



# THE ROYAL MOTOR YACHT CLUB

## SAIL REGATTA 2026

Racing will take place on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2026 for yachts in the following classes:

Shrimper 19,21, Redwing, and 'X' One Design

### NOTICE OF RACE

#### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the rules currently defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028, the class rules of each class participating and the Regatta sailing instructions.
- 1.2 The current RYA Prescriptions to the Racing Rules will apply.
- 1.3 Racing Rule 29(1) will be changed in that a circular fluorescent shape will be used in place of International Code Flag 'X' for individual recalls.
- 1.4 XOD Class boats are not required to carry flares (LED or pyrotechnic). This changes the minimum requirement stated in XOD Class Rule C,4.1d (Flares) as permitted by that Rule.

#### 2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 Racing is open to all yachts of the following One Design classes:  
**'XOD'** - Open to all 'X' One Design class yachts which are helmed by a member or associated member of the XOD Class Association;  
**Shrimpers** - Open to all Shrimper 19 & 21 class yachts, which are owned and helmed by a Shrimper Owners Association member and who is a member of an RYA affiliated club, or a Poole Harbour club.  
**Redwings** – Open to all Redwing yachts.
- 2.2 Eligible yachts may enter by completing the attached entry form and sending it with the required fee to RMYC, Panorama Road, Sandbanks, Poole BH13 7RE as soon as possible but **no later than Monday 15th June 2026**.
- 2.3 Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 2.4 **XOD class only** - Parkstone Saturday Points score on **Race 2**

#### 3 ENTRY FEES

All classes for the day: £ 12

#### 4 SCHEDULE

Class	RACE 1		RACE 2
	<i>Warning Signal</i>	<b>Start</b>	<i>Time of First Warning Signal for the afternoon race to be notified to competitors during the lunch break by the Race Officer. Classes will start in the same order as in the morning Race 1.</i>
XOD	10:25	<b>10:30</b>	
Shrimper 19 & 21	10:30	<b>10:35</b>	
Redwing	10:35	<b>10:40</b>	

#### 5 MEASUREMENT

- 5.1 Yachts may be measured before or after any race at the discretion of the Race Committee and must comply with the relevant Class Racing Rules.

#### 6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.1 Sailing Instructions will be available from the RMYC office from 13<sup>th</sup> June 2026. Sailing Instructions will be forwarded to entrants on receipt of a completed entry form and fee.

#### 7 VENUE

- 7.1 Racing will take place in Poole Harbour, the approaches to Poole Harbour and in Poole Bay.



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### **8 COURSES**

- 8.1 Courses will be *ad hoc* in accordance with weather conditions on the day and will be communicated to competitors on **VHF Ch.37** (Ch.M1) or if blocked Ch.72.
- 8.2 All marks are rounding marks unless stated to the contrary in the course list.

### **9 PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 9.1 **XOD and Shrimper 19 & 21** classes - In accordance with Rule 44.1 the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the **One-Turn Penalty**.
- 9.2 **All other** classes - In accordance with Rule 44.1 and 44.2 with no variation.

### **10 SCORING**

- 10.1 The Racing Rules of Sailing 'Low Points System' shall be used. ALL races to count with no discards.

### **11 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

- 11.1 Communication shall be on VHF Ch. 37 (Ch.'M') or if blocked, VHF Ch. 72 shall be used.

### **12 RISK STATEMENT**

Rule 3 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states; "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew, their boat to such inherent risk while taking part in the event;
- b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their 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 event organiser, 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) They are responsible for ensuring that their boat is equipped and seaworthy so as to be able to face extremes of weather; that there is a crew sufficient in number, experience and fitness to withstand such weather; and that the safety equipment is properly maintained, stowed, in date and is familiar to the crew.

### **13 INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured against Third Party liability to a minimum cover of £2,000,000 throughout the series.



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### **14 PHC YACHT RACING CRITERIA**

The attention of all yacht skippers is drawn to the relevant section of the Poole Harbour Commissioners Yacht Racing Criteria and in particular the section entitled '*Guidance for Racing Yacht Skippers*'. Yacht skippers must appraise themselves of the content of these guidelines, the latest version of which can be found at:

<https://www.phc.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/08/SAIL-RACING-PROCEDURES-2025.pdf>

### **15 LUNCH BREAK**

All competitors are welcome to use the bar and facilities at the Royal Motor Yacht Club on the day of the Regatta. It is hoped that there will be sufficient time between the completion of Race 1 and the commencement of Race 2, for refreshment to be taken.

### **16 PRIZEGIVING**

The Prizegiving will take place on **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2026** at the Royal Motor Y.C. A trophy and/or memento will be presented to the boat gaining the winning points in each class. In addition, provided the class concerned has an entry of 6 or 7 boats, a memento will be awarded to 2<sup>nd</sup> place, and 8 or more boats, to 3<sup>rd</sup> place in each class overall.

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