



CIVIL SERVICE SAILING ASSOCIATION

INTER DEPARTMENTAL OFFSHORE REGATTA

IDOR

ORGANISING AUTHORITY ISLAND SAILING CLUB COWES

8TH – 12TH JUNE 2026

NOTICE OF RACE

Competitors must comply with any current rules/guidance in force at the time of each race during the event.

1. RULES

- 1.1 Racing will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing (2025-2028), including the RYA prescriptions.
- 1.2 Parts A, B and C of the IRC rules shall apply where appropriate.
- 1.3 World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations for Category 4 will apply.
- 1.4 If there is a conflict between rules or regulations, other than RRS, the Sailing instructions will prevail. This changes rule 63.5 (C) (2).
- 1.5 The protest committee may impose suitable penalties other than disqualification for violations of non-Part 2 rules.
- 1.6 Competitors will be expected to comply with any current rules/guidance in force at the time of the event in line with Government and RYA restrictions.
- 1.7 Anchors shall not be carried on deck such that they protrude forward of the bow.
- 1.8 Chartered or hired boats shall not be able to seek redress in the event of gear or equipment failure.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

Entry is reserved for teams representing Civil Service Sports Council (CSSC) eligible employers (Departmental Entries) and bona fide CSSC sports clubs (Club Entries). All crew (excluding a Fairview skipper if applicable) must be members of the CSSC and the Civil Service Sailing Association (CSSA). Membership of the CSSA is free for CSSC members.

A majority of the crew competing in any race must be employees of the department or members of the club represented. The maximum number of crew including skipper onboard each boat is 8. Fairview Oceanis 37 yachts are supplied through Fairview Sailing Ltd. IDOR entry binds competitors to the terms of the Fairview damage waiver.

Entries are welcome from similar rated (RYA National Handicap for Cruisers 0.975) performance boats with adequate insurance sourced by competitors, and with agreement from the IDOR committee. If you plan to take up this option, please contact the committee as soon as possible to discuss.

Entries are to be made using the **IDOR 2026 Entry Form** available to download from the IDOR website at <http://www.idor.org.uk/downloads>.

Deadline for entry is **Friday 15th May 2026**.

3 FEES

The IDOR regatta fee is £2849.00 and entries using Fairview Oceanis 37 will need to pay the IDOR committee a deposit fee of £1262.00 The regatta fee includes race management, marina fees, prizes, and 8 places at the Regatta Dinner. Payment will be to CSSC via NuTickets once an entry is confirmed.

Deadline for payment is **Friday 10th April 2026**.

The remaining Fairview yacht charter is £1587 The deadline for full payment to Fairview is **Monday 11th May 2026**. Fairview can supply a skipper, if required, at an additional charge. Some support may be available from the IDOR Committee for entries requiring skippers. Early engagement with the Committee is encouraged if this is the case. Please note that Fairview will require a damage deposit of £3,000, being the Maximum-Security Deposit / Excess for any single incident. This is refunded after the event if no incidents occur.

4 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions (SI) will be available to download from the IDOR Website (<http://www.idor.org.uk>) on **Monday 25th May 2026**.

5 VENUE

Overnight berths have been reserved by the IDOR Committee **at** Cowes Yacht Haven Harbour (**8th 10th 11th June**) and Yarmouth Harbour (**Tuesday 9th**). All mooring (and electricity) fees are included in the Race Entry Fee. Yachts will return to Port Hamble on **Friday 12th June** by 1130 hrs.

6 THE COURSES

Racing will be in the Solent, Hayling Bay, Christchurch Bay and around the Isle of Wight. The courses will be identified using fixed navigation marks and Solent racing marks

7 PROVISIONAL SCHEDULE

Yachts available at 1900hrs

Yachts to be returned by 1100hrs

The organisers reserve the right to reschedule races and start times should weather or tidal conditions dictate. If the predicted weather forecast suggests that the racing programme is better taken out of order, then races will retain their published names and be raced for on different days.

DATE	DETAILS
Sunday 7 th June	Virtual Skippers Briefing TBC
Sunday 7 th June	Yachts available at Port Hamble from 2000
Monday 8 th June	Fairview Handover (0800) Rutherford Appleton Series – RACE 1 (Overnight Yarmouth Harbour)
Tuesday 9 th June	Rutherford Appleton Series – RACE 2 Provisionally Round the Island Race
Wednesday 10 th June	City of Plymouth Series - RACE 1 City of Plymouth Series - RACE 2 City of Plymouth Series - RACE 3
Thursday 11 th June	City of Plymouth Series - RACE 4 City of Plymouth Series – RACE 5
Friday 12 th June	Passage Race to Hamble (Yachts berthed by 1130) Self finishing

8 BRIEFINGS

The skippers briefing will be held virtually before the regatta starts and will be arranged once all entries are received for a date suitable to all skippers and the Island Sailing Club.

9 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Radio communications with competitors afloat will be made on VHF as detailed in the SIs.

10 SCORING

The Low Points scoring system will be used except that RRS 2024 – 2028 Appendix A2 is amended with respect to scores and discards. Rutherford Appleton Series races carry double points.

11 PRIZES

Eric Seal Memorial Trophy (IDOR overall winner)

Awarded to the boat scoring least points in all races up to Thursday. One race is to be discarded. Individual trophies will be awarded (at the Regatta Dinner on **Thursday 11th June**) to the crew of boats placed 1st 2nd and 3rd overall.

CSORC SHIELD (CSSA CLUB WINNER)

Awarded to the CSSA Club entry scoring least points in all races up to Thursday evening.

There are no discards.

THE AMARANTHE SALVER (DEPARTMENTAL WINNER)

Awarded to the Departmental entry scoring least points in all races up to Thursday evening. There are no discards.

THE CITY OF PLYMOUTH TROPHY (INSHORE WINNER)

Awarded to the winner of the combined City of Plymouth Trophy series of races. There are no discards.

THE RUTHERFORD APPLETON TROPHY (OFFSHORE WINNER)

Awarded to the winner of the combined Rutherford Appleton Trophy series of races.

There are no discards.

THE SILVER JUBILEE TROPHY (FIRST TIME IDOR SKIPPER)

Awarded to the 'first time IDOR skipper' scoring least points in all races up to Thursday evening. One race to be discarded.

THE ELITE CUP (MOST IMPROVED)

Awarded to the most improved boat. To be determined by a linear regression fit to all finishing places up to Thursday evening. All races carry single place points. There are no discards. Winners of other 2025 trophies will not be eligible for this cup.

CLASS A SHIELD AND CARIAD CUP (PAIRS COMPETITION)

Awarded to the paired boats with the lowest average score for all races up to Thursday evening. There are no discards. Fleet racing rules apply.

ROUND THE ISLAND TROPHY

To be awarded to the winner of the island circumnavigation race. In the event that this is cancelled, the trophy will be awarded to the winner of the race which has the longest time limit up to Thursday evening.

CSSA CHARITY CUP

Awarded to the crew who have raised most money in sponsorship for charitable organisations, based on sponsor forms brought to the regatta.

CSSA COWES RALLY PASSAGE TROPHY

Awarded to the first boat to finish the final (Friday) race.

All trophies and prizes will be presented at the Regatta Dinner except for the Eric Seal Trophy which will be awarded at the Civil Service Sailing Association AGM (date and location to be announced). Teams using Fairview skippers are not eligible for the Eric Seal Memorial or Silver Jubilee Trophies.

12 SOCIAL EVENTS

A social program for the regatta is being developed by the IDOR committee, to include a race briefing by the Island Sailing Club and a regatta dinner. Dates TBC

Menu choices for the Regatta Dinner are to be made by **Monday 1st June 2026** using an MS Form which will be sent out nearer the Regatta.

13 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information regarding the regatta please contact the IDOR committee:

Email: idor@cs-sailing.org

Phone: 07905425923/07855455284

Website: <http://www.idor.org.uk>

Alternatively, please contact Ben Ferris, ISC Sailing Manager

Email: ben@islandsc.org.uk

Phone: 01983 249431

Website: <https://www.islandsc.org.uk/event/idor>

For further information regarding yacht charter please contact quoting

Fairview Sailing Ltd IDOR

Email: info@fairviewsailing.co.uk

Phone: 02380 457023

Website: www.fairviewsailing.co.uk

14 RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 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. The event is physically demanding, and crews should be prepared for this, skippers are reminded of the need to brief their crews appropriately. By taking part in this series, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

1. 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 series;
2. They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
3. They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss, to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
4. Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the series and they are fit to participate;
5. 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 (the competitors') responsibilities;
6. The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
7.
 - a) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this 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, and
 - b) Their boat is adequately insured (the Fairview yacht charter fee includes third party insurance up to a limit of £3,000,000 sterling).

Nothing done by the organisers will reduce the responsibility of the boat nor will it make the organisers responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury, however it may have occurred, as a result of the boat taking part in the racing. The organisers encompass everyone helping to run the regatta including The Island Sailing Club, Civil Service Sailing Association (CSSA), IDOR Committee and Fairview Sailing Ltd and its representatives.

Each boat, and therefore the skipper, is solely responsible for the payment to Fairview Sailing Ltd of up to £3000, being the **maximum** Security Deposit / Excess, **for each incident** that may occur.

The skippers of participating yachts must ensure that their crew are made aware of the above clauses.

15 RYA CHARTER

Competitors should note that the Island Sailing Club has implemented the RYA Racing Charter and that, when entering, competitors will be required to undertake to sail in compliance with the Charter, which can be found at the front of the RYA rule book (Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028) or at [_rya.org.uk/racing/rules/racing-charter](https://rya.org.uk/racing/rules/racing-charter)

ISLAND SAILING CLUB

The Island Sailing Club Committee invites teams to consider themselves temporary members of ISC for the duration of the event and make use of the Club's facilities.

The ISC restaurant is open from 18.00 to 21.00 and the Bar is open from 18.00 to 23.00 throughout the week.

No booking is required.

