



11<sup>th</sup> May 2024

ROYAL DEE Yacht Club

# Round Anglesey Race

Race Committee provided by Menai Bridge Boat club.

- The Event will be governed by the rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing. [RRS]
- All yachts and equipment shall conform to the World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations Category 4 governing minimum standards of equipment and accommodation. A hand-held VHF radio and a mobile phone shall be carried, and the phone number logged with the Race Officer before the race.
- From sunset to sunrise Rules in RRS Part 2 are replaced by the right of way rules of the International Regulations for Preventing of Collision at Sea

## 1. Entries

Competitors may enter by delivering a completed entry form and paying the £35 entry fee before the race. Entries on the day shall be accepted at the Starting Building on Beaumaris Green in the hour before the start.

## 2. Notices to Competitors

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at [racingrulesofsailing.org](http://racingrulesofsailing.org) under the event title.

## 3. Schedule and Race Flags

The Race will circumnavigate Anglesey in a non-stop race. PY / YTC may finish in Holyhead.

The races will be sailed as four classes.

All competitors shall display on the backstay the code flag allotted to their respective Class, at all times, when racing rules apply.

Class 1. Fast IRC will fly code flag

Numeral 1.

Class 2. Slow IRC will fly code flag

Numeral 2.

Class 3. RYA Old Portsmouth Yardstick\* the RYA YTC or preferably will fly code flag

Numeral 3.

Class 4. Multihull will fly code flag

Numeral 4.

Warning Signals will be displayed (Class Flag)

Start Class flag removed.

1125 Class1

1130

1125 Class2

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1130 Class3

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1035 Class4

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- ## 4. Contact Number
- A contact number for the race should be left with the Race Officer for the purpose of position finding especially during light weather and retirements]

**Approximately 30 min before reaching the finishing line at Beaumaris boats shall contact 0797 194 0071 to alert the officers**

## 5. Racing Area

The racing area will be Around Anglesey.

## 6. Course and Marks

From Start Line at Beaumaris, South-westwards through the Menai Strait and South about Anglesey, leaving Penmon Perch to Port thence to finish at Beaumaris. Minimum Distance 64 nautical miles.

For the PY and or YTC class there is an alternative HSC finish. See below

## 7. Starting Lines

Beaumaris: i:- Prolongation of an imaginary line formed by two flag poles in transit on Beaumaris Green and limited by two orange marks (ODM) moored in the Swatchway approximately on the transit line.

## 8. Finishing Lines

Beaumaris:- as starting line

HSC: A prolongation of the transit formed by the HSC Club flagpole and the pole on the promenade bearing a red diamond top mark. Yachts shall finish between the Breakwater and an inner distance mark, which shall be an orange buoy (if laid).

## 9. Time Limit (Amending Rule 35)

- a) Time limit will be 24 hours, provided that when the first boat finishes within the time limit, the time limit will become 25 hours.
- b) If no yacht has crossed the finishing line, the Sailing Committee may at their discretion, place and award prizes to yachts in the order in which they passed a point on the course, chosen by the Race Officer

#### **10. Protests (Amending Rule 61)**

Oral notice of intention to protest shall be made either by radio immediately on crossing the finish line or as soon as possible thereafter to the R.O. or an official of the Menai Bridge Boat Club, or RDYC, and a formal notice in writing shall be submitted electronically using [Racingrulesofsailing.org](http://Racingrulesofsailing.org). Protest committee shall be convened, if necessary, at the Royal Anglesey Y.C. and details shall be placed on the Official Notice board on RRS.

#### **11. Scoring**

The Low Point System of Appendix A of the racing rules will apply.

#### **12. Safety**

- a) A radio watch will be maintained on VHF channel 16 by the race organizers. Under heavy weather conditions boats are asked to keep a listening watch on dual channels 16 and 37/M1.
- b) Entrants shall conform to the safety regulations appropriate to their class association and may be subject to scrutiny.
- c) Competitors should listen to the forecast transmitted on channel 37/M1 at 0900 by the race officer.
- d) Boats with an AIS tracker shall have it operational throughout the Race.

#### **13. Retirement**

The owner of any yacht retiring must inform the Race Officer as soon as possible by VHF radio on channel 37/M1 or telephone 07971940071 (or 07973228636)

#### **14. Sail Numbers [Amending RRS Appendix G]**

Excepting after special written permission from the Race Officer, sail numbers on mainsail, and spinnaker if carried, shall conform to those declared on entry. Duplicate sail numbers in the same class shall not be acceptable.

#### **15. RRS 52 [Manual Power] Will be deleted.**

#### **16. Class 3**

Will race under the Old Portsmouth Yardstick\* and can be altered by the MBBC Race Committee. The race committee would prefer to transition the race to RYA YTC, a free handicap system. Please see [ytc.rorcrating.com](http://ytc.rorcrating.com) or phone 07973228636 to discuss.

#### **17. General – Risk Statement**

RRS 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." 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 and will carry adequate lifesaving equipment for all persons on board.
- c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omission.
- d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate. 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.
- e) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can
- f) practically be provided in the circumstances.
- g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue of event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.
- h) Their boat is adequately insured, with cover of at least £3,000,000 against third party claims.