



The VICE ADMIRAL'S CUP 2012

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Friday 18th to Sunday 20th May

HW Portsmouth: Fri 18 May - 1039, Sat 19 May - 1118, Sun 20 May - 1154

Organising Authority

Royal Corinthian Yacht Club (RCYC), Cowes

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. **Rules**

The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

2. **Notices to Competitors**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board (ONB) located at the RCYC.

3. **Changes to the Sailing Instructions**

Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be announced on VHF (see 7.2) before the warning signal in accordance with RRS 90.2(c).

4. **Signals Made Ashore**

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the RCYC flagstaff.

4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes'. This changes race signal AP.

5. **Schedule of Races**

5.1 A maximum of 12 races are scheduled* and it is intended to run three races on Friday and Saturday and two races on Sunday.

5.2

| Day | 1st Warning Signal of the 1st Sequence |
|-------------------------------|--|
| Friday 18 th May | 1125 |
| Saturday 19 th May | 1025 |
| Sunday 20 th May | 1025 |

5.3 The warning signal for subsequent races each day will be made as soon as possible after the finish of the previous race.

5.4 On Sunday 20th May the warning signal for the first race of a sequence will not be later than 1400 except after a General Recall or a postponement during the start sequence.

6. **Class Flags**

Boats shall display the class flag on their backstay.

| Class | Type | Class Flag |
|-------|------------------------------------|------------|
| 0 | Commodore's Cup GBR Inshore Trials | NP0 |
| 1 | 44 - 46 ft Class | NP1 |
| 2 | J/111 | NP2 |
| 3 | J/109 | NP3 |

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| 4 | Quarter Tonners | NP4 |
| 5 | Laser SB3s | NP5 |

7. Racing Area

- 7.1 The racing area will be the Central Solent. Classes 0 and 1 may extend beyond the Central Solent.
7.2 The call signs and VHF Channels of the two committee boats (CB) will be as follows:

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| Class 0, 1 & 2 | 'Royal Corinthian Twin Wakes' | VHF Channel 72 |
| Class 3, 4 & 5 | 'Royal Corinthian Rosanne' | VHF Channel 77 |

- 7.3 The position of the two Committee Boats (CB) may be announced on the VHF channel indicated above from around 1000 on the first day and 0900 on subsequent days.

8. Courses

- 8.1 Courses will be announced on VHF immediately after the Attention Signal (11.1) and may be repeated immediately after the Preparatory Signal. For Classes 0, 1 & 2 courses may also be displayed on the CB.
8.2 Courses using laid marks are described in Appendix 1 for Classes 0, 1 & 2.
8.3 Courses using fixed racing/navigation marks or a combination with laid marks will use the Two Digit Course Marks from the attached mark list to represent the mark, or the name of the mark.

9. Marks

Unless announced on VHF to the contrary:

Class 0, 1 & 2 laid marks will be orange inflated, labelled 'RCYC'. The outer distance mark (ODM) will be black.

Class 3, 4 & 5 laid marks will be orange or black inflated. The colour of which will be advised when the courses are announced.

10. Areas that are Obstructions

- 10.1 Boats shall comply with Associated British Ports Notice to Mariners No 3 of 2011 - The Moving Prohibited Zone in the Precautionary area, which shall rank as an obstruction for the purposes of RRS 19 and 20. Boats shall avoid close quarters with any commercial vessel.
10.2 Boats, in whatever direction they are racing, shall not pass:
(i) North of the barrier off Durns Point, east of Lymington and (ii) North of Horse Sand Fort.
10.3 Boats shall not anchor or kedge within the area between Stone Point and Gurnard Bay as indicated on the racing chart in these sailing instructions and on Admiralty Chart 2040.

11. Start

- 11.1 To alert boats that a race or a sequence of races will begin soon, an orange flag will be displayed with one sound 5 minutes before the first warning signal of a sequence. Classes will start as signalled.
11.2 Subsequent races may not be started in the same class order as the previous race.
11.3 The starting line is between a staff bearing the orange flag on the CB and an outer distance mark (ODM).
11.4 Individual recalls may be broadcast on VHF. Delay or failure to broadcast or receive a recalled sail number shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a). A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS. This changes RRS A5.

12. Change of Course after the Start

Adding to RRS 33, the race committee may display (or broadcast on VHF) the course to be sailed in accordance with SI 8 for the remainder of the race. The position of a laid inflated mark(s) may be adjusted by up to approximately +/- 10 degrees relative to the previous laid mark(s) and up to approximately 500 metres to windward or leeward without the signalling of Flag C. This changes RRS 33.

13. **Finish**
Unless shortened, the finish line is between an orange flag on the CB and the ODM of the Finish Line or the last mark of the course.
14. **Penalties at the Time of an Incident**
In RRS 44.1 delete, "A boat may take a Two-Turns Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while *racing*" and replace with "A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while *racing*". This changes RRS 44.1.
15. **Time Limit**
The time limit for each race shall be 20 minutes (corrected) after the first boat in her class has finished. Boats not finishing within the time limit will be scored DNF. This changes RRS 35 and A5.
16. **Protests and Requests for Redress**
Protests shall be on forms available from the RCYC and delivered to the race committee within 2 hours of the time of the protesting boat's last finish of the day. Boats intending to lodge a protest shall notify the race committee directly or by VHF at the end of the race concerned.
17. **Scoring**
If 6 or more races are sailed, 1 discard will apply. Three races are required to constitute a valid series.
18. **Haul out restrictions**
Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.
19. **Prizes**
All prizes including the individual Day Prizes will be awarded at the Vice Admiral's Cup Prizegiving on Sunday 20th May after racing.

All participants in the Vice Admiral's Cup 2012 are invited by the Flag Officers to be Temporary Members of the Royal Corinthian Yacht Club for the duration of the Regatta.

- * **Note for Competitors**
The intention is to have 8 races. However, we have written into the Sailing Instructions that we may run up to 12 races to cover the scenario whereby the forecast for day 3 would lead us to believe that sailing was improbable - we would run 8 races in the first 2 days. If on the 3rd day the weather was suitable this would allow us to run more races.

- * **Social Events**
The Club is putting on a two course steak barbeque for a cost of £15 a head on Friday 18th May from 7.00 - 9.00pm. Crews are asked to help with the organization by ordering and pay for your tickets in advance.



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