



Saltash Sailing Club

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J24 Autumn Cup 2020 (V2)

Saturday 17th & Sunday 18th October 2020

NOTICE OF RACE

1. Organising Authority

1.1. The organising authority will be Saltash Sailing Club.

2. Rules

2.1. Racing will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing, the Class Rules of the J24 Class Association, this Notice of Race (except as any of these may be altered by the Sailing Instructions) and the Sailing Instructions. In the event of any conflict, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail.

2.2. For this event crew numbers are restricted to 4 (including helm). In line with the RYA's latest guidance, 'RYA guidance on sailing and racing with participants from different households during the COVID-19 in England', it is the responsibility of the skipper to inform their crew of the latest RYA guidance and discuss the actions necessary to reduce the spread of the COVID-19 virus, bearing in mind the mitigating measures necessary when 'Social Distancing' is reduced to less than 2 metres.

2.3. The Dockyard Port of Plymouth Order (DPPO) and Plymouth Local Notice to Mariners (PLNTM) shall apply. In particular, regulations regarding the safe navigation of large vessels shall be strictly observed. When the Race committee believes that such regulations have been broken so as to bring the sport into disrepute it will act under RRS 60.2c requesting the Protest Committee to act under RRS 69.1, Allegations of Gross Misconduct. Details of DPPO and PLNTM are displayed on QHM Plymouth's website.

<http://www.qhm.mod.uk/plymouth/regulations/dppo>

3. Eligibility and Entry

3.1. The Regatta is open to members of the J24 Class Association.

- 3.2. Online entry is available on the SSC website www.saltashsailingclub.co.uk or from the SSC RC Sailing as below.
- 3.3. Offline entries and any correspondence regarding the regatta should be sent to: The RC Sailing. enquiries@saltashsailingclub.co.uk

4. Regatta Fee

- 4.1. The entry fee for the event will be £30. Completed entry forms together with the entry fee must be received by SSC not later than Friday 9th October. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Race Committee.

5. Regatta Schedule

5.1.

Friday 16 th October	Craning from Plymouth Yacht Haven Marina (up to 1700)
Saturday 17 th October	10.25 Race 1 Warning signal Up to 4 windward/leeward races scheduled. Additional 'Bottle Race' to Saltash SC
Sunday 18 th October	10.25 First Warning Signal 2 windward/leeward races scheduled. No warning signal will be made after 1300 hrs on the last day of the event. Recover boats at Yacht Haven Marina (from 1400) 16.00 Prize-giving (TBC)

- 5.2. The Race Committee reserves the right to alter the racing programme in the event of any races being abandoned or cancelled.

6. Crew

- 6.1. Crew numbers are limited to a maximum of 4 (including helm). There will be no weigh in.

7. Sailing Instructions

- 7.1. Sailing instructions will be available on the SSC website from Friday 9th October 2020.
- 7.2. Penalty - RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 7.3. Scoring System – The low point scoring system as detailed in RRS Appendix A

8. Course Area

8.1. Saturday 17th October

Up to 4 windward / leeward races will be sailed north of Plymouth Breakwater in Plymouth Sound.

An additional race of the day will be available for boats racing to Saltash Sailing Club as a 'Bottle Race' starting in Plymouth Sound and finishing at the Saltash Sailing Club finish line. Start times will be taken as boats cross the finish line of their final Windward/Leeward race. This race will not form part of the series result.

8.2. Sunday 18th September

2 windward / leeward races will be sailed north of Plymouth Breakwater in Plymouth Sound.

9. Prizes

9.1. Bottle prizes will be awarded for individual races and the Autumn Cup for the overall series winner.

10. Communication

10.1. All race communication will be via VHF Ch 10.

11. Mooring

11.1. Overnight (free) berthing on Friday 16th and Saturday 17th October will be available at Saltash Sailing Club alongside the club pontoon.

12. Disclaimer of Liability

12.1. Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone".

12.2. Sailing is by its nature 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 and omissions;
- d) their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;

- e) 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) provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
- 12.3. The fact that the race committee conducts inspections of a boat does not reduce their responsibilities of each competitor set out in this notice of race.

13. Insurance

- 13.1. The boat is required to hold adequate insurance and in particular to hold insurance against third party claims in the sum of at least £2,000,000.

14. Further Information

- 14.1. The following accommodation is available close to Saltash to book early:

China Fleet Club 01752 848668

Travelodge Saltash 08719 848484

- 14.2. Craning for visiting boats is available at Plymouth Yacht Haven Marina for £26 each way. For bookings and further information please contact Plymouth Yacht Haven Marina 01752 404231 referencing 'J24 Autumn Cup' and your boat name.

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1st October 2020