



# Round the Island Race

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Saturday 3rd July 2021

# Sailing Instructions



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## Thank you for entering the Round the Island Race 2021



It feels wonderful to be finally welcoming you all to another Round the Island Race at last. It seems especially fitting that it is also a celebration of 90 years of the Island Sailing Club running this great event which has become such a fixture for so many of you in your season's sailing calendar.

Many of you have already ordered the commemorative tankards but if you haven't already done so, there is still time. Just go to [rtir.me/tankards](https://rtir.me/tankards) to download the form and then return it to [rir@islandsc.org.uk](mailto:rir@islandsc.org.uk)

Obviously we are sad that the ongoing COVID-19 restrictions mean we cannot host competitors in the Clubhouse in quite the same way as usual over the weekend, but, in line with hospitality guidelines, we will be operating table service (maximum of six per table) in the Restaurant and Bar areas throughout the day and evenings over the race weekend. Larger groups can be accommodated in our outdoor areas and if you telephone David Flanders on 01983 249433 he will help you to arrange this.

The Weather Briefing will be put on line on our website at 1800 hours on the evening of Friday 2nd July so you will all have access to Chris Tibbs's view of the forecast and his tips on the wind and tidal advantages as you go round the Island the following day.

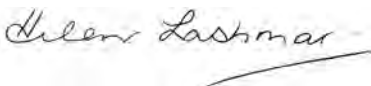
We know that for many of you this will be the first time you have entered the race so please make sure that you read the Sailing Instructions and the Safety Booklet carefully. Likewise, for those who may be unused to regular racing, the Layman's Guide to the Racing Rules is essential reading before you take part in the race.

Apart from the handing over of the two major trophies in the race, the Gold and Silver Gilt Roman Bowls to the winners on Sunday 4th July, all other prizes detailed in Table 2 of the Sailing Instructions will be presented at the end of Cowes Week on Saturday 7th August, when we hope that socialising restrictions will be much improved.

We have been extremely fortunate that so many of our usual volunteers who make the race such a success each year are prepared to undertake their roles on their respective teams. We will be operating under the current COVID-19 guidelines for both indoor and outdoor spaces and ask that if you need to come into face to face contact with any of them that you respect the guidelines in a similar fashion.

Finally, I thank you for your support in these difficult times and wish you a safe and enjoyable 90th Anniversary race around our lovely Isle of Wight.

Yours sincerely,



Helen Lashmar

Commodore, Island Sailing Club





## NOTICES

### 1 Club Pontoon Restriction

For safety reasons, competitors may not use the club pontoon on the day of the race for mooring or to embark/disembark personnel. The club pontoon will be reserved exclusively for club launches and authorised support vessels.

### 2 Ambulance Casualties

Non-urgent ambulance casualties should be landed at Trinity Landing, off The Parade, unless otherwise directed. Call the Coastguard on VHF Channel 16 to report intentions and arrange for an ambulance, and inform the Island Sailing Club on VHF Channel 22 or telephone 01983 296621.

### 3 Radio Press to Transmit Switch

After making a call on the race VHF radio Channel 22, competitors should ensure that the press to transmit switch has been released.

### 4 Protest Moorings

Boats under 12m (40ft) LOA which are the subject of a protest, and which are not intending to enter Cowes Harbour, may temporarily tie up on the eastern side of the centre pontoon (B1, 2 and 3) in the Royal Yacht Squadron yacht haven.

## NAVIGATION AND SEAMANSHIP

### 5 International Regulations and Byelaws

Attention is drawn to the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea and to the byelaws and Local Notices to Mariners (LNTM) issued by Associated British Ports Southampton, Queen's Harbour Master, Portsmouth and Cowes Harbour Master, Cowes which can be found on the Island Sailing Club website at [www.islandsc.org.uk/racingdocuments.aspx](http://www.islandsc.org.uk/racingdocuments.aspx). These apply at all times of the day and night and shall govern the behaviour of all competitors with respect to other pleasure craft and all commercial vessels.

### 6 Area of Concern

The following is an extract from ABP Southampton Harbour Byelaws 2003:

11.(1) In this byelaw –“the Precautionary Area” means the main navigable channel which lies between an imaginary line drawn between Prince Consort and South Bramble buoys and an imaginary line drawn between Black Jack and Hook Buoys;

“Moving Prohibited Zone” means an area extending 1000 metres ahead and 100 metres either side of any vessel of over 150 metres length overall while it is navigating within the Precautionary Area

(2) The master of a small vessel shall ensure that the vessel does not enter a Moving Prohibited Zone.

(3) For the purpose of indicating the presence of the Moving Prohibited Zone, the master of any vessel of over 150 metres length overall shall display on the vessel, where it can best be seen, by day, a black cylinder, and, by night, 3 all round red lights in a vertical line.

### 7 Restricted Anchoring

Boats are warned not to anchor or kedge in the area marked on charts by lines from Egypt Point to Stansore Point and from Thorness Bay to Inchmery House, where there are high-tension cables and gas pipes on the sea bed.

### 8 NEEDLES HAZARDS WARNING

COMPETITORS SHOULD MAKE THEMSELVES AWARE OF THE POSITION OF THE SHALLOW ROCK LEDGE WHICH EXTENDS APPROXIMATELY 250 METRES WSW OF THE NEEDLES LIGHTHOUSE AND OF THE DANGEROUS WRECK WHICH LIES SCATTERED OVER THE LEDGE. ANOTHER HAZARD, GOOSE ROCK, LIES 75 METRES TO THE WNW OF THE LIGHTHOUSE. COMPETITORS ARE ADVISED TO NAVIGATE WELL CLEAR OF THESE DANGERS.

### 9 Area of Particular Care - THE FORTS

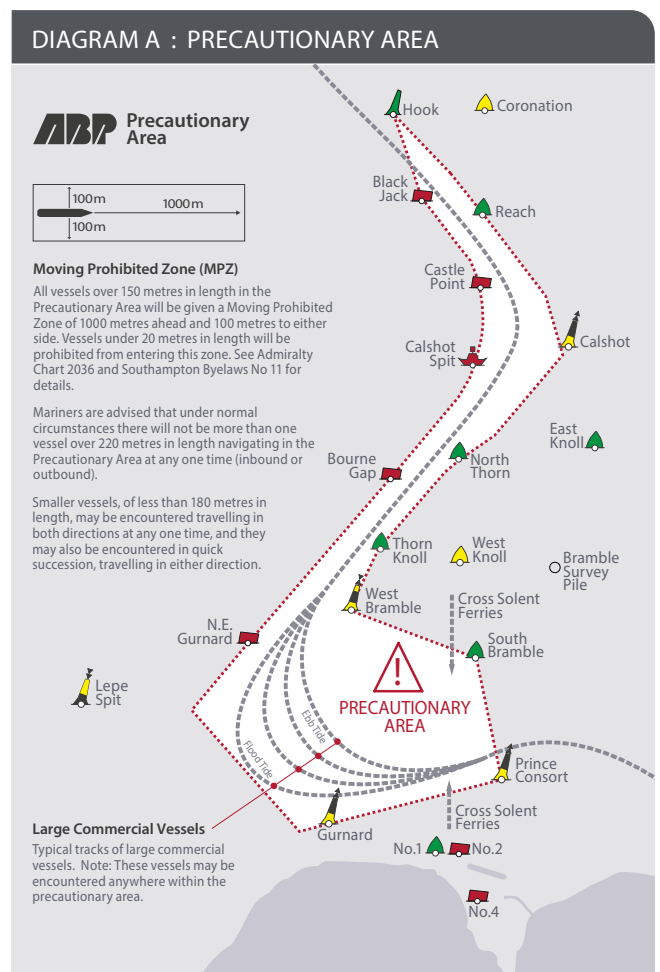
Competitors are referred to the notes in the Safety Booklet about passing No Man's Land Fort and of the extensive wind shadow in its lee.

### 10 Avoid Fishing Gear

Competitors are reminded of their individual responsibility to avoid damage to fishing gear and should keep a special look out for markers of such gear.

### 11 Dive Sites

Competitors should be aware of a number of Dive Sites in the Western Solent, which are marked with small yellow buoys. See the Safety Booklet for further information.



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## 1 RULES

- 1.1 Racing will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) with Royal Yachting Association (RYA) Prescriptions, together with, as appropriate: the World Sailing (ISAF) Offshore Special Regulations for Category 4 (modified), the IRC Rules Parts A, B & C (including sail limitations, but excluding rule 22.4 except for boats rated as one designs), the MOCRA Rating Rule, the Island Sailing Club Rating System (ISCRS), the Class Rules for boats entered in a one design class, the Notice of Race (NoR) and these Sailing Instructions (SIs).
- 1.2 Where there is conflict between a rule in the Notice of Race and one in the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions will prevail. This changes RRS 63.7.
- 1.3 Advertising will be as detailed in NoR 7.
- 1.4 The "Moving Prohibited Zone" referred to in the Southampton Harbour Byelaw 2003 No. 11 and SI 8.3.3 shall rank as an obstruction to boats racing (see Diagram A on page 3).
- 1.5 All boats shall comply with Southampton, Portsmouth, Cowes and any other relevant Harbour Byelaws, where applicable.
- 1.6 Boats racing shall use all reasonable endeavours to avoid contact with navigation buoys, whether marks of the course or not. In the case of contact, whether or not leading to damage to the buoy, the circumstances of the incident and details of any damage shall be reported to the race committee within the protest time limit. RRS 31 and 44 shall remain in force. If the navigation buoy has been damaged the race committee may protest the boat. If a boat is forced by the actions of another boat to collide with a navigation buoy her only remedy is to protest.
- 1.7 Competitors should familiarise themselves with the current COVID-19 restrictions relating to the Race, as published at [www.roundtheisland.org.uk/covid19](http://www.roundtheisland.org.uk/covid19) and comply with any requirements specified. In addition, anyone visiting the Clubhouse over the weekend must adhere to the requirements of the Club's COVID-19 Visitors Charter which can be downloaded from the About the Club section on the ISC website.

## 2 CHANGES TO RACING RULES

- 2.1 RRS 32 is changed in that the Race will not be shortened.
- 2.2 RRS 44 will not apply. Provided that she has not caused injury or serious damage or, despite taking a penalty, gained a significant advantage in the Race, a boat that may have broken RRS 31 or a rule of RRS Part 2 may accept a time penalty of 2% of her elapsed time rounded to the nearest second (see SIs 14.1 and 14.2).
- 2.3 Under World Sailing Test Rule DR21-01 the definition Start is changed as follows:

A boat starts when her hull having been entirely on the pre-start side of the starting line, and having complied with rule 30.1 if it applies, any part of her hull crosses the starting line from the pre-start side to the course side either

  - a) at or after her starting signal, or
  - b) during the last ten seconds before her starting signal.

When a boat starts in accordance with item (b) of the definition Start, she may return to the pre-start side of the line to comply with item (a) of the definition of Start, but, if she does not the starting penalty shall be 5% of the boat's elapsed time, rounded to the nearest second, added to her elapsed time. This also changes RRS Appendix A 5.1.

- 2.4 If the Race Committee sees an infringement by a boat of any of the following Rules: RRS 42 (Propulsion), SIs 2.6, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.4, 4.4, 8.3.4, 9.1, 9.2.5, 10.2.2 or 12.2, it may disqualify the boat without a hearing. A boat so penalised shall be entitled to a hearing on request. This changes RRS 63.1.
- 2.5 The Protest Committee may waive any penalty if it decides that a boat has infringed a rule, other than a rule of Part 2 (When Boats Meet), if the infringement has had no significant effect on the outcome of the Race. This changes RRS 64.1(a).
- 2.6 Boats that have not been given prior approval under Notice of Race 3.4, and are in breach of RRS 77 and Appendix G, may be disqualified without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1
- 2.7 Other changes to the RRS are included in SIs 6.3, 9.3, 10.1.1, 10.1.2, 10.2.1, 13.2, 15.1, 15.2, 15.3 and 15.4.

## 3 SAFETY

- 3.1 Anchors stowed on deck shall not protrude over the bow. Except on trimarans, outboard engines shall not be tilted up so as to protrude beyond the transom. Dan buoy flags shall be rolled up so as not to be visible (see NoR 6.11 and 6.12).
- 3.2 All boats shall comply with RRS 1.2 and the requirements for their Class. It is also recommended that a safety harness for each crew member should be carried on board and worn in foul weather.
- 3.3 When flag "Y" (yankee) is displayed, competitors shall wear lifejackets when afloat and for the duration of the Race (see RRS 40).
- 3.4 All boats shall carry an operational marine VHF radiotelephone equipped with VHF Channels 16, 22, 69 and 72.
- 3.5 Boats failing to observe the conditions of SI 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, and 3.4 may be disqualified without a hearing (see SI 2.4). Photographic evidence may be used for boats failing to comply with these conditions.
- 3.6 In accordance with RRS 42.3(i), a boat may use its engine in order to avoid collision with commercial shipping, provided that the circumstances that led to her use of the engine were entirely outside her control and she does not gain a significant advantage in the Race. Any use of an engine must be reported to the Race Committee on a special form at Cowes Combined Clubs (CCC), Regatta House, Bath Road, Cowes. A boat taking advantage of this rule is not eligible to declare by Text Message (see SI 16.2).

## 4 ELIGIBILITY

- 4.1 A boat is eligible to race in accordance with the requirements of the Notice of Race.
- 4.2 Upon demand, the owner/person in charge of a boat shall present proof of current membership of the Class Association where appropriate.
- 4.3 Upon demand, a boat's valid measurement or rating certificate shall be presented at the Race Office located at the Island Sailing Club, Cowes (see RRS 78.2).



- 4.4 Random safety inspections will be carried out both before and after racing to check compliance with the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions. A boat that either refuses an inspection or fails to give all reasonable assistance to an authorised inspector may be disqualified without a hearing (see SI 2.4).
- 4.5 Boats shall, while racing, display from the backstay (or stern if no backstay is fitted) the fleet flag and, below this, any class identification flag assigned by the Island Sailing Club. Fleet and class identification flag assignments are shown in Table 1 on page 10. Fleet flags will be sent by post to the entrant.
- 4.6 The sail number dodgers referred to in NoR 6.15 should be displayed when approaching the finishing line on the aft port quarter of the boat for those finishing on the North line and the aft starboard quarter for those finishing on the South line. A held up white board or sheet with stencilled or stuck on large black or blue letters will also be acceptable. Gaffers are requested to use shroud boards if possible.

## 5 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

### 5.1 Notices to Competitors

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Internet at [www.roundtheisland.org.uk](http://www.roundtheisland.org.uk) and on the Official Notice Board located outside the Race Office in the lower marquee at the Island Sailing Club (ISC).

### 5.2 Changes to Sailing Instructions

Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board before 1500 on the 2nd July 2021 and on the Internet at [www.roundtheisland.org.uk](http://www.roundtheisland.org.uk). At the same time, changes will be indicated by displaying IC flag L from both the Island Sailing Club and the Royal Yacht Squadron (RYS) gatehouse flagstaffs, together with the numeral pennant denoting the latest amendment. It is the responsibility of all competitors to obtain the amended written instructions from the Race Office at the Island Sailing Club, or from the event website.

### 5.3 Radio Communication

The Race Committee will communicate race information to competitors on VHF Channel 22. No acknowledgement to these announcements will be required and no return traffic will be acknowledged with the exceptions stated in SI 11.1 (Retirements), SI 14.3 (Penalty System) and SI 15.1 (Protests).

### 5.4 Time Check

A time check signal will be broadcast 30 minutes before the first scheduled start on VHF Channel 22.

### 5.5 Race Mobile Communication

The Race Committee may additionally communicate race information to competitors on the Race Mobile Phone referred to in NoR 6.6.

## 6 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

### 6.1 Starting Signals

Starting signals will be made from the Royal Yacht Squadron.

### 6.2 Postponement

Flag AP accompanied by two sound signals means that the scheduled starts of all races not started are postponed. Detailed instructions will be given on VHF Channel 22 (see SI 9.2 Special Waiting Areas).

### 6.3 Abandonment

- 6.3.1 Flag N over A alone accompanied by three sound signals will mean that ALL Classes are cancelled and will NOT be re-sailed. This changes RRS Race Signals – Flag “N”.
- 6.3.2 Flag N over A over the cancellation International Code Numeral allocated to the Class as shown in Table 1, accompanied by two sound signals, will mean that the race for that class is cancelled and will NOT be re-sailed. This changes RRS Race Signals - Flag “N”.
- 6.3.3 The Race Committee will additionally inform all boats in the cancelled classes in accordance with Sailing Instructions 5.3 and 5.5.

## 7 CLASS FLAGS

Fleet flags, Class Identification flags and Class Cancellation IC Numerals as shown in Table 1 will be displayed by the Race Committee when appropriate.

## 8 THE COURSE

### 8.1 Course Area

Round the Isle of Wight.

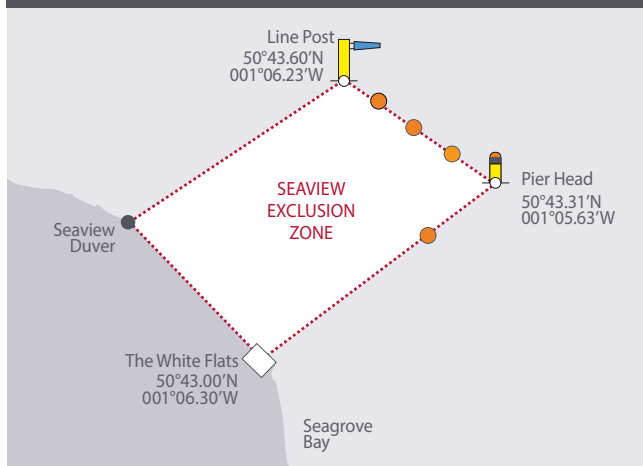
### 8.2 Course

Boats shall cross the starting line to the Westward, round the Needles Lighthouse, pass St. Catherine's Point, round Bembridge Ledge Buoy, with all marks being left to PORT and finish by crossing the CORRECT finishing line for their fleet from East to West.

### 8.3 Prohibitions

- 8.3.1 Boats shall not pass inside the outer row of small craft moorings to the west of Yarmouth Harbour entrance.
- 8.3.2 Boats shall not pass to the North of either Horse Sand Fort or the obstructions of the row of iron piles off Durns Point, East of Lymington.
- 8.3.3 Boats shall not enter the “Moving Prohibited Zone” referred to in Southampton Harbour Byelaw 2003 No 11 (see SI 1.4).
- 8.3.4 Boats shall not enter the exclusion zone off Seaview.
- a) The exclusion zone consists of a box originating from the shoreline at the North end of Seagrove Bay (the white flats) in approximate position 50°43.00'N, 001°06.30'W, out to 'Pier Head' which is a yellow cylindrical buoy with black band and orange top (in approximate position 50°43.31'N, 001°05.63'W), NW to the 'Line Post' which is a yellow post with blue windsock (in approximate position 50°43.60'N, 001°06.23'W), then directly back to the shoreline at Seaview Duver. One orange inflatable will be laid on the Eastern side of the box and three orange inflatables will be equally spaced between Pier Head and the Line Post on the Northern side of the zone (see Diagram B).

DIAGRAM B : SEAVIEW EXCLUSION ZONE



b) Boats seen to enter the Exclusion Zone will be scored with a time penalty of 5% of the boat's elapsed time rounded to the nearest second, unless the Race Committee decides that the boat has gained a significant advantage in the Race, in which case she may be disqualified without a hearing (see SI 2.3).

c) RRS 60.1 is changed in that only the Race Committee can protest for infringements of SI 8.3.4 a).

## 9 THE START

9.1 Boats whose fleet warning signal has not been displayed shall keep well clear of the starting line. Boats failing to do so may be disqualified without a hearing (see SI 2.4).

### 9.2 Special Waiting Areas (see Diagram C)

9.2.1 In collaboration with ABP Southampton, two areas clear of the deep-water channel have been designated for boats waiting to start.

9.2.2 Boats shall endeavour to stay within these areas until shortly before the starting sequence for their class. In the event of a postponement, the postponed class/classes shall clear the deep-water channel and proceed immediately (under power if necessary) to the nearest designated waiting area where they should remain until the starting sequence is resumed.

9.2.3 The North waiting area is bounded by imaginary lines between South Bramble, Thorn Knoll Buoy, the Bramble Beacon and Deloitte Sailing Club Buoy.

9.2.4 The South waiting area is bounded by imaginary lines between Prince Consort, Royal London YC Buoy and Snowden.

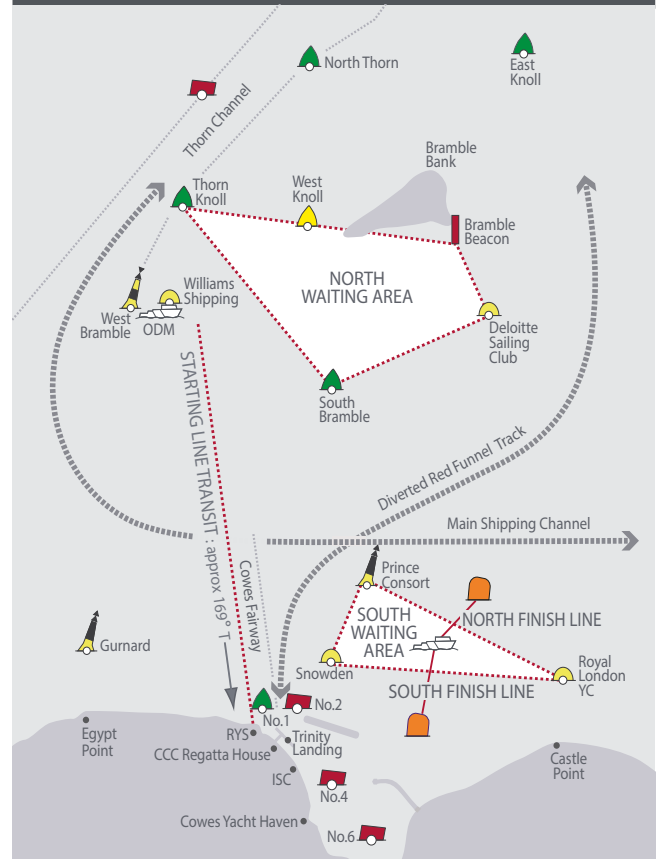
9.2.5 Race Marshals, who will be stationed aboard vessels flying a Race Marshal flag, are members of the Race Committee and will assist in directing competitors to the two special areas designated for boats waiting to start. Boats failing to respond to directions given by Race Marshals may be disqualified without a hearing (see SI 2.4).

9.3 The Race will be started in accordance with SI 9.4, which changes RRS 26. The Warning Signal will be the Fleet Flag assigned in Table 1.

### 9.4 Starting Times

The starting times for classes and fleets are shown in Table 1.

DIAGRAM C : START / FINISH LINES & WAITING AREAS



### 9.5 Starting Line (see Diagram C)

9.5.1 The starting line is formed by bringing the RYS FLAGSTAFF into line with the white line on the ORANGE DIAMOND ON THE CASTLE ROOF. Vertical light beams are installed at the RYS to identify the starting line transit. These light beams are navigational aids only and do NOT constitute the starting line, nor will their failure cause any start to be postponed.

9.5.2 The outer distance starting mark (ODM) will be a Committee Vessel, displaying an ISC burgee, attached to the Williams Shipping Buoy, which may not lie on the starting line. In the unlikely event of the Committee Vessel not being attached, the ODM will be the Williams Shipping Buoy.

9.5.3 For safety reasons, the outer distance starting mark (ODM) described in Sailing Instruction 9.5.2 shall be the inner distance starting mark (IDM) for certain boats in the Grand Prix Multihull class. Boats to whom this instruction applies who will be contacted by the Organising Authority at least 24 hours prior to the start. All other boats in the Grand Prix and MOCRA Racing Class shall start in accordance with Sailing Instruction 9.5.2.

## 10 RECALLS

### 10.1 Individual Recall

10.1.1 The Race Committee may broadcast on VHF Channel 22 sail numbers of boats that were OCS and have failed to start correctly. The broadcast will be made as soon as possible after checking but not before one minute after the start.





Any failure to broadcast, or delay in so doing, shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

- 10.1.2 The Race Committee will broadcast on VHF Channel 22 at 0900 and 1000 a list of boats which have been scored with an OCS time penalty or have been scored as OCS (see SI 2.3). In the event of a postponement, the times of these broadcasts may be altered by the Race Committee, and the revised schedule will be notified to competitors on VHF Channel 22.

## 10.2 General Recall

- 10.2.1 The starting signal for a recalled class will be not less than twenty minutes after the scheduled start of Fleet No 10 Purple. Additional details will be given on VHF Channel 22. This changes RRS 29.2.
- 10.2.2 Boats returning after a General Recall shall keep clear of classes about to start. Boats seen to infringe this rule may be disqualified without a hearing (see SI 2.4).

## 11 RETIREMENT

- 11.1 Boats are requested to report their retirement to the Island Sailing Club, Cowes at the earliest opportunity by one of the following methods:
- by Text Message (see page 9 for instructions)
  - by telephone to 01983 296621
  - by VHF Radio on Channel 22 (Call sign "Island Link") between 0815 and 2200 hours only (see SI 5.3).
- 11.2 On retirement from the Race, boats are requested to display an ensign and to keep well clear of boats that are still racing.

## 12 THE FINISH

### 12.1 Finishing Lines (see Diagram D)

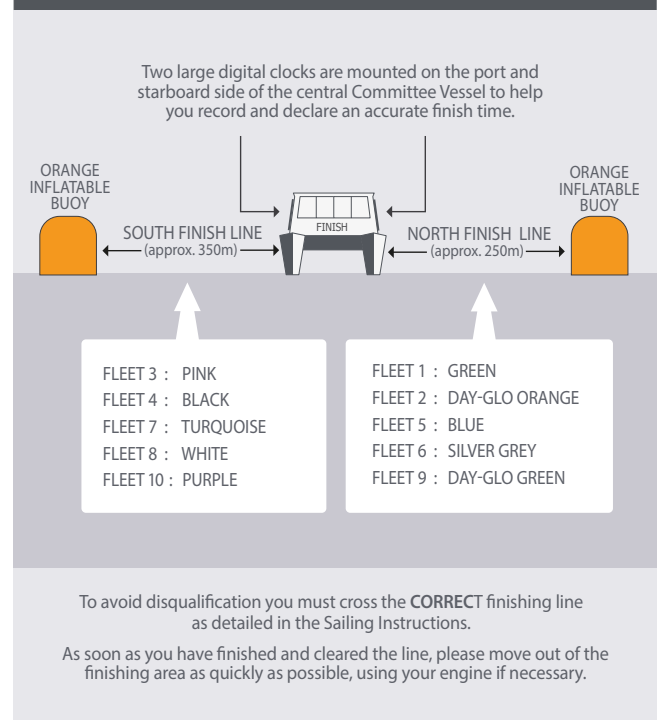
There are two Finishing Lines which will be situated just North of the East Cowes Breakwater. Boats are required to finish as designated below:

- The finishing line for Fleet 1 (Green), Fleet 2 (Day-Glo Orange), Fleet 5 (Blue), Fleet 6 (Silver Grey), and Fleet 9 (Day-Glo Green) will be the NORTH line between a yellow and black striped board on a central committee boat (displaying an ISC Burgee and a blue flag) and a large orange inflatable mark laid approximately 250 metres to the North of the central committee boat. For ease of identification the central committee boat will also carry a large Day-Glo Pink banner.
- The finishing line for Fleet 3 (Pink), Fleet 4 (Black), Fleet 7 (Turquoise), Fleet 8 (White), and Fleet 10 (Purple) will be the SOUTH line between a yellow and black striped board on a central committee boat (displaying an ISC Burgee and a blue flag) and a large orange inflatable mark laid approximately 350 metres to the South of the central committee boat. For ease of identification the central committee boat will also carry a large Day-Glo Pink banner.

### 12.2 Finishing Line Infringements

- 12.2.1 After crossing and clearing a finishing line, a boat that re-crosses either finishing line in any direction before the time limit may be disqualified without a hearing (see SI 2.4).
- 12.2.2 A boat crossing the wrong finishing line will be disqualified without a hearing and therefore will not be entitled to receive a prize or a finishing position (see SI 2.4).

### DIAGRAM D : FINISHING LINE (FROM THE EAST)



## 13 TIME LIMIT

- 13.1 The time limit for the Race is 2200 hours.
- 13.2 RRS 35 will not apply. Any boat that does not complete the course and finish before 2200 will be scored DNF.
- 13.3 When no boat finishes within the prescribed time limit, the Race will be abandoned and will NOT be re-sailed.

## 14 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 14.1 RRS 44 will not apply. A boat that may have broken a rule of RRS Part 2 (When Boats Meet) while racing may accept a time penalty, unless she has caused injury or serious damage or gained a significant advantage in the Race in which case she shall retire. The time penalty will be 2% of her elapsed time rounded to the nearest second.
- 14.2 A boat that has broken RRS 31 (Touching a Mark) may accept a time penalty, unless she has caused injury or serious damage or gained a significant advantage in the Race in which case she shall retire. The time penalty will be 2% of her elapsed time rounded to the nearest second.
- 14.3 A boat accepting a time penalty shall:
- Display a yellow flag at the first reasonable opportunity after the incident.
  - As soon as possible after the incident, but not before 0815, inform the Race Committee by VHF Radio on Channel 22 (call sign 'Island Link'), or by other means, such as mobile telephone to 01983 296621 or 01983 248004, of her acceptance of the time penalty.

c) Report her acceptance and identify any other boat(s) involved to the Race Committee within two hours of her finish or by 2300 on the day of the Race, whichever is earlier. This acceptance shall be lodged on a specific form available at Cowes Combined Clubs (CCC), Regatta House, Bath Road, Cowes.

d) Declare at Cowes Combined Clubs (CCC), Regatta House, Bath Road, Cowes in accordance with SI 16.1.

- 14.4 A boat that has not complied with SI 14.3 may acknowledge an infringement before a hearing provided she did not cause injury or serious damage or gain a significant advantage. She will receive a penalty of 5% of her elapsed time, rounded to the nearest second.
- 14.5 A boat seeking to take a time penalty under SI 14.1 or 14.2 which has neither fully complied with the provisions of SI 14.3 nor acknowledged her infringement under SI 14.4 shall be deemed to have retired.

## 14.6 Limits on Penalties

- 14.7 When a boat intends to take a penalty as provided in SI 14.1, and in the same incident has touched a mark, she need not take the penalty provided in SI 14.2.
- 14.8 A boat that takes a penalty shall not be penalised further with respect to the same incident unless she failed to retire after causing injury or serious damage or gained a significant advantage in the Race.
- 14.9 A boat may only accept one time penalty under SI 14.1 during the Race. After a second infringement, a boat shall either retire or protest and, in so doing, shall make clear her intention to the other boat involved.
- 14.10 Any boat that takes a time penalty under SI 2.3, 14.1 or 14.2 will not be eligible for any 'Line Honours' prizes.
- 14.11 A boat shall not be scored as having finished outside the time limit solely by the application of a time penalty.

## 15 PROTESTS

- 15.1 RRS 61.1(a) is changed by adding the following: "The protesting boat shall additionally, as soon as reasonably possible following the incident, but not before 0815, inform the Race Committee by VHF Radio on Channel 22 (Call sign "Island Link"), or by other means, such as mobile telephone to 01983 296621 or 01983 248004, of her intention to lodge a protest. Competitors involved in incidents on or near the finishing line should ensure that notification of their intention to protest is made promptly in order that the boat being protested can be informed as soon as possible.
- 15.2 A protest shall be written on an official ISC form and shall be lodged at Cowes Combined Clubs (CCC), Regatta House, Bath Road, Cowes within 2 hours of her finish or by 2300 on the day of the Race, whichever is the earlier. The Protest Committee may exceptionally extend this time limit. This changes RRS 61.3. A downloadable copy of the protest form is available at [rtir.me/protestform](http://rtir.me/protestform)
- 15.3 RRS 66 is changed in that a party to a hearing may ask for a reopening no later than 2 hours after being informed of the decision, or by 2300 on the day of the Race, whichever is the earlier.

- 15.4 Protest hearings will take place at Cowes Combined Clubs (CCC), Regatta House, Bath Road, Cowes on the day of the Race unless the Protest Committee exceptionally adjourns the hearing or has agreed to hear the protest remotely, if necessary. This changes RRS 63.
- 15.5 The Race Committee will broadcast on VHF Channel 22, from 0900 onwards, a list of boats which have notified their intention to lodge a protest and of protested boats (see SI 15.1). The name and/or sail number of the boats involved will be broadcast on two separate occasions at hourly intervals as soon as possible after each notification has been received by the Race Committee. It is also intended that boats being protested will be informed by Text Message on their pre-registered Race Mobile Phone. Boats whose names or sail numbers are broadcast should contact Protest Reception on 01983 248004 when they may be advised to go directly to Cowes Combined Clubs (CCC), Regatta House, Bath Road, Cowes. Failure of the Race Committee to transmit all or some of this information shall not be grounds for redress or reopening the hearing should the Protest Committee proceed with a hearing under RRS 63.3(b).
- 15.6 The Race Committee will broadcast on VHF Channel 22 at 0900 and 1000 a list of boats disqualified in accordance with SI 2.4. Infringements seen during the Race, or at the finish, may not be broadcast. Boats whose names or sail numbers are broadcast should contact Protest Reception on 01983 248004 to find out how their declaration should be made.
- 15.7 In the event of a postponement, the times of broadcasts made in accordance with SIs 10.1.4, 15.5 and 15.6 may be altered by the Race Committee, and the revised schedule will be notified to competitors on VHF Channel 22. Failure of the Race Committee to transmit all or some of this information shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 15.8 The pre-registered Race Mobile Phone number will be used by the Protest Committee to inform boats of protests that have been lodged against them and times for protest hearings. Competitors should therefore continue to check their Race Mobile Phones for messages for several hours after finishing.

## 16 DECLARATIONS

- 16.1 Every boat must declare her finishing time by Text Message, in the correct format (see Figure 1), which must be sent from the pre-registered Race Mobile Phone within 30 minutes of her finishing time. Boats that are unable to use their registered phone on Race day should go to the Island Sailing Club Office in order to declare ashore, or use another phone to call 01983 296621.
- 16.2 Except in exceptional circumstances, boats that fail to submit a valid declaration in accordance with SI 16.1 will not be given a finishing position.
- 16.3 Notwithstanding SI 16.1, any boat which has been involved in an incident that may have resulted in contact with another boat, or has used its engine in accordance with SI 3.6, or has accepted a time penalty in accordance with SI 14 or has been informed of a protest under RRS 61.1 or is likely to be a party to a protest, should not declare by Text Message, or ashore, but contact Protest Reception on 01983 248004 when they may be advised to go directly to Cowes Combined Clubs (CCC), Regatta House, Bath Road, Cowes. (see SIs 3.6, 14.3, 15.5 and 15.6.) It is intended that these boats will be reminded of the need to go to the CCC by Text Message.



## FIGURE 1 : TEXT DECLARATION INSTRUCTIONS

A complete set of instructions regarding SMS text declarations can be downloaded from the race website (<http://rtir.me/declarations>). Here are the essentials:

1. Within 30 minutes of finishing, reply to your welcome message or send a new message to **02380 001 802**
2. If you finish the race correctly send your finish time, the boat ahead and the boat astern in this format :  
**1624 GBR1234T K987**
3. If you retire from the race, send: **RETIRED**
4. If you do not start the race, send: **DNS**
5. Wait for a response confirming that your declaration has been received.
6. If you have not received a response within 10 minutes, your declaration has not been received!  
You must either send your declaration again or call **01983 296621** to report your declaration problem.

## 17 TRACKING

- 17.1 For safety and race management purposes, boats while racing shall carry and use an approved tracking device, which shall be one of the following:
- a) An AIS transponder. Competitors shall use their best endeavours to ensure that the device is switched on and transmitting at least once every 5 minutes; or
  - b) A compatible mobile device running the Race Tracking App. Competitors shall use their best endeavours to ensure that their boat has one or more such devices onboard and operating (multiple devices are encouraged to ensure compliance with this SI).
- 17.2 Protests for infringement of 17.1 may be brought only by the Race Committee. This changes RRS 60.1

## 18 SCORING

- 18.1 **Corrected Time**  
In sequence from the shortest time after the elapsed time has been multiplied by the relevant time correction factor.
- 18.2 **Elapsed Time**  
For one-design classes, times will be shown in chronological sequence from the shortest recorded time.
- 18.3 Boats whose sail numbers are not identified will be timed on the basis of their declaration.

## 19 RESULTS

The provisional results of the corrected or elapsed times will be posted online and on the electronic results boards at the Island Sailing Club as soon as possible. The final results will ONLY be published on the Round the Island Race website [www.roundtheisland.org.uk](http://www.roundtheisland.org.uk)

## 20 RECORDS

The Race Committee will ratify separate race records for multihull and monohull boats, based on elapsed time. The current records stand at 2h 23m 23s (multihull) and 3h 43m 5s (monohull).

## 21 PRIZES

Due to the ongoing Covid restrictions, only the two major trophies, the Gold Roman Bowl (IRC Class) and the Silver Gilt Roman Bowl (ISCRS Class) will be presented in person to the representative of the winning boats at the Island Sailing Club at 1100 hours on Sunday 4th July 2021. A full prizegiving of the trophies in Table 2 will take place on Saturday 7th August at 1100 hours. The other winners' trophies as detailed in the Notice of Race will be available for collection from the Race Office from Monday 2nd August 2021.

## 22 RISK STATEMENT

Rule 3 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states:

"The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing 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:

- 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 omissions;
- 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, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
- g) They are responsible for ensuring that their boat is equipped and seaworthy so as to be able to face extremes of weather; that there is a crew sufficient in number, experience and fitness to withstand such weather; and that the safety equipment is properly maintained, stowed and in date and is familiar to the crew; and their boat is adequately insured, with cover of at least £3,000,000 sterling against third party claims.

## 23 RYA CHARTER

Competitors should note that Island Sailing Club events implement the RYA Racing Charter and that competitors are required to sail in compliance with the Charter, which can be found at the front of the RYA rule book (Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024) or at [www.rya.org.uk/racing/charter](http://www.rya.org.uk/racing/charter) (see NoR 17).

**TABLE 1 : CLASSES, FLAGS and START TIMES**

Fleet Start Order	Fleet Flag	Class	Class ID Flag (provided by entrant)	Cancellation Flag	Warning Signal	'P' Flag	1 Minute Remove 'P'	Start Time
1	Green	Open 60	 T	 IC7	0620	0625	0629	0630
		IRC Group 0 (1.110 and above) *	 H	 IC7				
		IRC Group 1 (1.032 to 1.109) *	None	 IC7				
		Class 40	 Class Flag	 IC7				
		Clipper Yachts (Clipper 68 and Clipper 70 Class Yachts)	 Class Flag	 IC7				
2	Day-Glo Orange	Multihulls Grand Prix and MOCRA Racing (LOA 9.15m and over) *	None	 IC5	0630	0635	0639	0640
		Multihulls Grand Prix and MOCRA Racing (LOA under 9.15m) *	 M	 IC1				
		Multihulls Bridgedeck Catamaran Cruiser (LOA 9.15m and over)	 NN8	 IC2				
		Multihulls Bridgedeck Catamaran Cruiser (LOA under 9.15m)	 NN1	 IC1				
		Diam 24	 D	 IC1				
		Gaffers Division 1 - LWL of 28ft and above	 NN4	 IC5				
		Gaffers Division 2 - LWL of 23ft and above but below 28ft	 R	 IC3				
		Gaffers Division 3 - LWL of less than 23ft	 NN9	 IC1				
3	Pink	Sportsboat	 NN5	 IC1	0640	0645	0649	0650
		HP30	 Class Flag	 IC1				
		J/70	 NN7	 IC1				
		Sunsail 41.0	 Class Flag	 IC6				
4	Black	ISC Rating System Group 4 (1.013 and above)	None	 IC7	0650	0655	0659	0700
5	Blue	IRC Group 2 (0.972 to 1.031) *	None	 IC6	0700	0705	0709	0710
		J/80	 NN0	 IC4				
		J/88	 NN6	 IC4				
6	Silver Grey	IRC Group 3 (0.971 and below) *	None	 IC5	0710	0715	0719	0720
7	Turquoise	ISC Rating System Group 5 (0.989 to 1.012)	None	 IC6	0720	0725	0729	0730
		Nicholson 32	 NN3	 IC5				
8	White	ISC Rating System Group 6 (0.975 to 0.988)	None	 IC5	0730	0735	0739	0740
		Classic Racing Yachts racing under ISCRS (LOA 9.6m and over)	 K	 IC3				
		Classic Racing Yachts racing under ISCRS (LOA under 9.6m)	 J	 IC2				
		Modern Classic Racing Yachts racing under IRC (LOA of 30ft and over)	 L	 IC3				
9	Day-Glo Green	ISC Rating System Group 7 (0.931 to 0.974)	None	 IC4	0740	0745	0749	0750
		Folkboat	 NN2	 IC4				
10	Purple	ISC Rating System Group 8 (0.930 and below)	None	 IC3	0750	0755	0759	0800

\* Extracted results for Double Handed boats will additionally be provided in accordance with NoR 4.8.6

IC = International Code NN = Naval Numeral



**TABLE 2 : WINNERS' TROPHIES TO BE AWARDED AT THE PRIZE GIVING AT 1100 ON SATURDAY 7TH AUGUST**

(Other winners' trophies, as detailed in the Notice of Race, will be available for collection from the Race Office from Monday 2nd August)

<b>Line Honours Prizes</b> <i>First boat to cross the finishing line</i>		<b>IRC Rated Classes (cont)</b> <i>First boat on corrected time</i>		<b>Other Rated Classes</b> <i>First boat on corrected time</i>	
Monohull	Observer Trophy and Salver	Sportsboat	Edward Heath Trophy	Gaffers - Division 1	Jubilee Trophy
IRC Rated Classes	Conrad Ritblat Trophy and Salver	HP30	HP30 Class Trophy	Gaffers - Division 2	Discovery Trophy
ISCRS Classes	Helly Hansen Trophy	Modern Classic Racing Yacht	Spirit Trophy	Gaffers - Division 3	Foxhound Trophy
Gaffers	Shamrock Challenge Trophy	British Classic Yacht Club Yachts	BCYC Island Trophy	Multihull Grand Prix	Dean and Reddyhoff Trophy
Multihull Grand Prix & MOCRA Racing Classes	Freedom Challenge Bowl	Young Skipper	Raymarine Round the Island Young Sailor Trophy	Multihull MOCRA Racing	Trifle Trophy
Classic Racing Yacht	Field Barnacle	J Boats	J Boat Trophy	Multihull Bridgedeck Catamaran Cruiser	HOYA Trophy
<b>IRC Rated Classes</b> <i>First boat on corrected time</i>		Contessa 26	Jeremy Rogers Trophy	Multihull Overall	Golden Miller Challenge Cup
First Overall in IRC Class	Gold Roman Bowl and Salver	<b>ISC Rating System Classes</b> <i>First boat on corrected time</i>		Multihull Grand Prix and MOCRA Racing Double Handed	Multihull Double Handed Trophy
Second Overall in IRC Class	Silver Roman Bowl and Salver	First Overall in ISCRS Class	Silver Gilt Roman Bowl and Salver	<b>One Design Classes</b> <i>First boat on elapsed time</i>	
Third Overall in IRC Class	Royal Thames Challenge Trophy and Salver	Second Overall in ISCRS Class	Fidelis Trophy	Folkboat	Red Lion Trophy
Fourth Overall in IRC Class	Royal London Challenge Cup and Salver	Third Overall in ISCRS Class	Geisco Trophy	Diam 24	Solent Challenge Cup
First Double Handed Overall in IRC Class	IRC Double Handed Trophy	Fourth Overall in ISCRS Class	Leonard Bloomfield Trophy	J/80	Will Souter Trophy
Group 0	Helly Hansen Alive Trophy	Group 4	Crankshaw Bowl, Salver and divisional prizes	J/88	Turbo UK Cup
Group 1	Owen Parker Memorial Trophy and divisional prizes	Group 5	Jimmie Read Memorial Cup and divisional prizes	Nicholson 32	Halmatic Trophy
Group 2	Yeoman Challenge Trophy and divisional prizes	Group 6	Fedalah Challenge Trophy and divisional prizes	Sunsail 41.0	Small Luxury Hotels of the World Challenge Cup
Group 3	Champagne Mumm Challenge Cup and divisional prizes	Group 7	Spread Eagle Trophy and divisional prizes	Class 40	Class 40 Round the Island Race Trophy
First Overall Team	Methuselah Trophy	Group 8	Trafalgar 200 Trophy and divisional prizes	Open 60	Lombard Marine Finance Challenge Trophy
Second Overall Team	Jeroboam Trophy	First Overall Team	Arun Yacht Club Team Challenge Trophy	Clipper Yachts	Vaphio Cup
Sailing School Boats	John Franks Trophy	Second Overall Team	Jeroboam Trophy	<b>Special Race Trophies</b>	
Chartered Surveyors	Shepherds Trophy	Family Crewed Boats	Family Trophy	<b>Tenacity Trophy</b> Awarded to the last boat to finish within the time limit.	
Civil Engineers	Telford Goblet	Chartered Surveyors	Shepherds Trophy	<b>Special Race Trophies</b> <i>that are awarded after the Race</i>	
X-Yachts	X-Yachts Trophy	Young Skipper	Raymarine Round the Island Young Sailor Trophy	<b>MS Amlin Outstanding Seamanship Award</b> Awarded later in the year for an act of outstanding seamanship taking place on the day of the Round the Island Race.	
National Sonata	Sonata Salver and Jack Knights Trophy	Classic Racing Yacht	Renaissance Trophy		
Beneteau First 40	Dream Yacht Charter First 40 Trophy	Camper & Nicholson Production Yachts	Camper & Nicholson Cup		
Quarter Tonner	Elephant Trophy	Contessa 26	David Sadler Trophy		
Mini Tonner	Kemp Sails Mini Tonner Trophy	Contessa 32	Contessa Challenge Trophy		

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The isolation, loneliness and anxiety experienced by young people with cancer has been massively amplified by the pandemic and lockdown.

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Simply text RACEFORALL to 70085 to donate £5 (texts cost £5 plus one standard rate message) or head to [ellenmacarthurcancertrust.org](http://ellenmacarthurcancertrust.org) to find out more about the Trust and their work.

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## THE ONLINE PHOTO GALLERY

Whilst we employ professional marine photographer, Paul Wyeth ([www.pwpictures.com](http://www.pwpictures.com)) to capture all aspects of the race (see event website for images), participants and spectators are encouraged to record their own unique experiences too.

Our online photo gallery allows anyone to share their pictures of the race with fellow competitors and sailing fans around the world. In 2019 thousands of images were uploaded by people taking part, and many wonderful shots were featured on the Round the Island Race website.



photo : Chris Alexander

If you'd like to share your pictures of the 2021 race, just select your favourite images and upload them via the website ([rtir.me/upload](http://rtir.me/upload)) from the day of the race.

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