

Impala National Championship
13-15th July
Royal Western Yacht Club Of England
Plymouth

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Where boats are racing within the boundaries of a port they shall comply with such regulations as may be in force within that port. In particular, regulations regarding the safe navigation of large vessels shall be strictly observed. Competitors are referred to the Dockyard Port of Plymouth Order 1999, a copy of which is displayed on the Club notice board and website, and to Local Notices to Mariners. When the Race Committee believes that such regulations have been broken so as to bring the sport into disrepute it will act under RRS 60.2(c) requesting the Protest Committee to act under RRS 69.1(a), Allegation of Gross Misconduct.
- 1.3 The Exoneration Penalty (and the Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration) of the RYA Rules and Disputes procedures will be available. This is the preferred method of resolving disputes. See the official notice board or website for details.

2 ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Impala class.
- 3.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the attached form and sending it, together with the required fee, to Royal Western Yacht Club by 10th July.
- 3.3 Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the Regatta Committee.
- 3.4 All yachts entering will receive a set of six Championship mugs. Entries received before 1st June 2012 will have the name of their yacht on the mugs.

4 CLASSIFICATION

The following classification requirements will apply: RORC Special Regulations Cat.4

5 FEES

- 5.1 The fee for the regatta will be £80,

6 SCHEDULE

6.1 Registration:

Day and date: 12th July 1600-1900 and 13th July 0830-1030

6.2 Briefing: 12th July 1800 at RWYC. This will include a drink for all crew courtesy of Westaway Sails.

6.3 Measurement and Inspection:

Boats may be inspected on any day during the regatta between 0900 and 1900.

6.4 Dates of racing:

<u>13th July</u>	<u>Coastal Race</u>
14 th July	Up to 4 Races
15 th July	Up to 4 Races

6.5 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the Coastal Race is 1130 and the warning signal for the first race on Saturday 14th and Sunday 15th is 1030.

7 MEASUREMENTS

Each boat shall produce a valid Impala Class measurement certificate.

8 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available after 8th July 2012 on www.RWYC.org.uk/Racing

10 VENUE

10.1 Racing will take in in the area north of a line from Rame Head to Wembury Point.

11 THE COURSES

The Coastal race will use navigation marks and the course will be set with an expected completion time of 3-4 hours.

The races on Saturday 14th and Sunday 15th will be windward –leeward courses set using moveable inflatable marks and with a target duration of 50 minutes per race.

12 SCORING

12.1 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series. All races carry equal weight.

- 12.2 (a) When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When from four to five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- (c) When six or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

13 BERTHING

Berthing will be available at Yacht Haven Quays. A detailed berthing booklet is available from the Impala Association.

14 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.

15 RADIO COMMUNICATION

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. All Yachts competing shall carry a VHF capable of making and receiving transmissions on Ch 77.

16 PRIZES

Prizes will be given for the Overall Champion, the Coastal Race and Day prizes.

17 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority 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.

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

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