



INTERNATIONAL SIX METRE BRITISH OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

23rd – 29th May 2012

Organising Authority: Restronguet Sailing Club,
in association with the Mylor Yacht Club.
Falmouth, Cornwall, UK

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* 2009 – 2012 (as amended 01 January 2010 and 01 January 2011).
- 1.2 Racing rules 44.1, 60.1(a) & 64.1(a) will be changed as follows:
- (a) Rule 44.1 – Two-Turns Penalty replaced by One-Turn Penalty.
 - (b) Rule 60.1(a) – A boat's right to protest or request redress will be limited.
 - (c) Rule 64.1(a) – Protest committee may impose penalties lesser or greater than disqualification.
- 1.3 The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions. The Sailing Instructions may also change other racing rules.
- 1.4 All boats shall comply with Falmouth Harbour Commissioners bye-laws: <http://www.falmouthport.co.uk/pdf/bye-laws.pdf>. Infringement of the bye-laws shall not be grounds for protest by another boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 1.5 In the event of a conflict between this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions then the Sailing Instructions shall take precedence.

2. ADVERTISING

Advertising shall be in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20 and the ISAF 2010 International Six Metre Class Rating Rule and Measurement Instructions.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to members of the International Six Metre Association.
- 3.2 Boats shall comply with class rules and prescriptions with regard to safety equipment and shall carry a personal flotation device complying with EN 393 – 50 Newtons for each person onboard.
- 3.3 Competitors should enter by sending a completed entry form and payment to the BISMA Treasurer, Cathy Ash-Vie, Bearing House, Ampress Lane, Lymington, Hants. SO41 8LW. Tel 01590 689122.
- 3.4 The closing date for normal entries is Tuesday 15th May. Late entries will be accepted up to noon on Tuesday 22nd May 2012 plus an additional £50 fee.
- 3.5 Final entry will only be confirmed when the entrant has completed fully and submitted the entry form with entry fee paid in full.

4. FEES

- 4.1 The entry fee for the regatta is £250, covering race management. Please send your completed entry form with a cheque made out to BISMA to Cathy Ash-Vie.
- 4.2 Arrangements for Berthing and lifting are additional and should be made direct with Mylor Yacht Harbour. Recommended launch times are tide dependent so arrive to launch pm Tuesday 22nd or latest morning Wednesday 23rd.
- 4.3 Special regatta rates have been arranged as follows:

Craning in and out at Mylor Yacht Harbour	£240 plus VAT Plus Step /unstopping of mast @ £36 plus VAT each way
Berthing at Mylor Yacht Harbour Marina	£28 plus VAT per day in the Marina £17 plus VAT per day swinging mooring
Storage of Trucks and Trailers at the 'valley' at MYH	f.o.c

- Culum Matheson, Marina Manager culum@mylor.com web: www.mylor.com
- 0044 (0)1326372121
- Brian Pope can offer services via his Yard www.oceanyachtcompany.com.
- Tel: 0044(0)1872 863708 or 0044(0)7831 215230

5. SCHEDULE

5.1 Racing

Date	Activity	Time
Mon 9 April	Entries open	Noon
Tues 22 May Wed 23 May	Launching at Mylor Yacht Harbour – both days	0800 – 1030 1400 - 1700
	Registration at M Y C	0900 - 2100
	Skippers' briefing at MYC	2000
Thur 24 May	Final registration at MYC	0830 - 0930
	<u>Practice Races</u>	First warning signal 1200
Fri 25 May	<u>Up to 3 races*</u>	First warning signal 1055
Sat 26 May	<u>Up to 3 races*</u>	First warning signal 1055
Sun 27 May	<u>Up to 2 races*</u>	First warning signal 1055 No race to be started after 1400
	Prize-giving at MYC	After racing
Mon 28 May	Haul-out at Mylor Yacht Haven	0900 - 1700

*Actual number sailed will be agreed with representatives of the class on the day, but a maximum of 7 races in total will be sailed.

Separate starts will be provided for "Modern" and "Classic" Six Metres.

5.2 Social

A more detailed Social Programme is in the process of being finalized

		Time
Wed 23 May	Reception at Mylor Yacht Club	tba
Thu 24 May	Class Supper	tba
Sun 27 May	Prizegiving at Mylor Yacht Club	Post Race

6. MEASUREMENT

- 6.1** Each boat may be requested to present a valid Certificate of Rating at registration.
- 6.2** Boats may be subject to inspection before or after any race at the discretion of the Race Committee. Failure of a boat to comply with class rules, notice of race, and sailing instructions will be grounds for disqualification from a race or the series. Inspections do not reduce the absolute and exclusive responsibility of the Person in Charge of a boat to comply with any safety requirement.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be available on the MYC website from Monday 14th May.
www.myloryachtclub.org.uk. +44(0)1326 374391

8. VENUE AND COURSES

- 8.1** The Regatta Centre and Race Office will be situated at the Mylor Yacht Club.
- 8.2** Racing conducted by the Restronguet Sailing Club will take place in Falmouth Bay unless weather conditions are unsuitable in which case courses may be set in Carrick Roads.
- 8.3** Courses will be Windward/Leeward.

9. PENALTY SYSTEM

RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

10. SCORING

- 10.1** A minimum of 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 10.2** When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 10.3** When more than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

11. SUPPORT BOATS

Support boats may be subject to restrictions on position during a start sequence and race. Full details will be given in the Sailing Instructions.

12. BERTHING

Boats shall be kept at their assigned places in Mylor Yacht Haven Marina. There will be accessible parking nearby for box trailers. Low loaders may be kept in a secure compound within Mylor Yacht Harbour complex.

13. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the Race Committee.

14.DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around boats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

15.RADIO COMMUNICATION

15.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

15.2 The Race Committee may use marine VHF Channel 72 to communicate with competitors. This will include safety information (especially in connection with commercial shipping movements), and may include a countdown sequence.

16.PRIZES

16.1 Pendennis Shipyard Perpetual Trophies will be awarded to the overall winners in both the Modern and Classic Classes.

16.2 Prizes will be awarded for overall finishing positions 1st, 2nd and 3rd in the Modern and Classic Six Metre classes. Additional prizes may also be awarded.

17.DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

17.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organising authority or its members 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.

17.2 It is for the Person in Charge and crew of the boat to decide whether he/she is fit to sail in the conditions which he/she will find. By launching or going to sea, or staying at sea, the Person in Charge and crew confirm that they are fit for those conditions and the crew is competent to sail and compete in them.

17.3 Nothing done by the organiser can reduce the responsibility of the Person in Charge or crew of a boat nor will it make the organiser responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury, howsoever it may have incurred, as a result of the boat taking part in racing. The organiser encompasses everyone helping to run the race and the event and include the Organising Authority, the Race Committee, the Race Officers, patrol boats and beachmasters.

18.INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000 per event or the equivalent.

19.FURTHER INFORMATION

19.1 Information about Falmouth and its environs, including accommodation, may be found at: www.discoverfalmouth.co.uk/site/visitor-info/falmouth-tic