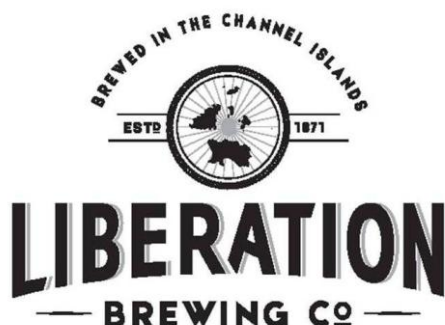




ROYAL CHANNEL ISLANDS YACHT CLUB



BEER RACE SERIES 2024

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 1 **RULES** - The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), the Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions.
- 2 **CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** - Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board (ONB), www.rciyc.je/racing, before 1200 hours on the day it will take effect except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 hours on the day before it will take effect.
- 3 **COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS**
 - 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the ONB;
 - 3.2 The race office is located at the RCIYC, tel. 745783, e-mail: office@rciyc.je;
 - 3.3 On the water, the race committee will monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF Channel 8;
 - 3.4 The course, a verbal countdown and any other relevant message may be broadcast by the race committee on channel 8. Non-reception of any such message by any boat shall not provide grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1;
 - 3.5 While racing, 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.
- 4 **SIGNALS MADE ASHORE** - Signals made ashore will be displayed at the RCIYC and may be repeated at St Helier YC.
- 5 **SCHEDULE OF RACES**
 - 5.1

Race	Date	HW	Ht (m)	Warning Signal (Classes 0, 1, 2 & QT)
1.	Thursday 25 th April	2023	10.52	1855
2.	Wednesday 8 th May	1939	11.26	1855
3.	Friday 24 th May	1957	10.38	1855
4.	Friday 7 th June	1959	10.62	1855
5.	Friday 21 st June	1857	10.02	1840
6.	Monday 22 nd July	2016	10.90	1855
7.	Monday 5 th August	2014	10.42	1855
8.	Tuesday 20 th August	2003	11.48	1855

5.2 The Warning Signal for Classes 3a and 3b will follow no earlier than 5 (five) minutes after the start of a race for Classes 0, 1, 2 & QT.

6 CLASS FLAG

6.1 - The Class Flag for Classes 0, 1, 2 & QT will be code flag K (Kilo);

6.2 - The Class Flag for Classes 3a and 3b will be code flag B (Bravo).

7 **RACING AREA** - The racing area will be within St Aubin's Bay (see Appendix 2).

8 COURSES

8.1 The course to be sailed will be indicated by a number displayed on a board attached to the race committee boat (See Appendix 1);

8.2 **The race committee boat will display code flag 'W' when a windward mark has been laid. Boats shall leave the mark to port before sailing to the first mark of the course indicated in Appendix 1. The mark will be an orange pyramid buoy;**

8.3 Courses will not be shortened.

9 **MARKS** - The marks to be passed or rounded will be as indicated on the combined clubs' St Aubin's Bay Course Card (See Appendix 1).

10 THE START

10.1 Races will be started using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal;

10.3 The starting marks will be the race committee boat stationed at one end of the line with the Vrachière race mark as the outer distance mark (ODM). The starting line will be between a pole displaying an orange flag on the race committee boat and the ODM;

10.4 A boat that does not start within the five minute period following its starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

11 THE FINISH

11.1 The finishing line will be an imaginary line extending **approximately 100 metres** from the northern extremity of St Aubin's Fort jetty towards the eastern extremity of the south arm of St Aubin's Harbour;

11.2 The race committee will, normally, be present to record finishing times but **boats are to record their finishing times** and, where possible, the names of the boats ahead and astern.

12 **TIME LIMIT** - The Finishing Window (FW) will be 1 hour after the first boat in the relevant class has finished the race. Boats failing to finish within the FW, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35.

13 HEARING REQUESTS

13.1 For each class the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat in the relevant class has finished the race. The same protest time limit applies to all protests by the race committee, protest committee and to requests for redress. This changes RRS 61.3 and 62.2;

13.2 Notices of protests by the race committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b);

13.3 Hearing request forms are available on www.rciyc.je/racing and in hard copy in the RCIYC;

13.4 Notices will be posted within 60 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held as soon as possible in the RCIYC.

14 SCORING

14.1 When fewer than seven races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of its race scores;

14.2 When seven races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of its race scores excluding its worst score;

14.3 When eight races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of its race scores excluding its two worst scores;

- 15 SAFETY REGULATIONS** - A boat that retires from a race shall endeavour to notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity (VHF Channel 8 or phone 741023).
- 16 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS** - A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions.
- 17 OFFICIAL VESSELS** - The race committee boat will display an orange flag once it is on station for the start.
- 18 PRIZES**
- 18.1 Prizes for the winning boat in each class will be presented in the Clubhouse after each race. First place prizes and any special prizes, only, will be awarded;
- 18.2 In the event of a single entry in Class 0, the boat will race with Class 1 and its result will be combined with those of boats in Class 1 for it to be eligible for a Class 0 trophy/prize if it achieves a first place as if it was a Class 1 boat. Trophies and prizes for Class 1 will remain unaffected;
- 18.3 Prizes not collected on the day of a race will be available for collection from the Clubhouse for a period of two weeks thereafter;
- 18.4 Trophies for the overall class winners will be presented at the next RCIYC Annual Dinner & Prize-giving (date and venue to be advised).
- 19 RISK STATEMENT** - RRS3 of the *Racing Rules of Sailing* states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue 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:
- 19.1 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;
- 19.2 They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- 19.3 They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- 19.4 Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- 19.5 It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event. Specifically, by participating in any race, persons-in-charge agree that they and all persons on board their boat will comply with current governmental guidelines/rules relating to COVID-19);
- 19.6 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.
- 20 INSURANCE** - Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance, to include racing, with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 (three million pounds) per incident.

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ST AUBIN'S BAY COURSES (Appendix 1)

Course 1	Start Beach Rock buoy to port St Aubin's Race Mark to starboard Finish
Course 2	Start Beach Rock Buoy to port St Aubin's Race Mark to port Beach Rock Buoy to port Finish
Course 3	Start Beach Rock Buoy to port St Aubin's Race Mark to port Vrachière Buoy to port Beach Rock Buoy to port Finish
Course 4	Start St Aubin's Race Mark to port Vrachière Buoy to port Beach Rock Buoy to port St Aubin's Race Mark to starboard Finish
Course 5	Start St Aubin's Race Mark to port Baleine Buoy to port Vrachière Buoy to port Beach Rock Buoy to port St Aubin's Race Mark to starboard Finish
Course 6	Start Baleine Buoy to port Vrachière Buoy to port Beach Rock Buoy to port St Aubin's Race Mark to starboard Finish
Course 7	Start St Aubin's Race Mark to port Diamond Rock Buoy to port Baleine Buoy to port Beach Rock buoy to port St Aubin's Race Mark to starboard Finish
Course 8	Start Diamond Rock Buoy to port Vrachière Buoy to port Beach Rock Buoy to port St Aubin's Race Mark to starboard Finish
Course 9	Start West Mark to port Diamond Rock Buoy to port Vrachière Buoy to port Beach Rock Buoy to port St Aubin's Race Mark to starboard Finish

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ST AUBIN'S BAY - RACE MARKS (Appendix 2)

