

Whitby to Hartlepool Overnight Race

Friday 14th August 2009

GENERAL SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Rules

The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the RRS 2009-2012, the prescriptions of the RYA, The International Rules for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea, NECRA 2009 rules and the following SI's.

2. Conditions of Entry

- Boats must be registered with NECRA prior to the start of this event.
- It is requested that boats post their intention to race on the NECRA website.
- Yachts may be inspected before or after races at the discretion of the committee.

3. Notices to Competitors

Notices will be posted on the WYC Notice Board at the Marina and will be broadcast on Ch 37/M/M1 at the start. Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted not later than 90 minutes before the start.

4. Signals made Ashore

Any signals made ashore will be displayed at WYC Racing Station.

5. Protests

Protests, accompanied with a fee of £5, must be submitted by 19.00 Saturday to Tees & Hartlepool Yacht Club.

6. Radio Communication

A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile phones.

7. Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the races at their own risk. See RRS 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 this event.

8. Insurance

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000.

9. Safety

ISAF Cat 4. Liferrafts are strongly recommended.

10. Upgang Rocks

Attention is drawn to the fact that an area of rocks extends well offshore from Upgang Ravine, west of the Race Station, at Whitby, as charted. They are weed covered and have a charted depth of 1 metre at MLWS with seas breaking on them in strong N winds.

11. Retirements

Any boat retiring from the race must inform the Race Committee at the destination Club.
Whitby Race Control Tel: TBD

12. Schedule of Races

Start Time	HW Whitby	HW Hartlepool Bridge Whitby	
All Classes 21:30 BST	Fri 22:37 Sat 09:52, 22:37	Sat 11:20, 00:00	Fri 20:45–00:30 Sat 0800–1145, then 17:30

13. VHF Channels

Whitby Race Station will operate on VHF CH37/M/M1.
THYC Race Station (Tees Tower) will operate on VHF Ch M2
Yachts are requested to check in with Whitby Yacht Club “Race Station” on VHF CH37/M/M1 when passing the Whitby Bell Buoy when returning from the south.
Yachts are requested to check in with their name and sail number to Tees Tower on passing the Tees Fairway buoy.

14. Start Line

South to north transit marked by two white posts situated above and behind the Racing Station. The posts are surmounted by white triangles. The line extends approximately 2-3 cables seawards to the limit mark which is mark of the course (A) and may be tideborne to the east or west of the line.

15. Start Procedure

Time			
21:25	All Class Warning	Green Light	
21:26	Preparatory	Green Light	White Light
21:29	One -Minute	Green Light	White Light Extinguished
21:30	All Class Start	Green Light Out	
Individual Recall		One Red Light	
General Recall		Two Red Lights	
Shortened Course		Two White Lights	

16. Courses

Course	Course
1	A, P, S, Bell Buoy, Scalby, (Whitby Bell Buoy), WYC H, WYC A, (Tees Fairway), Hartlepool No 2, (THYC "H"), THYC Finish Line
2	A, P, S, Bell Buoy, Wheatcroft, (Whitby Bell Buoy), WYC H, WYC A, (Tees Fairway), Hartlepool No 2, (THYC "H"), THYC Finish Line
3	A, P, S, Bell Buoy, Cayton, (Whitby Bell Buoy), WYC H, WYC A, (Tees Fairway), Hartlepool No 2, (THYC "H"), THYC Finish Line
4	A, P, S, Bell Buoy, Filey Brigg, (Whitby Bell Buoy), WYC H, WYC A, (Tees Fairway), Hartlepool No 2, (THYC "H"), THYC Finish Line
Buoys in brackets are to be passed to port, buoys without brackets are to be left to starboard	

Buoy	Position	Description
WYC "A"	54 29.79N 000 37.02W	ODM
WYC "P"	54 30.00N 000 37.60W	1 cable to west of start
WYC "S"	54 30.36N 000 37.50W	2 cable to north of P
Whitby Bell Buoy	54 30.33N 000 36.58W	N Cardinal, 1M north of harbour
Scalby	54 18.59N 000 23.38W	Outfall buoy, north side of North Bay
Wheatcroft	54 16.22N 000 20.96W	Outfall buoy, 1M SE of Scarborough
Cayton	54 15.78N 000 21.91W	Outfall buoy, 1M SSE of Scarborough
Filey Brigg	54 12.74N 000 14.62W	E Card north of Filey
WYC "H"	54 29.83N 000 33.99W	½ Cable west of Whitby harbour
Tees Fairway	54 40.94N 001 06.48W	Safe Water mark
Hartlepool No 2	54 41.24N 001 10.91W	Hartlepool channel PHM
THYC "H"	54 41.33N 001 11.03W	Hitch mark

17. Survey Operations for Cleveland Potash

Cleveland Potash have commissioned a survey on a 15 mile section of the coast about between approx 0.5 mile 6 miles out to sea. All vessels are to remain clear of this area which is monitored by guard vessels. NECRA racing yachts are to remain seaward of this area at all time, which must be considered as a mark of the course. See attached diagram.

18. Shortening Course

Should it be necessary to shorten the course, this will be done at Whitby on the northern passage to Hartlepool. It will be announced on VHF CH37/M/M1 and indicated by 2 white lights on the Race Station. The race will then be finished on the Whitby Yacht Club finish line between the Race Station and the "A" buoy.

19. Finish Line

THYC finish line is a transit between the centre of the THYC tower and the white post on the S Breakwater of the marina entrance. Inner and outer ends are marked with red spherical buoys 200 + 400metres from the breakwater

20. Time Limit

18:00 Saturday 15th August.

All Competitors please be informed that for the purpose of interpreting The International Regulations for Prevention of Collisions at Sea: Part C: Lights and Shapes: Rule 20 - the following should be noted;

Sunset 14th Aug, 2009, 20:37 BST

Sunrise 15th Aug, 2009, 05:38 BST

Cleveland Potash Survey Area – for information

