



RNSA

Royal Naval Sailing Association

(Plymouth Branch)

Notice of Race

St Peter Port race 25 May 2018

1 RULES

- 1.1 The race will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Racing rule(s) 26, 52, & A2 will be changed. The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.
- 1.3 The World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations (**OSR**) **Category 3** shall apply depending on class entered. (www.sailing.org/specialregs). Additionally, boats shall carry a life raft **in accordance with World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations 4.20.2**.
- 1.4 These race will also contribute towards the 2018 Ullman Offshore series administered by the PPSA.
- 1.5 Where yachts are racing within the boundaries of a port, they shall comply with such regulations that may be in force within that port. In particular, regulations regarding interference with the safe navigation of large vessels must be strictly observed. Any breach of such regulations may result in the yacht concerned being disqualified from the race in which she was sailing at the time or, if the breach is considered serious, such other races as the Race Committee may decide. Attention is drawn to the Dockyard Port of Plymouth Order (DPPO) 1999 and to Plymouth Local Notice to Mariners. Copies are displayed on the RWYC notice board, slipways and QHM's website at www.qhmplymouth.org.uk

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1.1 **IRC Division** - For monohull boats holding a valid International Rating Certificate (IRC) issued by the RORC a copy of which shall be attached to the entry form.
- 2.1.2 **PORT HANDICAP DIVISION Division** - for monohull boats rated as "cruisers" under the PORT HANDICAP DIVISION Scheme as administered by the Port of Plymouth Sailing Association.
- 2.1.3 **PORT HANDICAP DIVISION Two handed Division** - for monohull boats rated as "cruisers" under the PORT HANDICAP DIVISION Scheme as administered by

the Port of Plymouth Sailing Association and racing with only two people onboard.

2.1.4 PORT HANDICAP DIVISION White sail Division - for monohull boats rated as “cruisers” under the PORT HANDICAP DIVISION Scheme as administered by the Port of Plymouth Sailing Association and racing using only white sails, ie no spinnaker.

2.1.5 MORC Multihulls - for multihulls as administered by the Port of Plymouth Sailing Association.

2.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the attached form and sending it, together with the required fee to:

Email: RNSA.offshore@gmail.com **Phone:** 07840972344 or 01752 509208

2.3 Late entries will be accepted up **until 36 hours** before the start of the race. Entries submitted **after 0800A 24 May 2018** may be accepted at the discretion of the race officer.

3 FEES

Required fees are as follows:

	Early bird Entry Fee Before 1800 Sunday 20 May	Entry Fee Up to 36 Hours before start
Plymouth to St Peter Port Friday 25 May	£15	£25

4 SCHEDULE

Date	Race	First Warning signal
Friday 25 May	Plymouth To St Peter Port	1855

There will be a reception and prize giving event on the Sunday afternoon after the race, further details will be promulgated in the SIs.

5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

5.1 The sailing instructions will be available no less than 72 hours before the start of each event. They will be posted on the RNSA website under the ‘Branches section’ (www.rnsa.org.uk). They will also be emailed directly to the email address given on the entry form.

5.2 Last minute changes to the sailing instructions will be promulgated by VHF (Channel 72) immediately prior to the warning signal for the race, in which case flag L will be flown from the starting hut.

6 THE COURSES

6.1 The courses will be described in the sailing instructions issued for the race.

6.2 The races will be started, and signals made ashore will be displayed from, the RNSA flagstaff at the RN/RM Sailing Centre, Stonehouse Camber, located at the western corner of the entrance to Millbay Docks, Plymouth.

7 BERTHING

The OA will make the harbour authorities / marinas at St Peter port aware of the event and the number of yachts expected for berthing. Finding a berth / mooring is each yacht's responsibility.

8 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Yachts shall be equipped with a working VHF capable, as a minimum, of receiving and transmitting on Channels 6, 16 and 72. **VHF 72 will be the primary VHF channel.**

9 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded at the RNSA prize giving for each Division/Class in proportion to the number of starters as follows:

1-5 entries	1st
6-10 entries	1st, 2nd.
11+ entries	1st, 2nd, 3rd.

10 RISK STATEMENT

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." 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, other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- F. The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically 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 or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.
- H. **They are responsible for ensuring that their boat is equipped and seaworthy so as to be able to face extremes of weather; that there is a crew sufficient in number, experience and fitness to withstand such weather; and that the safety equipment is properly maintained, stowed and in date and is familiar to the crew.**

11 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.

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FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact RNSA Plymouth offshore Rep Edward Pearson via Email: (rnsa.offshore@gmail.com).

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