will have a 20 minute penalty. Deliberate early starting to gain an advantage (as judged by the race committee) will also get the 20% scoring penalty. This is non-protestable and changes RRS Rule 29.1 and RRS 30.2.
- 7.2. All Yachts shall pass close to the Committee Boat for identification prior to the initialisation of any start procedure. Any Yacht not displaying her sail number correctly (see Notice of Race) shall be scored as “DNS” regardless of whether her name is identifiable.
- 7.3. Yachts whose warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the Start Line and of all Yachts whose warning signal has been made.
- 7.4. The Start Line for each course is defined in the relevant section of these Sailing Instructions.

8. GENERAL RECALL (RRS RULE 29.2)

- 8.1. In the event of a General Recall a broadcast message may be transmitted on VHF Ch 72. Failure to transmit or receive any such transmission shall not constitute grounds for redress.
- 8.2. The Group or Groups recalled will start at approximate 5 minute intervals after the last programmed start in the same order as that in which the General Recalls occurred.
- 8.3. A Yacht that has retired shall report her retirement as soon as possible and in any event within the protest time limit. Yachts that fail to do so will be scored DNE (Disqualification Not Excludable) unless the Race Committee accepts a satisfactory explanation of the delay.
- 8.4. Retirements may be reported by hail or by VHF Ch 72 (Call Sign Channel Regatta Race Officer) to the Committee Boat, or by telephone to the relevant Race Headquarters. Competitors' attention is drawn to the importance of notifying a retirement in the passage races as soon as possible so that the boat's safety, location and intentions are made known to the organisers.
- 8.5. The scoring or exoneration penalty of RRS 44.3 will be available and the penalty shall be 20%.