

TBYC Notice of Race and Supplementary Sailing Instructions

Thorpe Bay Yacht Club

Thorpe Bay Regatta Sat 24th - Mon 26th May 2025

1. Rules

1.1. Racing will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of the RYA, the class rules, except if any of these are changed by these sailing instructions, the Thorpe Bay Yacht Club Sailing Instructions and these Supplementary Sailing Instructions

2. Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1 The regatta is open to boats of all classes. Non-Members of Thorpe Bay Yacht Club may enter by completing an entry form available from the website and handed in at the clubhouse main bar area prior to racing.
- 2.2 There will be no Entry fee

3. Changes To Sailing Instructions

- 3.1 Any changes to the Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be posted at least 2 hours before the start of a race they affect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted by 19.00 hours on the day before it will take effect.
- 3.2 Competitors' attention will be drawn to changes by flying flag "L" accompanied by one sound signal at the Club House Mast. Flag "L" will be lowered after the start of the first race that is affected by the change or changes in the sailing instructions.

4. Postponed or Abandoned Races

4.1 Postponed or abandoned races may be re-sailed at any time during the event.

5. Schedule Of Races

5.1

Saturday 24 th May		High Water – 10:48	
	Warning Signal	Time	
Race 1	All Classes Code Flag R	09:00	
Race 2 will take place as soon as possible after completion of Race 1, start sequence as above.			

Sunday 25 th May		High Water – 11:43	
	Warning Signal	Time	
Race 3	All Classes Code Flag R	09:30	
Race 4 will take place as soon as possible after completion of Race 3, start sequence as above.			

Monday 26 th May		High Water – 12:32	
	Warning Signal	Time	
Race 5	All Classes Code Flag R	10:30	
Race 6 will take place as soon as possible after completion of Race 5, start sequence as above.			

- 5.2 When more than one race is scheduled for the same day, the warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable.
- 5.3 To alert boats that another race or sequence of races will begin soon, the 'AP' Postponement flag will be displayed for at least one minute before the warning signal is displayed.
- 5.4 The **Chris Hull Memorial Trophy** will be held on a set race within the race series. The race to be counted as the Chris Hull Memorial will be announced at the Briefing on Saturday and will be at the discretion of the Hurricane Class Captain.



6. Protests

- 6.1 Competitors are to notify the Race Committee of their intention to protest as soon as possible whilst afloat.
- 6.2 Protests must be submitted to the Race Committee within 1 hour of the last boat finishing on the last of the day

7. Sailing Instructions

7.1 These are the standard TBYC sailing Instructions and will be available in the clubhouse main bar area on completion of registration of from the club website

8. Scoring

8.1 Each boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores. 1 discard will apply if 4 races have been sailed and 2 discards will apply if 6 races are sailed. (If less than 4 races are held due to adverse weather, the number of races to complete the series will be decided by the race committee

9. Insurance

9.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum of £3,000,000 per event.

10. Disclaimer of Liability

10.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organising 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.

11. Parking

- 11.1 The Boats should be left in the TBYC boat park fronting on to Thorpe Esplanade or as directed by a member of the event organising team
- 11.2 The Cars should be parked in the Southend Corporation Car Park adjacent to the boat park TBYC car parking stickers will be made available. Access will be via the dinghy park

12. Prizes

12.1 The overall 2025 Regatta winner will receive the TBYC Regatta Trophy. A prize will be awarded to the winner of each class with 4 or more boats entered. A prize will be awarded to the 1st placed cadet member.

13. Courses

- 13.1 The course shall be in the Thames Estuary to the south of the clubhouse, bounded by the coastguard station to the east, the shipping channel to the south and the pier to the west.
- 13.2 The course configuration will change each day between: Windward / Leeward, Triangle, and a Trapezoid. The course will be chosen on the day and displayed on the black board on the bosuns hut, prior to the start. The passing marks will be displayed on the white board on the Committee Boat. All boats will do the same course.
- 13.3 All courses as per Appendix A, with amendment to Windward/Leeward where there will be a spreader mark approx. 30 yards on from the windward mark as shown. This will be signified on the committee boat as Sp. All marks to Port. No boat will cross the start line on the downwind leg.
- 13.4 The marks to be used will be Orange Cylindrical buoys

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Windward/Leeward - A(p), A1(p), D(p)

Triangle - A(p), A1(p), C(p), D(p)

Trapezoid - A(p), B(p), C(p), D(p)

