

ROYAL FORTH YACHT CLUB
FESTIVAL SERIES
3 to 5 AUGUST 2010
NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

1.2 The prescriptions of the RYA will apply.

1.3 The following racing rules will be changed;

- Part 4 Preamble; Flag Y may be displayed from the shore based mast in which case wearing life jackets or other adequate personal buoyancy will be required at all times afloat.
- Rule 35 and A4; Pre-set time limit and extension will be stated
- Rule 60.1; Breaches of certain instructions will not be grounds for a protest by a boat.
- Rule 61.3; Protest time limit, the same time limit (60 minutes) applies to protests by the race committee and protest committee about incidents they observe in the racing area and to requests for redress
- Rule 62.2; Request for redress will be made within the time limit.
- Appendix A4; A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start.

The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions.

1.4 Handicaps;

Keelboats: As per the Forth Yacht Clubs Association Handicap List. Any boat without a FYCA Handicap will be allocated a temporary handicap by the Race Committee. Boats entering under a “white sail” classification (i.e. boats must not fly spinnakers, cruising chutes or more than one headsail at any one time. Headsails may be poled out) must indicate this on the entry form and will be allocated a “white sail” handicap allowance of 4% by the Race Committee.

Dinghies: The RYA Portsmouth Yardstick Scheme as listed in the current RYA YR/2 or on the RYA website will be used. Boats without a Portsmouth Number will be allocated a Number by use of the Trial Number method described in paragraph 7.3 of the current YR2. Portsmouth numbers will not be adjusted during the series.

1.5 Safety Regulations;

Keelboats: All boats must comply with FYCA Safety Regulations Category 4R.

2 ADVERTISING

Advertising may be displayed in accordance with ISAF Code 20.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1 The regatta is open to all mono hull keelboats, sportboats, dayboats and dinghies.

3.2 There will be two Keelboat Classes: Fast Handicap (999 & below) & Slow Handicap (1000 & above), which will share a combined start. There will be one Dinghy Class.

3.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the attached form and sending it, together with the required fee, before 1800 hours on Tuesday 3 August 2010 (or before 12 noon on Wednesday 28 July 2010 for “white sail” entries) to; Sailing Secretary, Royal Forth Yacht Club, Middle Pier, Granton Harbour, Granton, Edinburgh, EH5 1HF

3.4 The Organisers reserve the right to combine, divide or change any classes as they see fit.

4 CLASSIFICATION

The ISAF Sailor Classification Code will apply.

5 FEES

5.1 The entry fee for the regatta is £15 (keelboats and two handed dinghies) and single-handed dinghies £10, with Free Entry for youths in two or single-handed dinghies. Cheques should be made payable to “Royal Forth Yacht Club”

5.2 Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the Race Officer.

6 SCHEDULE

6.1 Dates, Number of races and warning signal for the first class to start in the sequence:

- Tuesday 3 August 2010 – Race 1, warning signal 1855 hours.
- Wednesday 4 August 2010 – Race 2, warning signal 1855 hours.
- Thursday 5 August 2010 – Race 3, warning signal 1855 hours.

- 7 **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**
Sailing Instructions will be available for collection from the Race Officer or may be available on the RFYC website: www.rfyc.org
- 8 **RACING AREA**
8.1 Racing will take place within a 3 mile radius of Granton harbour.
- 9 **THE COURSES**
9.1 Windward/leeward type courses will be sailed.
- 10 **SCORING**
10.1 2 series races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
10.2 When 2 or 3 series races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 11 **BERTHING & CRANAGE**
Keelboats: Boats may be berthed at the Edinburgh Marina pontoon (subject to availability), on moorings within Granton Harbour or dry sailed. The fee for berthing at the Edinburgh Marina pontoon is not included in the entry fee.

Cranage is available to boats, subject to tidal conditions (maximum 4 tons, maximum height clearance 13ft). The fee for use of the crane is not included in the entry fee.
- 12 **PRIZES**
Overall; Class not exceeding 3 boats: 1st prize
 Class with 4 to 6 boats: 1st and 2nd prizes
 Class with 7 or more boats: 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes

Individual Races; 1st prize for each class

A Prizegiving & Buffet will be held after racing on Thursday 5th August.
- 13 **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**
Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

A boat is entirely responsible for her own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing, whether in the Notice of race or Sailing Instructions or anywhere else, reduces this responsibility.

It is for the boat to decide whether she is fit to sail in the conditions in which she will find herself. By launching or going to sea, the boat confirms that she is fit for those conditions and her crew is competent to sail and compete in them.

Nothing done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of the boat nor will it make the organisers responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury, however it may have occurred, as a result of the boat taking part in the racing. The organisers encompass everyone helping to run the race and the event, and include the organising authority, the race committee, the race officer, patrol boats and beachmasters.

The provision of patrol boats does not relieve the boat of her responsibilities.
- 14 **INSURANCE**
Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2M per event or the equivalent.
- 15 **FURTHER INFORMATION**
For further information please contact;
Royal Forth Yacht Club
Tel: 0131 552 8560
Email: royalforth@btconnect.com

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ENTRY FORM

Surname:	First Name:
Postal Address: Postcode:	Club:
email:	
Telephone: H. M.	Date of Birth: (if under 18)
Boat Name:	Sail No:
Class/Type:	Handicap:
Hull Colour:	Dinghies only Name of crew:

I agree to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and all other rules that govern this event. In particular I have read Sections 13 and 14 of the Notice of Race and confirm that I agree to its provisions and that my boat will conform to its requirements throughout the event.

Keelboats & Two-handed dinghies: £15 (youths free)

Single-handed dinghies: £10 (youths free) *please tick as appropriate*

Cheques should be made payable to RFYC.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Office Use Only

Amount Received: £ _____ Cheque/Cash/DebitCard/CreditCard (delete as required)