



THE VICE ADMIRALS CUP 2017

19TH – 21ST MAY 2017

NOTICE OF RACE

ORGANISING AUTHORITY: ROYAL OCEAN RACING CLUB

The notation '(DP)' in a rule in the NOR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing. (RRS) 2017 - 2020
- 1.2 National Authority Prescriptions; the Prescriptions of the RYA will apply. (<http://www.rya.org.uk/racing/racingrules/pages/the-rules.aspx>)
- 1.3 Class Rules; the rules and regulations of appropriate one design and/or class rules and IRC Rules parts A, B and C will apply. (DP)
- 1.4 Where Class Rules do not specify mandatory safety equipment, 2016 – 2017 World Sailing Inshore regulations; Appendix B inshore racing will apply. All competitors are required to have a working VHF. (DP)

2 ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Advertising is permitted in accordance with class rules and World Sailing Regulation 20. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and/or supplied by the organising authority. (DP)

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to the following classes

Class	Rating
Fast 40+	Class Rule
HP30+	IRC
J/111	One Design
J/109	One Design
Impala	One Design
Quarter Ton	IRC
Diam24 OD	One Design
J/80	One Design
SB20	One Design

- 3.2 Eligible boats should enter using the RORC online entry system (Sailgate) <https://rorc.sailgate.com>
- 3.3 A minimum of six boats in any class are required for a class prize.

4 FEES

4.1 Entry fees are as follows – shown in Sterling

Class	Members	Non Members
Fast 40+	298	411
HP30+	164	235
J/111	229	327
J/109	189	270
Impala	111	158
Quarter Ton	111	158
Diam24 OD	111	158
J/80	111	158
SB20	111	158

4.2 When entries or entry fees are received after Friday 12th May 2017 they may be accepted at the sole discretion of the Royal Ocean Racing Club and will be subject to an additional fee of half of the standard entry fee.

5 SCHEDULE

5.1 The Proposed schedule is as follows:

Date	Time	Event	HW Portsmouth
Friday 19 th May	1125	First warning signal	0544 4.0m
Saturday 20 th May	1025	First warning signal	0653 4.0m
Sunday 21 st May	1025	First warning signal	0807 3.9m

5.2 The event will consist of up to eight races for each class.

5.3 The race committee may start Classes together. Further details will be available in the Sailing Instructions.

5.3 On Sunday 21st May 2017 no warning signal will be made after 1430hrs.

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

6.1 The Sailing Instructions will be emailed to each competitor on or after the 12th May 2017.

7 COURSES

7.1 Racing will take place in the Solent, in two separate groups using a variety of windward/leeward and /or round the buoys courses.

8 PENALTIES

8.1 For all classes the Sailing Instructions will state that RRS 44.1 is changed so that the two-turn penalty is replaced by a one-turn penalty.

8.2 For the Fast 40+ class:

8.2.1 In addition to RRS 44.1 the Sailing Instructions shall state: A boat may delay taking a penalty whilst a spinnaker is hoisted. No part of a penalty may be taken inside the zone of a rounding mark that begins, bounds or ends the leg that the boat is on when the infringement occurred.

8.2.2 Judges may be afloat and be available to indicate infringements, The Sailing Instructions will have further details.

9 SCORING

9.1 Three races shall be completed to constitute a series.

9.2 When fewer than five races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race scores.

9.3 When six or more races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

10 HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 10.1 Boats shall be afloat by 08:30 on Friday 19th May 2017 and not hauled out during the event except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee. (DP)

11 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 11.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. (DP)

12 PRIZES

- 12.1 The prize giving will be held as soon as possible in the RORC Clubhouse Cowes, after racing and any subsequent protests on Sunday 21st May 2017.

13 RISK STATEMENT

- 13.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk, the attention of Persons in Charge is drawn to fundamental rule 4 'the responsibility for a boats decision to participate in a race or continue racing is hers alone'
- 13.2 Sailing is by 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 omission.
 - 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 and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.
 - f) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or event drawn to their attention in any rules or information produced for the venue or event, and to attend any safety briefing held for this event.

14 INSURANCE

- 14.1 All competitors shall be adequately and suitably insured before racing.

15 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 15.1 For further information, please contact:
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