

## 1 GENERAL

- a) These Sailing Instructions (SIs) provide specific details for Races 4 & 5 of the SORC Inshore Series, and apply in conjunction with the SORC 2017 Notice of Race including General Conditions, version 1.0 dated January 2017.
- b) At all times, including whilst on passage to the start and after the finish, boats shall comply with the Port of Southampton Byelaws and Cowes Harbour General Directions (see [http://www.southamptonvts.co.uk/Port\\_Information/Regulations/Byelaws/](http://www.southamptonvts.co.uk/Port_Information/Regulations/Byelaws/) and [http://www.cowesharbourcommission.co.uk/general\\_directions](http://www.cowesharbourcommission.co.uk/general_directions)). Particular attention is drawn to the regulations relating to the Port of Southampton Precautionary Area.
- c) Yachts shall not anchor or kedge within the area defined by the two lines denoting power cables and gas pipes between Stone Point and Gurnard Bay as shown on Admiralty chart 2036.
- d) All positions given use WGS84 and are approximate. All times are in BST.

## 2 COMMUNICATIONS

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## 3 CLASSES AND START TIMES

- a) Each yacht shall carry her class and SORC pennants on her backstay. Classes and class flags are expected to be as follows:

Class 1	IRC-rated boats with TCC of 0.990 or higher	NP1 and SORC pennant
Class 2	IRC-rated boats with TCC of 0.989 or lower	NP2 and SORC pennant
Class 3	Boats without an IRC rating	NP3 and SORC pennant

- b) It is intended to give a time check on VHF Channel 72 [preferred] or Channel 77 [back-up] at 30 minutes before the first expected start. This will normally be GPS time; however, in the event of discrepancy, the time announced by the RC will take priority.
- c) Starts will use a 5-4-1-go sequence. Anticipated times are shown in Appendix A.
- d) Changes to anticipated start times will if possible be notified via SMS or email by 2000 on the evening before the race and will be announced on VHF after the time check and at 20 and 15 minutes before the first start.
- e) Starting signals and recalls will be made on VHF and not signalled visually, changing RRS 26, 29 and 30.
- f) If conditions are unsuitable for the planned start, boats may be directed to motor to a different start area at a speed of not less than 5.5 knots and must try to stay together. The Race Committee may start the race at any time using the procedures specified in NoR Appendix 1.

#### 4 COURSE

- a) It is intended to set courses appropriate to the conditions on the day and lasting around 4 to 6 hours for an IRC TCC of 1.000.
- b) The courses will use marks from the SCRA Solent Mark Codes 2017 - In Zones list dated 06 Feb 2017(see [www.SCRA.org.uk](http://www.SCRA.org.uk)) and the list below:

Mark	Approx. position
FP Wych Farm	50° 40.30N, 01° 52.46W
Ledge Buoy	50° 41.50N, 01° 41.60W
Mid Bay Buoy	50° 43.00N, 01° 42.00W
Poole Bay Wave Buoy	50° 38.02N, 01° 43.13W
Rig Buoy	50° 43.00N, 01° 39.50W

- c) All marks are rounding marks unless otherwise stated.
- d) It is intended to send the course via SMS, if possible by 2000 on the evening before each race, and to announce the course on VHF after the time check. In exceptional circumstances, the course may differ from that given out the previous evening.

#### 5 FINISHING AND SHORTENING COURSE

- a) The finish will be announced with the course.
- b) There is no time limit.
- c) Competitors must take their own finish time.
- d) Amending RRS 32.2, 'SORC RACE CONTROL' or a nominated competitor may shorten the course by announcement on VHF identifying the new finish mark and bearing. In this event, take your own time when the finish mark is at the required bearing.
- e) You are reminded that bearings are taken from the normal helming position.

#### 6 DECLARATION, RETIREMENT AND REPORTING

See Notice of Race including General Conditions Section 14.

#### 7 SCORING, RESULTS AND PRIZES

- a) Results will be published on the SORC website as soon as possible after each day's racing.
- b) An informal prize giving will be held after Race 4.

## Appendix A: Race Schedule

<b>Inshore Series Race 4 - Sat 30 September</b> HW Portsmouth      0813 BST	
<i>Timings</i>	Classes 2 & 3: Warning signal 0855, start 0900 Class 1: Warning signal 0910, start 0915
<i>Identity gate</i>	No earlier than 40 minutes before the scheduled start, each yacht, as draft permits, must pass between the beach and the mooring buoys in the vicinity of the starting line in an East to West direction with the skipper wearing a lifejacket and harness and receive visual acknowledgement.
<i>Start line</i>	The Lisburne line, between a flagstaff flying a SORC flag and Gurnard Buoy (3U). The flagstaff is behind the race box about 50 metres to the east of the New Holmwood Hotel, Egypt Point.
<i>Course</i>	As notified per SI 4d).
<i>Finish line</i>	The finish line is between MS Amlin (1C), a yellow racing mark at 50° 40.31N, 01° 54.02W and a point 100 metres from the buoy on a bearing of 180° magnetic. Record your finish time when 1C is to starboard and bears 0° magnetic.
<i>Time limit</i>	None

<b>Inshore Series Race 5 - Sun 1 October</b> HW Portsmouth      0926 BST	
<i>Timings</i>	<i>All Classes:</i> Warning signal 1055, start 1100
<i>Start line</i>	It is intended to start outside Poole harbour using the competitor start boat procedures specified in NoR Appendix 1.
<i>Course</i>	As sent out and announced as per SI 4d).
<i>Finish line</i>	The finish line extends 100m on a bearing of 150° from Craftinsure buoy (3C) at 50° 45.64N, 01° 23.12W unless the course specifies a different buoy. Record your finish time when the buoy is within 100 metres to port and bears 330° magnetic. Note if possible the boats immediately in front and behind and their approximate finishing times. If included in the course, the race may be shortened at North Head buoy (1K) at 50° 42.69N, 01° 35.52W. Take your own time when the buoy bears 150° magnetic even if the course is not shortened.
<i>Time limit</i>	None