

East Lothian Yacht Club Open Regatta



Organising Authority – East Lothian Yacht Club

1st and 2nd June 2024

North Berwick

NOTICE OF RACE

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1. RULES

The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available at <https://elyc.org.uk/regatta24>. The sailing instructions may change some RRS.

3. COMMUNICATION

3.1. The online official notice board is located at <https://elyc.org.uk/regatta24>.

3.2. [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. The event is open to all boats belonging to, or under the control of, members of the RYA or members of clubs affiliated to the RYA.
- 4.2. Classes with 5 or more entries may qualify for a separate start. It is anticipated that separate starts will be provided for the following: GP14 (Scottish Champs), RS Aero (Scottish Champs), Streaker (Scottish Champs), ILCA/Laser (Scottish Masters), Enterprise, OK, National 12, RS200, RS400, Scottish Skiffs (Musto Skiff, RS800, 29er, etc.), Topper, Feva, Optimist, and handicap fleet(s).
- 4.3. The Portsmouth Yardstick applies to boats racing under handicap.
- 4.4. Boats must enter the event by registering online at <https://elyc.org.uk/regatta24>.
- 4.5. **Entry will close on Friday 31st May at 5pm. Late entries will be entirely at the discretion of the organising authority.**
- 4.6. Any competitors aged under 18 shall complete a Parental Disclosure Form, Photography Consent Form and a Medical Consent Form. These will be available online during registration.
- 4.7. To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.8. There will be an entry limit of 150 boats.

5. FEES

- 5.1. Entry fees are as follows:

	Early Bird (ends 3rd May)	Standard (from 4th May)
Single hander	£35	£40
Double hander	£40	£45

- 5.2. If the organising authority cancels the event for any reason prior to 1st June a full refund will be issued.

6. SCHEDULE

- 6.1. There will be no in person registration but all boats should collect a trolley tally from the beachmaster's tent at the dinghy park and attach to the boat's trolley before launching.
- 6.2. There will be a competitor briefing on Saturday 1st June at 1115hrs outside the clubhouse.

6.3. The schedule for racing is as follows:

Date	First Warning Signal	Number of Races
Saturday 1 st June	1256hrs	Up to 4 (*see 6.5)
Sunday 2 nd June	1056hrs	Up to 4

6.4. 6 races are scheduled.

6.5. Selected classes may be invited to participate in an additional Bass Rock race, which may run on Saturday 1st June after the series racing has been completed for the day.

6.6. On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1500hrs.

7. VENUE

7.1. The racing areas will be off the coast of North Berwick. Three racing areas are available:

7.1.1. between the islands of The Lamb and Craigleith,

7.1.2. between the islands of Craigleith and Bass Rock, and

7.1.3. between the watch hut on the shore and the island of Craigleith.

8. THE COURSES

8.1. The courses will be described in the sailing instructions and may include windward-leeward, trapezoid, triangular courses and a course up to the Bass Rock.

8.2. Line starts are intended.

9. SCORING

9.1. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

9.2. When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

9.3. When four or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

9.4. This changes RRS A2.

10. RISK STATEMENT

10.1. RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone".

Sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

- 10.2. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:
- (a) They are aware of the inherent risks involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risks 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 organising authority 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 or information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.

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.

12. PRIVACY STATEMENT

The personal information you provide to the organizing authority will be used to facilitate your participation in the event. If you have agreed to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and the other rules that govern the event (the rules), the legal basis for processing that personal information is contract. If you are not bound by the rules, the legal basis for processing that personal information is legitimate interest. Your personal information will be stored and used in accordance with the organizing authority's privacy policy. When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with the RYA, your national authority and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.

13. PRIZES

A prize giving will take place following completion of racing on Sunday 2nd June 2024.

14. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact Steve Fraser, racing@elyc.org.uk.