

ROYAL TORBAY YACHT CLUB

**OFFSHORE CRUISER RACE WEEK**  
Friday 4<sup>th</sup> - Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2014

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

These sailing instructions are an addition to the RTYC Notice of Race for the Offshore Series.

Attention of competitors is drawn to the eligibility and safety regulations as defined in the Notice of Race chapters 6 and 8 particularly 6.6 that requires all yachts to comply a minimum of ISAF Offshore Special Regulations Category 3 with liferaft.

An additional **Race Entry form & Crew List** pro-forma is available on the RTYC website which should be completed and returned with entry fee to the RTYC by Tuesday 1st July 2014 for those participating in the Offshore Week.

Communication with competitors will be on VHF ch 72 (although if we suffer congestion /interference then VHF ch 77 will be used temporally). All competitors are requested to monitor channel 72 or its substitute for each race whenever possible, from before the start until reaching port as well as monitoring channel 16 which will act as a general safety channel.

**Classes**

Racing will be split into two main classes. Further divisions may be introduced provided there are sufficient entrants.

Class 1 -IRC

Class II –Non IRC Yachts

**Starts**

The start will be a single start for all classes and the No.1 warning flag will cover all classes.

The Offshore Series will use the

Warning flag (No1) up at 5min

Preparatory flag (Blue Peter) up at 4 min

1Minute warning Blue Peter down

Go –No1 flag down.

This will be flown from La Fleche or substitute committee yacht.

The start will also be given over the VHF radio . The race officer will give out other information on Ch 72 for 30 mins prior to the start so keep a listening watch on leaving port.

**Penalties.**

The normal penalties as per RTYC SSI's applies, except at the starts where one end of the line is La Fleche (or substitute committee vessel, which is competing). If a vessel is over the line, the Race officer in these circumstances will decree a number of turns as it will not be practical to go back to the start line as it will have disappeared. However in some circumstances the Race officer may require the over the line vessel to round the other end of start line mark if this is practical. This will all be announced on the radio by the race officer.

**Retirements**

Yachts retiring from any race are requested to inform the event organizers either, Kelvin Hull on board yacht La Fleche or Phil Meek onboard yacht Hope, on VHF ch 72, or via mobile (phone or text) +44 7739505395. If it is not possible to contact either of the above, then information should be passed to another yacht to relay retirement.

## Self Timing and Declarations

All yachts should take their own time at the finish. Race declaration forms for Offshore Week can be returned to John Whitehead on board yacht Veto after finishing although times of finish will normally be taken by radio after finishing. Alternatively John can be contacted by telephone on 07785561837 . If this is not possible, then declaration forms should be posted to the RTYC, Beacon Hill, Torquay TQ1 2BQ, to arrive by 1200hrs 19th July 2014. All races are taken on self timed declarations in BST. PLEASE all take the time in GPS time BST accurately to Hours Minutes and Seconds as your bow is judged to pass the finish line. Only use a watch if it is properly synchronized with GPS.

## Race schedule

The proposed race schedule is as below, but the race committee reserves the right to change the race schedule dependent upon the prevailing weather and other conditions. The race committee may also introduce an extra race any day if the circumstances allow.

St Peter Port Race	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Torquay to St Peter Port
Offshore Week Race 1	Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	St Peter Port to St Quay
Offshore Week Race 2	Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	St Quay to St Treguier
Offshore Week lay day	Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	lay day Treguier
Offshore Week Race 3	Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Treguier to Trebeurden
Offshore Week lay day	Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Trebeurden to St Peter Port
Offshore Week Race 4	Friday 11th July	lay day St. Peter Port
Off shore week Race 5	Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	St Peter Port to South Devon

## Hazards

The waters of Brittany, and the Channel Islands have many rocks, strong currents, fishing beds, etc. It is imperative that the skipper and crew make sure they are aware of all these hazards before and during the races and keep clear of them. When entering harbor areas, there are again many shoals and fishing nets and it is advised that all yachts stick to the marked channels.

## Breakdowns, troubles, injuries

While we hope there are no problems, if a yacht does have a difficulty then early communication with the committee vessel or closer vessel is important. Yachts **should** go to the assistance of any vessel calling for help. If a yacht does stop to give assistance if possible take note of the time and location when you cease to race and similarly when you restart the race so that fair redress can be considered.



**Royal Torbay Yacht Club**  
**Channel Race to St Peter Port 2014 (approx 80 miles)**  
**Friday 4th July**  
**Start time 1900 hrs BST**

## **Race Instructions**

These sailing instructions are an addition to the RTYC Notice of Race for the Channel Race 2014 (St Peter Port Race).

Attention of competitors is drawn to the eligibility and safety regulations as defined in the Notice of Race chapters 6 and 8 particularly 6.6 that requires all yachts to comply a minimum of ISAF Offshore Special Regulations Category 3 with liferaft.

An additional **Race Entry form & Crew List** pro-forma is available on the RTYC website which should be completed and returned to the RTYC by Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2013 for those participating in the Offshore Week, or prior to the start of the Channel Race (Torquay to St Peter Port race) for those only participating in this race.

**Warning signal** IRC & Unrated Cruisers Numeral Pennant 1 1855 hours

### **The Start**

The Starting Line will be between the mast on the committee boat displaying an **Orange** flag and an adjacent dan buoy flying a **Green** flag.

### **The Finish**

The Finishing Line will be a transit of the lighthouse at the entrance of the Victoria Marina (49°27.317N 02°32.029'W) with the northern side of the Castle Breakwater below the Breakwater lighthouse. This Victoria Marina light should bear 275 degrees magnetic. (if in poor visibility then the Victoria Breakwater lighthouse should bear 270 degrees magnetic). Yachts must cross this line within 400 metres of the lighthouse.

### **The Course**

From the Starting Line to the Finishing Line leaving Les Hanois Lighthouse to port.

### **Time Limit**

The Time Limit shall be 1900 hours BST Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2014 (if there is a delayed start the time limit will be extended to 24 hours after the actual start time).

### **Declarations**

Declaration forms available from RTYC are to be completed and deposited with the race organizer on board one of the competing vessels by 0800 hours on Sunday 6th July 2014, or within 9 hours of the official time limit if the race start in delayed. Declaration forms will make provision for a time to be recorded when Les Hanois lighthouse bears 075° (magnetic).

### **Results**

The Race Committee reserves the right to declare results on the basis of the declaration of the time when Les Hanois light bears 075° (magnetic) if no yacht finishes the course within the time limit.

### **Retirement**

Any yacht retiring from the race must inform the race organizer on board one of the competing yachts by VHF Channel 72 or to any other yacht in the race to relay to the race organiser, or the designated land based

contact or to RTYC (01803-292006).

**Communication.** Yachts are recommended to keep in contact and relay shipping information where appropriate to ensure the safety of the fleet using channel 72.

### **Trophies**

All entrants will be eligible for the following trophies to be awarded at the annual RTYC club prizegiving:

IRC Division

Unrated Cruisers

*Please ensure you radio through to Veto with your finishing time within an hour of finishing remember BST and verified to GPS or if not possible complete this declaration and send/hand to Race results officer on Veto*

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Finishing Time Declaration – Channel race  
Torquay to St. Peter Port

Name of Yacht.....

Sail No..... Finishing Time BST ..... Hours ..... Minutes ..... Seconds

Name.....Signature.....

# Race 1 of the RTYC Offshore Week

St. Peter Port to St Quay– Distance approximately 50 miles  
Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2012  
Start times: 07.00hrs

<b>Tides</b>	HW Dover	17.57 BST	5.6
	HW St. Peter Port	13.11 BST	7.1m
	HW St Quay	12.20 BST	8.82m

**Start Line** Guernsey Yacht Club line with outer distance mark as committee boat. (GYC line is identified by a Day-Glo mark high up on the wall of the castle fortifications and an orange buoy approximately 100m offshore) Starting from North to South

**Course** From the start line direct to finish line.

**Finish Line** Runs West from Madeaux West Cardinal Beacon (48°40.404'N 02°48.810'W)  
Leave the mark to Port.  
Finish within 100m of the mark.  
Take your finishing time when the mark bears 90° M

**Time Limit** 1900 BST. If one yacht in a class finishes within the time limit, then the time limit for that class is extended by 1 hour.

**Note** – should yachts decide to go into Victoria Marina, then you will need to get out on Saturday or very early on Sunday morning in order to get over the sill in time for the start.

*Please ensure you radio through to Veto with your finishing time within an hour of finishing remember BST and verified to GPS or if not possible complete this declaration and send/hand to Race results officer on Veto*

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Finishing Time Declaration – Race 1  
St. Peter Port to St Quay

Name of Yacht.....

Sail No..... Finishing Time BST ..... Hours ..... Minutes ..... Seconds

Name.....Signature.....

# Race 2 of the RTYC Offshore Week

St Quay to Treguier - Distance approximately 26.4 miles

Monday 7th July 2014

Start time: 07.00 hrs

Time Limit 14.00 hrs

<b>Tides</b>	HW Dover	19.13 BST	5.6m
	HW St Quay	13.33 BST	8.8 m
	HW Treguier	13.37 BST	7.9

## Start Line

between Committee boat and Runs West from Madeaux West Cardinal Beacon (48°40.404'N 02°48.810'W). Cross south to north..

## Course

from Start Line to:

87 Men-March (48°53.146N 02°51.893W) leave the mark to port

Nord Horaine (48°54.537N 02°55.204W)

La Jument Des Heaux (48°55.377N 02°8.032W)

then to finish.

## Finish Line

Basse Crublent (48°54.30'N 03°11.30'W) Take your time when the buoy bears 151°M and within 50 metres.

**Time Limit** 14.00 BST. If one yacht in a class finishes within the time limit, then the time limit for that class is extended by an 30 mins.

## Note

1. Tides run very strong through the marina. Skippers should take extreme care and aim to Moore at slack water.

*Please ensure you radio through to Veto with your finishing time within an hour of finishing remember BST and verified to GPS or if not possible complete this declaration and send/hand to Race results officer on Veto*

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Finishing Time Declaration – Race 2  
St Quay - Treguier

Name of Yacht.....

Sail No..... Finishing Time BST ..... Hours ..... Minutes ..... Seconds

Name.....Signature.....

# Race 3 of the RTYC Offshore Week

Treguier to Treburden – Distance approximately 24 miles

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2014

Start time: 09.30hrs (*That means leaving the marina by 0800 hours latest*)

<b>Tides</b>	HW Dover	08.31 BST	5.06m
	HW Treguier	15.59 BST	8.18m
	HW Treburden	15.21 BST	8.15m

**Start Line** Between: Basse Crublent (48°54.30'N 03°11.30'W)  
And the committee vessel.  
Cross line east to West

**Course** From the start line leaving;  
Bar-ar-Gal West Cardinal Mark 48°49.78'N 03°36.2 3'W to Port  
To finish Line

**Finish Line** Runs West from;  
Le Crapaud West Cardinal Mark 48°46.67'N 03°40.6 0'W  
Leave the mark to Port.  
Finish within 100m of the mark.  
Take your finishing time when the mark bears 090°M

In event of a slow race the course may be shortened at;  
Pet de Mean Ruz light house 48°50.24'N 03°29.03' W or other mark as specified  
by race officer  
All yachts to take their time when the light house bears 180°M

**Time Limit** 14.30 BST. If one yacht in a class finishes within the time limit, then the  
time limit for that class is extended by 1 hour.

## Note.

1. There may be a possibility for a second race but will be dependent upon conditions. This will be decided and announced on the day.
2. Take care when leaving the marina as there will be tide running through the marina

*Please ensure you radio through to Veto with your finishing time within an hour of finishing remember BST and verified to GPS or if not possible complete this declaration and send/hand to Race results officer on Veto*

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Finishing Time Declaration – Race 3  
Treguier - Trebeurden

Name of Yacht.....

Sail No..... Finishing Time BST ..... Hours ..... Minutes ..... Seconds

Name.....Signature.....

# Race 4 of the RTYC Offshore Week

Trebeurden – St Peter Port- Distance approximately 62 miles

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2014

Start time: 0700 hrs

Time Limit 1800 hrs

## Tides

HW Dover	10.25 BST 6.3m
HW Treburden	04.26 BST 8.48m
HW St Peter Port	1745 BST 8.38m

## Start Line

between Committee boat and Le Crapaud West Cardinal Mark 48°46.67'N 03°40.60'W

## Finish Line

The Finishing Line will be a transit of the lighthouse at the entrance of the Victoria Marina (49°27.317N 02°32.029'W) with the northern side of the Castle Breakwater below the Breakwater lighthouse. This Victoria Marina light should bear 275 degrees magnetic. (if in poor visibility then the Victoria Breakwater lighthouse should bear 270 degrees magnetic). Yachts must cross this line within 400 metres of the lighthouse.

## Course

From the start line direct to finish line.

**Time Limit** 1800 BST. If one yacht in a class finishes within the time limit, then the time limit for that class is extended by an hour.

*Please ensure you radio through to Veto with your finishing time within an hour of finishing remember BST and verified to GPS or if not possible complete this declaration and send/hand to Race results officer on Veto*

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Finishing Time Declaration – Race 4  
Trebeurden – St Peter Port

Name of Yacht.....

Sail No..... Finishing Time BST ..... Hours ..... Minutes ..... Seconds

Name.....Signature.....



# Race 5 of the RTYC Offshore Week

St Peter Port to South Devon- approximately 68 miles

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2014

Start time 0800 hrs

<b>Tides</b>	HW Dover	11.02 BST	7.01m
	HW St Peter Port	06.45 BST	9.41m
	HW Torquay	06.38 BST	4.93m

**Start Line** Guernsey Yacht Club line, starting South to North.

**Course** From the start line leaving;  
Platte Fougere 49°30.82'N 02°29.17'W to Port  
Channel Light 49°54.46'N 02°53.74'W to Stb'd – Yachts should pass within  
200m of the light and take there time when it bers 055 degrees true.  
Thence to the finish line.

**Finish Line.** Dartmouth finish line on Castle Ledge light buoy, (50°20.003'N 03°33.110'W)  
leave to starboard , take time when it bears 90 degrees.  
(If wind conditions are light the Race Officer may adjust the finish to a shortened  
course at Channel Light Vessel bearing 90 degrees M within 200 meters)

**Time Limit** 2400 hrs if full race is run.  
1600 BST Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June if the race is shortened  
If one yacht finishes within the time limit, then there will be 2 hour extension for all  
other yachts.

**Note** – Yachts should take their time at the channel light vessel to allow the race officer to  
adjust the finish to a shortened course if the wind conditions are light.

*Please ensure you radio through to Veto with your finishing time within an hour of  
finishing remember BST and verified to GPS or if not possible complete this  
declaration and send/hand to Race results officer on Veto or send to Royal Torbay  
YC or ring John Whitehead when back in UK.*

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## Finishing Time Declaration – Race 6 St Peter Port to South Devon

Name of Yacht.....Sail No.....

Finishing Time BST ..... Hours ..... Minutes ..... Seconds

Boat in Front..... Boat Behind.....

On (date) .....

Name.....Signature.....