



**Inshore Series Races 6 & 7
Yarmouth & Back
Sat 14 & Sun 15 September 2024
Sailing Instructions**

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1 GENERAL

- a) These Sailing Instructions (SIs) provide specific details for races 6 & 7 and apply in conjunction with the SORC 2024 Notice of Race 1.0 dated November 2023 and General Sailing Instructions 1.0 dated March 2024.
- b) At all times, including whilst on passage to the start and after the finish, boats shall comply with the Port of Southampton Byelaws (http://www.southamptonvts.co.uk/Port_Information/Regulations/Byelaws/), Cowes Harbour General Directions (http://www.cowesharbourcommission.co.uk/general_directions) and King's Harbour Master Portsmouth General Directions (<https://www.royalnavy.mod.uk/khm/portsmouth/local-notice>). Particular attention is drawn to the regulations relating to the Port of Southampton Precautionary Area and Direction relating to the Exclusion Zone for underway warships.
- c) 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 flags are expected to be as follows

Class 1	Solo IRC rated boats with TCC of 0.975 or higher	NP1 and SORC pennant
Class 2	Solo IRC rated boats with TCC of 0.974 or lower	NP2 and SORC pennant
Class 3	Solo boats without an IRC rating	NP3 and SORC pennant
Class 4	Double handed IRC rated boats	NP4 and SORC pennant
Class 5	Double handed boats without an IRC rating	NP5 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.

4 COURSE

- a) It is intended to set courses of about 4-6 hours duration appropriate to the conditions on the day, with Race 7 finishing off Yarmouth and Race 7 starting off Yarmouth and finishing in the western or central Solent.
- b) The courses will use marks from the SCRA Solent Mark Designations dated 05 Feb 2024 (see <https://www.scra.org.uk/solent-marks/solent-marks2>).
- 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 confirm it 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 in hours, minutes and seconds.
- 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 General Conditions Section 7.

7 SCORING, RESULTS AND PRIZES

- a) Results will be published on the SORC website as soon as possible after racing.
- b) An informal prize giving will be held after racing on Saturday 14 September.

Appendix A: Race Schedule

Inshore Series Race 6 - Sat 14 September			
HW Portsmouth 0926			
Timings	Classes 4 & 5	Classes 2 & 3	Class 1
Warning	0955	1005	1015
Preparatory	0956	1006	1016
1 minute	0959	1009	1019
Start	1000	1010	1020
<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>	To be announced as per SI 4c).		
<i>Finish</i>	As notified with the course.		

Inshore Series Race 7 - Sun 15 September			
HW Portsmouth 1019			
Timings	All classes		
Warning	0955		
Preparatory	0956		
1 minute	0959		
Start	1000		
<i>Start line</i>	Unless otherwise specified with the course, the start is outside Yarmouth harbour using the Competitor Start Boat Procedure specified in the General Sailing Instructions.		
<i>Course</i>	To be announced as per SI 4c).		
<i>Finish</i>	Unless otherwise specified with the course, the finish line extends 100m on a bearing of 150° from Cowes Week 2026 buoy (3G) at 50°46.58N, 01°21.46W. 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.		