

Ballyholme Yacht Club

Boxing Day Regatta 2023



NOTICE OF RACE

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

This event will be organised by Ballyholme Yacht Club.

The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the Notice of Race (NoR) or Sailing Instructions means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Racing rules 26, 27.1, 33, 44.1, 60.1(b), 61.3, 62.1(a), 62.2, and A will be changed. The changes appear, in full, in this notice of race or in the sailing instructions.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available on the club website www.ballyholme.com. by 18th December 2023

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The official noticeboard is located at the front door of Ballyholme Yacht Club.
[DP] 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 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 Entry is open to dinghies and multihull dinghies in the following classes:
Slow Handicap Class – dinghies with a Portsmouth Number greater than 1140
Fast Handicap Class – dinghies with a Portsmouth Number less than or equal to 1140
ILCA 7, ILCA 6, Laser and Laser Radial
Multihull Dinghies
- 4.2 Eligible boats may enter by the helm or crew completing the sign-out sheet in the foyer of BYC on Boxing Day and paying the fee.
- 4.3 To be considered an entry in the Regatta, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.

5 FEES

Entry fee is at least £5.00 for all sailors will all proceeds going to RNLI.

6 CREW LIMITATIONS

Does not apply.

7 ADVERTISING

[DP] [NP] Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

8 QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES

Does not apply.

9 SCHEDULE

9.1 The event will be two races back-to-back.

9.2 The scheduled time of the first warning signal will be 1254 hrs

10 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

Boats may be inspected at any time.

11 CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

11.1 RRS 40.1 shall apply at all times while afloat.

11.2 All dinghies and multihulls shall have a painter of at least 5 metres of suitable line affixed to the boat which is separate from any other lines or sheets.

12 VENUE

The Sailing Area will be in Ballyholme Bay.

13 COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be around fixed marks from a committee vessel start.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

14.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty for the Multihull class only.

14.2 The Post Race Penalty and Appendix T apply. Decisions from Arbitration can be referred to the protest committee but cannot be reopened or appealed.

15 SCORING

15.1 RRS A5.3 will apply.

15.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute the Regatta. The overall result will be combination of all scores. There are no discards.

15.3 In the slow and fast dinghy handicap class, elapsed time will be calculated by applying an appropriate conversion factor based on the RYA Portsmouth Yardstick. In exception to this the Toppers and Topper 4.2s will be considered to be one design classes, and the RS Aero class, the Portsmouth Number used for sale size 6 will be applied for all competitors.

15.4 Scoring for the Multihull class will be calculated using the current SHCRS number.

16 [DP] [NP] SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS.

16.1 When afloat all support persons on that vessel, shall wear a personal flotation device and when the engine of a support vessel is running, the support vessel driver shall use a kill cord.

17 CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS

Does not apply.

18 BERTHING

[DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the dinghy park.

19 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Does not apply.

20 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Does not apply.

21 DATA PROTECTION

The Club Data Processing Policy is available on the class website.

22 RISK STATEMENT

22.1 RRS 3 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone".

Sailing by its nature is 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) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules or information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.

22.2 [NP] [DP] COVID Statement

By taking part in any of the events covered by this notice of race, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that they are responsible for complying with any regulations in force from time to time in respect of COVID-19 and for complying with the venue/OA/sailing club COVID-19 procedures. Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Failure to comply may be misconduct. Reasonable actions by event officials to implement COVID-19 guidance, protocols, or legislation, even if they later prove to be unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions.

23 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 Pounds Sterling per incident or the equivalent.

24 PRIZES

24.1 Each Fleet will have their own separate prize, any other prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the race committee.

25 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact clubmanager@ballyholme.com or admin@ballyholme.com

END OF NOTICE OF RACE