



DARTMOUTH ROYAL REGATTA SAILING WEEK

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Savills PASSAGE RACE BRIXHAM to DARTMOUTH SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

The notation [NP] in a rule in the NoR means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

The notation [DP] in a rule means that the penalty for a breach of the rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

All times in this document are BST (UTC+1)

1 RULES

The event is governed by the rules as defined in in the Notice of Race (NoR).

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 18:00 on Monday 26th August 2024.

2.2 In the event of forecast adverse weather, Abandonment of the race will be posted at the earliest opportunity. Boats are advised to check the online notice board prior to leaving their home port for Brixham. This does not preclude later Abandonment up to the scheduled first warning signal.

3 COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS

3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official online notice board accessible on the Racing Rules of Sailing App for mobile devices and also via www.dartmouthsailingweek.com/noticeboard.



3.2 The race office is located at the Royal Dart Yacht Club (RDYC).

- 3.3 On the water, the race committees intend to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF channel 72.
- 3.4 The following communications will be made by the race committee on the above VHF channel:
- Time checks
 - Changes to starting sequence
 - Course
- 3.5 The following communications may be made by the race committee on the above VHF channel and in addition to flag signals where appropriate:
- Postponement
 - Abandonment
- 3.6 [DP] While racing, from a boat's warning signal until it has finished or retired, 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 **CODE OF CONDUCT**

[DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

5 **SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

Signals made ashore will be displayed at the signal station of Brixham Yacht Club (BYC) at Battery Point, Brixham.

6 **RACE SCHEDULE & CLASS FLAGS**

6.1

<i>Class</i>	<i>Class Pennant (Mandatory to display – NoR1.4.2)</i>	<i>Scheduled Warning signal</i>
IRC	Numeral 1	13:55
Cruiser	Numeral 2	14:00
Cruiser non spinnaker	Numeral 3	

6.2 The warning signal is 5 minutes before each class start.

7 **RACING AREAS**

The racing area is the English Channel between Brixham and Dartmouth including Torbay and Start Bay

8 COURSES

8.1 The course to be sailed by each class will be advised by VHF radio channel 72 at 13:40 and again following a time check at 13:45. Classes may not all sail the same course. The course to be sailed may also be repeated at the warning signal for each class. Failure by a boat to hear such VHF transmissions shall not be grounds for request of redress. (This changes RRS 60.1(b) and 62.1 (a)).

8.2

<i>Course letter</i>	<i>Mark rounding order – All marks to be left to starboard</i>	<i>Approx. distance</i>
A	Start - Berry Head - RDYC Buoy 4 - Finish	8.0nm
B	Start - Berry Head - RDYC Buoy 2 - Finish	8.8nm
C	Start - Berry Head - Skerries Buoy - Finish	14.0nm

9 MARKS

<i>Name</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Position</i>
Brixham Outer Distance Mark (ODM)	Buoy with red flag	50° 24.4 N, 3° 31.3 W
RDYC 2	Yellow conical buoy with number 2	50° 18.7 N, 3° 33.4 W
RDYC 4	Yellow conical buoy with number 4	50° 19.6 N, 3° 32.4 W
Skerries	Red Lateral navigation buoy	50° 16.3 N, 3° 33.7 W
Castle Ledge	Green Lateral navigation buoy	50° 20.0 N, 3° 33.1 W

10 OBSTRUCTIONS

While racing boats shall not pass between any of the following:

The shore and each of the following: Cod Rock, Mewstone Cardinal Buoy, West Rock Cardinal Buoy, Western Blackstone Rocks, Coombe Rocks, Dancing Beggars Rocks.

It is strongly recommended these areas are also avoided when not racing.

11 THE START

11.1 The starting line will be between the flagstaff at Battery Point, Brixham and the Brixham ODM (on an approximate bearing of 340 degrees).

11.2 [DP][NP] Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races and in particular, not cross the start line in the direction from the course to the pre-start side.

11.3 A boat that does not start within 10 minutes of her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

- 11.4 [NP] If any part of a boats hull, having previously been entirely on the pre-start side of the starting line, is on the course side of the line in the one minute before her starting signal, she will be considered to have started under provision (b) of World Sailing Development Rule DR21-01 (as defined in the NoR). She shall not return to the pre-start side of the line and will receive a time penalty, without a hearing, of 10% (rounded to the nearest minute) added to her elapsed time. This changes RRS 63.1, 35 and A5. No individual recall will be signalled. This changes Race Signals.

12 THE FINISH

- 12.1 The finishing line is between the course side of Castle Ledge Buoy at the starboard end and the staff displaying a blue flag on race committee finishing vessel 'Vital Spark' (see photo below) at the port end. 'Vital Spark' will be situated approximately 75m away from Castle Ledge Buoy and approximately on the transit of the RDYC masts on Blackstone Point. All boats shall note their own finish time from their GPS (UTC+1), and position in relation to other boats. This information may be requested by the race committee.



- 12.2 For Courses A & B the course may be shortened in accordance with RRS32.2(a) at RDYC 4 and 2 respectively.
- 12.3 If the race committee vessel is absent when a boat finishes, she shall report her finishing time (with Castle Ledge Buoy to starboard and crossing the transit of the RDYC masts on Blackstone Point), and her position in relation to nearby boats, to the race committee at RDYC, at the first reasonable opportunity.

13 PENALTY SYSTEM

RRS 44.1 and 44.2 shall apply.

14 TIME LIMIT


The time limit for all classes is 18:00. Yachts finishing after this time will be recorded DNF without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

15 HEARING REQUESTS

15.1 The Post-Race Penalty, Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration procedures of the RYA Rules Disputes procedures shall apply. The outcome of RYA Arbitration can be referred to a protest committee, but an arbitration cannot be reopened or appealed. See the Official Notice Board for details.

15.2 All RRS part 2 protests will initially be dealt with by the RYA Arbitration Procedure as soon after the protest time limit as practicable, after which the protest hearing schedule will be posted on the official notice board.

Hearings will be held in the protest room, located on the ground floor of Kingswear Village Hall.

15.3 Registration of a hearing request can be made via mobile devices using the Racing Rules of Sailing App . Competitors are encouraged to use this facility.

Hearing request forms are also available from the race office at RDYC or can be downloaded from dartmouthsailingweek.com/race-documents/ or www.rya.org.uk

15.4 The protest time limit is one hour after the last boat finishes the race.

15.5 Notices of protests by the race or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).

15.6 RRS 64.2 is changed: Except for infringements to parts 1 and 2 of the RRS, in the case of an infringement to the RRS the protest committee may decide what penalty to apply, including no penalty.

16 SAFETY REGULATIONS

16.1 Safety regulations are detailed in NoR 1.5.

16.2 [DP] A boat that retires from the race shall notify the OA at RDYC at the first reasonable opportunity.

16.3 In the event of injury to any crew member, the person in charge is responsible for taking appropriate action.

17 REFUSE DISPOSAL

Refuse disposal facilities are available ashore or in the skips on the Dart Harbour pontoon immediately north of the Fuel Barge.

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES APPENDIX

SERIOUS INJURY or EMERGENCY

If in the judgement of the person in charge, the situation is a serious emergency, call the Coastguard on VHF channel 16 or phone 999 and request immediate assistance.

LESS SERIOUS INJURY

If in the judgement of the person in charge, medical attention of a less serious nature is required **on arrival in Dartmouth (or return to Brixham as appropriate)**, telephone the following number:

Regatta Paramedics: **01626 245999 – select option 1.**

They will triage and direct the boat to either the Town Jetty or Darthaven Visitors Pontoon (see diagram below) in Dartmouth or make similar arrangements in Brixham.

IN EITHER CASE when time permits the Regatta Race Office should be advised – they will coordinate berthing and other assistance as necessary.

Regatta Race Office: 01803 752496 – select option 4.

Plan of Dart Harbour (not to scale)

Advisory note: Topography makes using VHF for communication with stations located in the River Dart unreliable, but there is good mobile phone coverage along the coast and in Start Bay, hence the phone numbers.

Please make all the crew aware of these procedures.

