



## GENERAL

The Summer Championship is a fleet race regatta for in provided Sonar type boats and RS21's.

The Organizing Authority (OA) is RTYC Regattas, Ltd. And Queen Mary Sailing Club

## 1. RULES

- 1.1. The event will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2. RRS 40.1 shall apply at all times while afloat or on a pontoon.
- 1.3. The RYA Racing Charter is in effect and competitors are expected to sail in compliance with it. The Charter can be found at the front of the RYA edition of the Racing Rules of Sailing (the yellow pages after the definitions), or on the RYA website at [www.rya.org.uk/racingrules](http://www.rya.org.uk/racingrules).
- 1.4. All competitors are considered 'Users' of Queen Mary Sailing Club (QMSC) and therefore are subject to their byelaws. The QMSC byelaws can be located at <https://www.queenmary.org.uk/club/club-documents/>.

## 2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available no later than Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> May on the [Royal Thames Yacht Club website](http://www.royalthamesyachtclub.org.uk)

## 3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. The online official notice board is located at located on the [Royal Thames Yacht Club website](http://www.royalthamesyachtclub.org.uk)
- 3.2. On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors via UHF radio. This channel will be communicated at the briefing. *Note: RTYC will provide UHF radios as part of the supplied equipment.*
- 3.3. [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.
- 3.4. The Race Committee will use a [Telegram group](https://t.me/rtyc) to facilitate communications during the event. The app is available for both apple and android devices. <https://telegram.org/>.

## 4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. Up to 12 entries in the Sonar class will be accepted on a first come first serve basis.
  - 4.2. Up to 6 RS21's will be available from Queen Mary Sailing Club
  - 4.3. Teams may enter by completing the relevant form by 2359 Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June. Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the OA.
    - i. [Sonar entry form including charter](#)
    - ii. RS21 entry form including charter
    - iii. [RS21 entry form](#)
  - 4.4. To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements, including providing crew details, and pay all fees.
  - 4.5. Each team shall submit a crew list which will include contact information for each competitor by 2359 Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> May
- ## 5. FEES
- 5.1. The entry fees are:
    - i. Sonar £500 (includes use of the boat, and four tickets for the Saturday BBQ)
    - ii. RS21 £660 (includes use of the boat, and four tickets for the Saturday BBQ)
    - iii. RS21 £200 (privately owned boats, includes four tickets for the Saturday BBQ)

- 5.2. **DAMAGE DEPOSIT:** For chartered boats, a damage deposit is not required before racing however each boat is liable for up to £1000 of associated costs due to damage as a result of any one incident (this includes boats, sails, equipment, and property). A failure to comply with this instruction or an invoice issued may result in disqualification from the event without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1. The OA may also file a RRS 69 report to the jury.

## 6. CREW LIMITATIONS

- 6.1. Sonars shall be raced with three or four crew  
6.2. RS21's shall be raced with three, four or five crew

## 7. ADVERTISING

A boat and her crew shall comply with World Sailing Regulation 20, Advertising Code.

## 8. PROVIDED BOATS

- 8.1. The OA will provide Sonar and RS21 type boats for racing in the event. Each boat will have the following sails: Mainsail, Jib, Spinnaker.  
8.2. While all reasonable steps are taken to equalise the boats, variations will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

## 9. Schedule

- 9.1. It is intended to run four races per day  
9.2. Target time for each race is 45 minutes

	Saturday 31 <sup>st</sup> May	Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> June
Registration	0930	
Competitors' Briefing	1000	0930
First warning signal	1055	1025
No warning signal after	1700	1600
BBQ and social	1730	
Prizegiving		1630

## 10. RACE VENUE

Racing will take place on Queen Mary Reservoir.

## 11. COURSES

- 11.1. The course will be windward–leeward and may include offset marks and gates.  
11.2. Course diagrams and descriptions will be provided in the sailing instructions.

## 12. PENALTIES

A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty including one tack and one gybe when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while *racing*. However, when a boat may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the *zone* around a *mark* other than a starting *mark*, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty, each turn including one tack and one gybe. This changes RRS 44.1.

## 13. SCORING

- 13.1. One (1) race is required to constitute a series.  
13.2. The Low Point scoring system will apply except when fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

## 14. DATA PROTECTION & RIGHT TO USE LIKENESS

- 14.1. The personal information you provide to the organizing authority will be used to facilitate your participation in the event. If you have agreed to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and the other rules that govern the event (the rules), the legal basis for processing that personal information is contract. If you are not bound by

the rules, the legal basis for processing that personal information is legitimate interest. Your personal information will be stored and used in accordance with the organizing authority's privacy policy. When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with the RYA, your national authority and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.

- 14.2. By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the OA unconditional, perpetual right and authority to publish and broadcast anywhere in the world, for any purpose and in any media, photographs, video footage, and audio recordings taken of them prior to, during, and after the event without compensation.

## **15. RISK STATEMENT**

- 15.1. 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, every competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- i. they are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- ii. they are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- iii. they accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- iv. the provision of a race management team, patrol boats, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the EOA does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- v. The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
- vi. It is their responsibility to familiarize themselves with any risks specific to the host venue or the event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.
- vii. It is their responsibility to ensure that they are familiar with the type of boat used, and the supplied equipment and are suitably experienced with its operation.
- viii. It is their responsibility for ensuring all supplied equipment is carried on board.
- ix. They are fit to sail and that they believe the crew and the boat and crew is capable of competing in the anticipated conditions.

## **16. INFORMATION**

For more information contact

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