

ROYAL OCEAN RACING CLUB

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS PART 1

**RETIREMENTS AND NON-STARTERS MUST
PROMPTLY INFORM RACE HQ OR
PORTLAND COASTGUARD +44 (0)1305 760439**

**THE ATTENTION OF EVERY PERSON IS DRAWN TO SPECIAL REGULATION 1.02 AND TO THE
IMPORTANCE OF HAVING SUITABLE AND ADEQUATE PERSONAL INSURANCE**

**THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR A BOAT'S DECISION TO PARTICIPATE IN A RACE OR TO
CONTINUE RACING IS HERS ALONE. (RRS FUNDAMENTAL RULE 4)**

The instructions given in Part 1 shall apply except when modified in Part 2.

1.1 RULES

RRS 2009-2012 with RYA Prescriptions.

RORC General Conditions and race details in the RORC 2009 Programme (which comprises the RRS Notice of Race except when stated otherwise).

ISAF Offshore Special Regulations with RORC prescriptions printed in the RORC 2009 Programme (the Category for each race is stated in the RORC Programme).

OCEAN SAFETY IRC Rules Parts 1, 2, 3 (printed in the IRC Yearbook 2009)

Multihull Rules

One-design or other class or handicap rules where applicable.

Stability/Safety (SSS or STIX & AVS) screening numerals or equivalent see the SSS/STIX & AVS section in the 2009 RORC Programme.

These Sailing Instructions

When there is conflict succeeding items in the list above shall take precedence.

1.2 STATEMENT OF CHANGES TO RRS

The Notice of Race (the RORC 2009 Programme) changes the following Racing Rules of Sailing:-

Rule Changed	Subject	Reference	RORC 2009 Page no.
Race Signals	flag 'L'	General Condition 6(d)	48
41	VHF advice may not be outside help	General Condition 6(b)	47
45	off moorings late at start	General Condition 5(h) (ii) & (iii)	47
45, 47	taking shelter	General condition 5(h) (iii)	47
62	starting groups may split a class	Appendix II (b)	49
A2, A4, A9	scoring	Appendix III (b)	49
A3	scoring	Appendix I	48

1.3 START – KEEP CLEAR

Yachts whose preparatory signals have not been made shall keep clear of the starting line when other yachts are starting.

1.4 MARK UNSEEN

If a mark is not seen a yacht shall supply with the Declaration satisfactory evidence that the mark has been passed correctly.

1.5 APPROACH TO FINISH

In offshore races all yachts are particularly requested to set listening watch on VHF 72 (or other channel if advised in Part 2) from 5 miles off. When visibility is good it should not be necessary to call, but at night or in poor visibility advise "Ocean One" of approach. At all times be ready to assist with identification at the finish line and keep VHF watch until berthing.

1.6 SHIPPING

Yachts shall not hinder shipping. The attention of yachts is drawn to their obligations under the IRPCAS and (in the Solent) to the Southampton Harbour Byelaw 2003 No. 11.

Ian Loffhagen, Racing Manager

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You will need to be proposed and seconded by a member of the Club, and sponsored by a RORC Committee Member. Overseas applicants may be sponsored by the Commodore of their local Yacht Club. A Committee member is usually available at every RORC race, or introductions may be requested. A certificate of competency must be signed by the owner or person in charge of a qualifying race; if you are the owner this need not be signed.

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RORC JOINING CRITERIA

Candidates for Full Membership must have a good background of racing experience, and completed not less than 500 miles racing offshore including at least two

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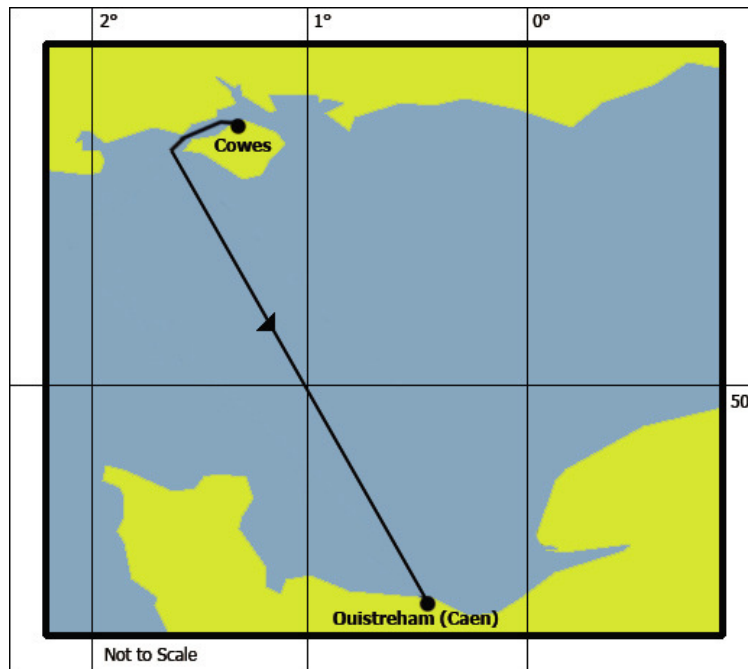
PART 2

15. BANK HOLIDAY RACE

Saturday 29th August
BANK HOLIDAY WEEKEND
First Warning Signal 0750
HW Portsmouth 0624 3.6m

Organised by the Royal Ocean Racing Club
in association with the Société des Régates Caen-Ouistreham
and the Royal Yacht Squadron.

All times BST except when stated otherwise
Positions are approximate in WGS84 datum



This diagram is an aid only and not a sailing instruction

**YACHTS RETIRING FROM THE RACE MUST IMMEDIATELY NOTIFY
RACE HQ +44 (0) 7825 007035 or PORTLAND COASTGUARD +44 (0) 1305 760439
Failure to comply may lead to exclusion from future RORC racing**

2.01 Modifications to Part 1

RRS part 2 will be replaced by Part B the Steering & Sailing rules of the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (IRPCAS) between 2000 and 0610.

2.02 Race Office

At the start: RORC Representative, RORC Office, Cowes

Tel: +44 (0) 1983 295144 or when available +44 (0) 7831 770 611

During the Race and at Finish: RORC Representative, c/o Société des Régates Caen-Ouistreham, Quai Georges Thierry (adjacent to lock), 14150 Ouistreham.

Tel: +33 (2) 3197 1305 **Fax:** +33 (2) 3196 3125 or when available +44 (0) 7825 007 035

2.03 Number of Persons Aboard

Each yacht shall **inform the identity gate boat** of the number of persons aboard. This information should not be transmitted to "Ocean One" on Ch 72.

2.04 Identity Gate

An identity gate will be established between **Snowden Buoy** (orange buoy with "X" top mark) in approximate position 50° 46'.25N 001° 17'.59W, about 1 cable SSE of Prince Consort buoy and a gate boat displaying a blue flag with a white seahorse and crown and white border over a yellow flag lying to the south of Snowden buoy.

The gate will be available from one hour before the first start until about 10 minutes after the last start or later at the discretion of the committee. Each yacht shall pass once through the gate from east to west, with her engine running and display her sail numbers and letters secured to the port lifelines **in addition display lifejackets and harnesses for each member of the crew (in accordance with Special Regulations 5.01 and 5.02)**. A yacht shall receive acknowledgement before starting.

PLEASE NOTE: For the assistance of the checking team, please display sail numbers secured to the lifelines at or forward of the main mast.

After the start when sail numbers are not displayed elsewhere (sails down) they shall be displayed **secured to the lifelines on the port quarter**.

2.05 Starting Line RYS

The starting line is formed by bringing the Royal Yacht Squadron flagstaff into line with the white line on the orange diamond on the Castle. (As an aid to competitors vertical light beams are installed at the RYS to identify the starting line transit. The intensity of the light beam increases as you approach the line but the lights are momentarily obscured by the forward mast when you are on the line. The lights are navigational aids only and do not constitute the starting line, nor will a start be postponed because of any failure of the equipment).

Outer limit: (which is not on the starting line) Williams Shipping buoy.

Inner limit: (which is not on the starting line) red/orange inflatable buoy up to 1 cable from the RYS flagstaff.

2.06 Southampton Harbour Byelaw 2003 No. 11

Competitors are reminded to maintain a constant watch for shipping movements, particularly in the Port of Southampton Precautionary Area. Your attention is drawn to the Port of Southampton Bye Law No. 11 (see Appendix A to these Sailing Instructions) which cover the movement of shipping and the accompanying sound signals that may be heard.

2.07 Start Times and Signals

All Classes Warning Flag Numeral 0	Event	Signals
0750	Warning	Warning flag displayed 1 sound
0755	Preparatory	Preparatory flag displayed 1 sound
0759	1 minute until start	Preparatory flag removed. 1 long sound
0800	Start	Warning flag removed. 1 sound

Radio at start:

Race Committee "Ocean One" on VHF 72. See RORC General Conditions 6 (b).

2.08 Course and Distance

Mark	Notes	Approximate Position
Bridge Lt By	Round to Port	50° 39'.63N 001° 36'.88W
Merville North Cardinal Mark and finish		49° 19'.65N 000° 13'.40W
Approx Dist. 110 miles		

2.09 Reporting

2.09.1 Reporting during the Race

The yachts listed below shall try to deliver progress reports during the race and particularly when mobile phone coverage is re-established on the approach to the finish.

Report to:

RORC Representative + 44 (0) 7799 620731 or +44 (0) 7825 007 035

IRC Z: NED46 Tonnerre de Breskens
IRC Z: GBR1293R Batfish III
IRC 1: GBR8972T Inseyandra
IRC 2: GBR979R Malice
IRC 2: GBR1090L Aria
IRC 3: GBR195 Clarionet
IRC 3: GBR3921 Cosmic Dancer III

Progress reports should include:

- Name of yacht
- Date/time (BST)/exact position
- ETA Finish
- Names of up to 3 yachts nearby

2.09.2 Reporting in a Slow Race

Competitors are reminded of General Condition 5(e).

When during an offshore race such time has elapsed that a yacht can at best achieve an average speed at the finish of less than 4 knots, she shall make every effort to inform the Race Office at the finish or HM Coastguard Portland Tel: +44(0)1305 760439 of her position and progress, and shall continue to do so at reasonable intervals until she reports finishing or retiring.

2.10 Approach to Finish - VHF

All yachts are particularly requested to set listening to VHF 72 from 5 miles from the finish.

At night or in poor visibility yachts should assist with identification at the finish line by calling "Ocean One".

2.11 Finish Line

The finishing line runs due east magnetic from Merville North Cardinal Mark (white quick flash) at approximately 49° 19'.65N 000° 13'.39W for approximately half a cable.

A Committee Vessel (which may be a Grand Banks 36 Classic called Saint Laurent) may be on station indicating the eastern end of the line approximately half a cable to the east of Merville North Cardinal Mark (displaying a RORC blue flag with white seahorse, crown and border by day, flashing orange light at night).

If the Committee Vessel ("Ocean One") is not on station cross the line not more than 1 cable from the buoy taking your own time when the buoy is on a bearing of 270° magnetic and promptly text / telephone the RORC Representative on +44 (0) 7825 007 035 or +44(0) 7799 620 731

Yachts are reminded to take their own finishing times together with the names of the yachts, if any, ahead and astern. Finishing times shall be delivered to RORC as soon as possible.

2.12 Declarations

Competitors are reminded that under General Condition 7(a) they are required to complete a Declaration Form. Yachts shall complete a Declaration Form and submit it to the Race Committee as soon as possible after the race. In the event of a yacht not entering the finish port the Declaration Form may be emailed to bb@rorc.org.uk or posted to the RORC. Every member of the crew shall sign the Declaration Form. **Failure to comply with this rule may result in the yacht being excluded from the results.**

2.13 Retirements and non-starters must promptly inform Race HQ

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NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

(Notices are for information and do not rank as Sailing Instructions)

1. **Prizegiving** – In Ouistreham as soon as possible after the race.
RORC Medallions will be presented on Tuesday 8th September 1930 at the Clubhouse, 20 St James's Place, London SW1. All crews welcome.
2. **Berthing, Mooring and Customs**
On arrival contact should be made with the Lockmaster on VHF 12 (call sign "Caen Port"). For advice on berthing and mooring contact the Marina on VHF 9. Yachts may be met on arrival by Customs.
3. **Lock Times (local time – BST +1)**
Saturday 29th August Approximate lock opening times: 1906, 2051, 2220
Sunday 30th August Approximate lock opening times: 0500, 0630, 0815
Ouistreham Port VHF 68, Ouistreham Lock VHF12. For more information see <http://www.ouistreham-plaisance.com/>
4. **Travel details**
By Ferry: Brittany Ferries: Portsmouth – Caen (Ouistreham). Travel time is approximately 6 hrs.
Tel: +44 (0) 8705 360 360 Web: www.brittanyferries.com

RORC August 2009.

**APPENDIX A
ASSOCIATED BRITISH PORTS SOUTHAMPTON
NOTICE TO MARINERS No 33 of 2003**

Port of Southampton – Precautionary Area (Thorn Channel)

1. **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that all vessels navigating within the Port of Southampton shall ensure that a vessel **greater than 220m** shall be given a 'clear channel' between Hook Buoy and the Prince Consort Buoy (Precautionary Area).

The term 'clear channel' is defined as: A clear channel vessel is one which requires a clear and unimpeded passage ahead when transiting the Precautionary Area.

Vessels may enter the Precautionary Area (see chartlet below) maintaining a safe distance astern of a 'clear channel' vessel.

- 2 Two vessels each having a length **greater than 180 metres** shall not pass or overtake each other between Hook Buoy and the Prince Consort Buoy.

3 **Moving Prohibited Zone (MPZ)**

The Southampton Harbour Byelaws 2003 (No 11) enforces the requirement that all vessels over 150 metres in length when navigating within the Precautionary Area referred to in this notice are automatically allocated a Moving Prohibited Zone (MPZ). The MPZ is an area extending 1000 metres ahead and 100 metres either side of any vessel **greater than 150 metres** within the Precautionary Area.

The master of a **small vessel** (less than 20 metres in length or a sailing vessel) shall ensure that his vessel does not enter a Moving Prohibited Zone.

For the purpose of indicating the presence of the Moving Prohibited Zone the master of any vessel of over 150 metres length overall shall display on the vessel, where it can best be seen, by day: a black cylinder, and by night: 3 all round red lights in a vertical line.

When operationally possible the Southampton Harbour patrol launch (VHF Call Sign "SP" Channel 12) will precede these vessels within the 'Precautionary Area' showing, in addition to the normal steaming lights a blue fixed light. The absence of the patrol launch will not invalidate the implementation of the moving prohibited zone.

