



RCYC Events Ltd

RCYC TRINITY RACE

(an element of the COGS Offshore Series 2023)

Saturday 19th August to Monday 21st August 2023

Organising Authority (OA): RCYC Events Ltd¹,
Falmouth, Cornwall

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2021 – 2024*. The sailing instructions may change racing rules.
- 1.2 IRC Rules 2021 Parts A, B and C, except rule 22.4, will apply. There will be no limitations on crew number or weight.
- 1.3 World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations 2022-2023 will apply. The regatta is classified “Category 3 with Category 2 Life-raft”.
- 1.4 Local regulations will apply concerning safe navigation in close proximity to large vessels constricted in their ability to manoeuvre and dive vessels. Full details will be given in the sailing instructions.
- 1.5 In the event of a conflict between this notice of race and the sailing instructions then the sailing instructions will prevail. This changes RRS 63.7.

2. ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to monohull boats that:
 - (a) Are seaworthy boats with hull length (*World Sailing Equipment Rules of Sailing 2021 – 2024, paragraph D3.1*) between 7.85m and 18.5m inclusive.
 - (b) Are sailed fully crewed or two-handed.
 - (c) Have a current and valid IRC primary certificate or short-handed certificate, or SWYTC (YTC) certificate on 18th August 2023. Changes to the IRC rating or YTC number will not be permitted after this date except as a result of a rating protest or to correct rating officer errors.
 - (d) Have, in the case of boats having a IRC rating as per paragraph 3.1 (c) above, either a minimum SSS number of 15 or a minimum STIX value of 23 and an AVS value of at least 130-0.005m, where m = minimum sailing weight in kilogrammes. Boats with a series date of 2000 or later will be categorised by STIX only; boats with a series date earlier than 2000 may be categorised by either method. (See

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<https://www.sailing.org/inside-world-sailing/rules-regulations/offshore-special-regulations/> for guidance).

- (e) Have, in the case of YTC monohulls, stability and buoyancy properties enabling them to be assigned to Design Category B of ISO 12217-2:2013.
 - (f) Are registered with the RYA SafeTrx system. Boats shall not submit the race as a SafeTrx journey; it is only necessary for boat details to be held on the SafeTrx database.
- 3.2 All entries to be submitted on-line at <https://www.royalcornwallyachtclub.org/cogs-races/> prior to Friday 18th August 2023.
- 3.3 Competitors should note that an entry is not complete until:
- (a) The entry fee has been paid in full
 - (b) A copy of the YTC or IRC certificate has been submitted to the OA
 - (c) A fully completed crew list has been submitted. The crew list shall identify the designated “deputy person-in-charge” should the person-in-charge become incapacitated, and shall contain full emergency contact details. The form is available for download at <https://www.royalcornwallyachtclub.org/cogs-races/>
 - (d) A fully completed parental (or guardian) consent form and declaration has been submitted for crew aged 18 or under. The form is available for download at <https://www.royalcornwallyachtclub.org/cogs-races/>

4. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 4.1 Racing is scheduled to take place as follows:

Date	Activity	Time	Location
Saturday 19 th August 2023	IRC warning signal	1055	Start area
	YTC warning signal	1100	
Monday 21 st August 2023	Race time limit	0800	
	Deadline for submitting finish declarations	1000	RCYC
	Prize-giving – venue and time to be advised		

5. FEES

- 5.1 The entry fee for the regatta is £35.
- 5.2 Refunds (less an administration charge of £10) will only be given if cancellation is received by 1500 on Thursday 17th August.

6. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

The OA may inspect boats and equipment for compliance with the rules of the regatta. Inspections will take place in Falmouth before the start and after finishing.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be posted on-line at <https://www.royalcornwallyachtclub.org/cogs-races/> before midday on Wednesday 16th August.

8. VENUE AND COURSES

- 8.1 The regatta office will be situated at the RCYC.
- 8.2 The start area will be in Falmouth Bay, or within the mouth of the Fal estuary.
- 8.3 Courses will be around Eddystone and Wolf Rock lighthouses (or reverse) or Race Officer’s choice, as described in the sailing instructions.
- 8.4 The finish line will be at the RCYC or as described in the sailing instructions.

9. BERTHING

- 9.1 Visiting boats will need to arrange their own berthing before and after the race.
- 9.2 Berthing is available at:
Port Pendennis Marina (www.portpendennis.com).
Falmouth Haven Marina (www.falmouthhaven.co.uk/moorings/introduction).
Falmouth Marina (www.premiermarinas.com/pages/falmouthmarina).
- 9.3 Visitors swinging moorings are also available in Falmouth inner harbour (www.falmouthhaven.co.uk/moorings/introduction).

10. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 10.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
- 10.2 The race committee may make use of VHF channel 72 to make announcements to competitors, including during the pre-start period. Any announcement, or failure to make an announcement, shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

11. PRIZES

- 11.1 Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places in each class.
- 11.2 Additional prizes may be awarded to boats sailed two-handed in the IRC and YTC classes.

12. RISK STATEMENT

- 12.1 Rule 3 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 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 event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.
- 12.3 The fact that the race committee conducts inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this notice of race.

13. 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. Competitors will be required to sign a declaration to this effect at registration.

14. MEDIA RIGHTS

Competitors and/or their guardians automatically grant to the OA and to any party to which they may delegate this right, without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show (including via the Internet), any motion pictures, still pictures, live, taped or filmed television or any other form of media, of or relating to the event.

15. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information governing the race please visit www.royalcornwallyachtclub.org or contact the regatta office (+44 (0)1326 312126) or fax (+44(0)1326 211614) or email sailing@royalcornwallyachtclub.org.

Attachment

VENUE



1. Royal Cornwall Yacht Club
2. Port Pendennis Marina
3. Falmouth Yacht Haven
4. Falmouth Marina