

East Lothian Yacht Club Open Regatta



Organising Authority – East Lothian Yacht Club

4th and 5th June 2022

North Berwick

NOTICE OF RACE

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

1. RULES

The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available at <https://elyc.org.uk/regatta22>. The sailing instructions may change some RRS.

3. COMMUNICATION

3.1. The online official notice board is located at <https://elyc.org.uk/regatta22>.

3.2. [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. The event is open to all boats belonging to, or under the control of, members of the RYA or members of clubs affiliated to the RYA with a minimum Portsmouth Yardstick Number of 1365.
- 4.2. Classes with 5 or more entries may qualify for a separate start. It is anticipated that separate starts will be provided for the following: GP14, ILCA/Laser, RS200, Scottish Skiffs (Musto Skiff, RS800, 29er, etc.), and handicap fleet(s).
- 4.3. The Portsmouth Yardstick applies to boats racing under handicap.
- 4.4. Boats must enter the event by registering online at <https://elyc.org.uk/regatta22>.
- 4.5. **Entry will close on Friday 3rd June at 5pm. No entries will be accepted on the day.**
- 4.6. Any competitors aged under 18 shall complete a Parental Disclosure Form, Photography Consent Form and a Medical Consent Form. These will be available online during registration.
- 4.7. To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.8. There will be an entry limit of 150 boats.

5. FEES

- 5.1. Entry fees are as follows:

| | Early Bird (ends 6th May) | Standard (from 7th May) |
|---------------|---------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| Single hander | £30 | £35 |
| Double hander | £35 | £40 |

- 5.2. If the organising authority cancels the event for any reason including COVID restrictions prior to 4th June a full refund will be issued.

6. SCHEDULE

- 6.1. There will be no in person registration.
- 6.2. There will be a competitor briefing on Saturday 4th June at 1130hrs outside the clubhouse.

6.3. The schedule for racing is as follows:

| Date | First Warning Signal | Number of Races |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| Saturday 4 th June | 1256hrs | Up to 4 (*see 6.5) |
| Sunday 5 th June | 1056hrs | Up to 4 |

6.4. 6 races are scheduled.

6.5. Selected classes may be invited to participate in an additional Bass Rock race, which may run on Saturday 4th June after the series racing has been completed for the day.

6.6. On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1500hrs.

7. VENUE

7.1. The sailing areas will be off the coast of North Berwick. Two race courses are available:

7.1.1. between the islands of The Lamb and Craigleith, and

7.1.2. between the islands of Craigleith and Bass Rock.

8. THE COURSES

8.1. The courses will be described in the sailing instructions and may include windward-leeward, trapezoid, triangular courses and a course up to the Bass Rock.

8.2. Line starts are intended.

9. SCORING

9.1. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

9.2. When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

9.3. When four or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

9.4. This changes RRS A2.

10. RISK STATEMENT

10.1. RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone".

Sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

(a) They are aware of the inherent risks involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risks 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 organising authority 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.

10.2. [NP] [DP] COVID Statement

By taking part in the event, 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/organising authority/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.

11. INSURANCE

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

12. PRIZES

A prize giving will take place following completion of racing on Sunday 5th June 2022.

13. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact Scott Logan, vicecommodore@elyc.org.uk.