**RNLI Charity Race - Thames Estuary Yacht Club**

***Sunday 17th June 2018 14:30hrs***

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The race is being organised by Thames Estuary Yacht Club, and based at the club jetty - West of Genting Club Casino, Western Esplanade, Westcliff-on-Sea SS0 7QB.

**Registration**

Entries shall be made on the Event Entry Form obtained from the TEYC

The time limit for entries will be 13:30am on Sunday 17th June 2018

**Briefing**

The Briefing will be at 13:30 on the day in the Clubhouse

**Racing Format**

Racing will be in the form of all boats doing one lap of a long course out into the estuary.

**Start**

The start of the race will be 14:30hrs, following the starting process below. All light signals are displayed from the race office situated on the centre of the mezzanine floor of the club house, and each change is accompanied by a sound signal.

14:25 5 minute warning signal Red light

14:26 4 minute preparatory signal Red and Green lights

14:29 1 minute signal Green light

14:30 START All lights out

**Course**

The finalised course will be given at the race briefing. The start and finish line is between the Centre support column of the club house and the Wooden Post directly South of the club house.

The course will be round inflatable orange marks positioned on the day and permanent channel bouys. If boats start towards the West, all marks are to be rounded to Port. If boats start towards the East, all marks are to be rounded to Starboard.

**Protests**

Protests must be lodged with the race officer within 1 hour of the final boat finishing the race. The decision of the Race Officer/Sailing Secretary is final and no correspondence will be entered into.