



**Notice of Race (NoR)**

The Poole YC Mid-Summer Marathon will take place on 21<sup>st</sup> June 2025, on a course around Poole Harbour. Starting at Poole Yacht Club (a 'Le Mans' style start from Hamworthy Park Beach) and continuing anti clockwise round Brownsea, Furzey & Green Islands via the South Deep and Wych Channels. The start signal will be at sunrise (approx. 0455 BST), the race will continue, competitors completing multiple laps of the same course, until as close to sunset as safety considerations will allow.

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

**1** **RULES**

- 1.1** The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2** Sailing instructions, will be available from May 2025 and will be online at [www.pooleyc.co.uk](http://www.pooleyc.co.uk)
- 1.3** *Change to a rule in the Racing Rules of Sailing: full details will be in the sailing instructions but may include:*
- Hauling out (Rule 45)
  - Outside help (Rule 41)
  - Changing crews and helms (Rule 48)
  - Towing & Propulsion (Rules 41& 42)
  - Starting Races (Rule 26)
- 1.4** All class rules will apply. All Poole yacht club rules will apply.
- 1.5** The navigation rules of the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (IRPCAS)
- 1.6** If there is a conflict between languages the English text takes precedence.

**2** **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SI)**

- 2.1** The sailing instructions will be available after June 6<sup>th</sup> 2025 via Poole Yacht Club Website, link below:
- <https://www.pooleyc.co.uk/events/2025-6-21-mid-summer-marathon/>
- 2.2** The sailing instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and supplementary sailing instructions that will be on the official notice board located at Poole Yacht Club and Club Website (Link Above).



### **3** **COMMUNICATION**

- 3.1** [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio and/or a mobile telephone (event emergency number to be published in the SI).
- 3.2** On the water, the race committee will make courtesy safety broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio, or via a what's app community group. More information on this in the SI's.
- 3.3** [DP] While racing from the warning signal until the end of the race of the day, 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.

### **4** **ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 4.1** The event is open to all sailing dinghies with a PY number lower than a double handed Mirror (1368).
- 4.2** Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form and submitting it, together with the required fee to Poole Yacht Club by 13<sup>th</sup> June. Booking link:  
<https://bookwhen.com/tpyctraining/e/ev-shw3-20250621043000>
- 4.3** To be considered as an entrant in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees. More details of registration requirements in the SI's.
- 4.4** The following restrictions on the number of boats apply: 50

### **5** **FEES**

- 5.1** Entry fees are as follows:

£150 per team.

A team entry can be confirmed by placing a non-refundable deposit, up to 31<sup>st</sup> May, Full Payment paid by 11<sup>th</sup> June.

This fee includes launching/harbour fees, committee boats, ribs and competitor trackers. Visiting boats: access to Poole YC from Midday Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June to Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> June.

### **6** **CREW LIMITATIONS**

- 6.1** The following crew limitations apply: Any sailor under the age of 14 on the day of the event (13 or below) must be accompanied on the water by a responsible adult (aged 18 or over).

### **7** **ADVERTISING**

- 7.1** Boats shall be required to display allocated flags and stickers for identification purposes and potentially to display race sponsor's advertising logos on the boom and/or sides of the hull or elsewhere. The size, placement and material will be prescribed in the sailing instructions.
- 7.2** Advertising will be allowed in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20 except that advertising on the hull and boom shall not conflict with or mask the display of the allocated identification numbers and race sponsor's logos.



## **8** **SCHEDULE**

### **8.1** Registration and Briefings:

	<b>Date</b>	<b>From</b>	<b>To</b>
Registration: (Poole YC – Academy)	20/06/2025	1700	1900
Race Safety Briefing (Poole YC – Skylight Lounge) <i>Safety Teams Only</i>	20/06/2025	1830	1900
Race Briefing: (Poole YC – Skylight Lounge / Bar)	20/06/2025	1930	2000

### **8.2** Dates of racing:

21<sup>st</sup> June 2025

### **8.3** Number of races:

1

### **8.4** The scheduled time of the warning signal for the race 0445

## **9** **EQUIPMENT INSPECTION**

### **9.1** [DP] Boats shall be available for equipment inspection from 20<sup>th</sup> June 2025.

### **9.2** Boats may be inspected at any time.

### **9.3** The following equipment will be inspected or measured: Towing Lines

### **9.4** [DP] Boats shall also comply with RRS 78.1

## **10** **CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT**

### **10.1** A competitor's clothing and equipment shall, comply RRS 50

## **11** **COURSES**

### **11.1** Starting at Poole Yacht Club (a 'Le Mans' style start from Hamworthy Park Beach) and continuing anti clockwise round Brownsea, Furzey & Green Islands via the South Deep and Wych Channels. The start signal will be at sunrise (approx. 0455 BST), the race will continue, competitors completing multiple laps of the same course, until as close to sunset as safety considerations will allow.

There will be buoys and checkpoints on the course to pass on each lap.

### **11.2** The marks that may be used are as follows: inflatable orange tetrahedrons and blue cylinders.



## **12** **SCORING**

- 12.1** The scoring system is as follows: will be under Great Lakes Handicap numbers and will be live results using the trac trac system.

The overall winner of the midsummer marathon will be a handicap (using Portsmouth yardstick numbers off the great lakes combined figures) <https://greatlakes.org.uk/resources/Great%20Lakes%20Handicaps%202024-25.pdf>

Results will be determined by average lap corrected time on PY handicap (the winner will be the boat with the fastest average lap time after PY correction). Determined by the following formula:

$$\text{Corrected Average Lap Time (seconds)} = \frac{\left( \left( \frac{\text{Elapsed Race Time (seconds)}}{\text{Number of Complete Laps Sailed}} \right) \times 1000 \right)}{\text{PY Handicap}}$$

Elapsed Race time is the time between the starting signal (0455 approx.) and individual finish time for that boat. If the race committee needs to finish a boat part way round the course, then the finish time will be taken as the time completing the last complete lap (crossing Y Gate). I.e. any partially completed laps will not be included in the calculation of results.

If a boat decides to finish racing before they are finished by the race committee, then they will be scored as RTD.

- 12.2** Boats will be required to carry a GPS tracker to provide information for competitors and spectators. Unreturned devices are to be charged for at the replacement cost of £80.00

## **13** **SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS**

- 13.1** [DP] Support person vessels *are excluded from the event.*

## **14** **BERTHING**

- 14.1** [DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while in the boat park.

## **15** **Privacy Statement**

## 15.1

Entrants and those volunteering for the duty rota will be asked to provide contacts and next of kin details as part of advance online registration and confirm these details at onsite registration giving consent for personal information to be used by PYC and collaborating organisations for race organisation purposes, including safety considerations. The personal data relating to competitors under the age of 18 at the start of the race will include the names of onsite, onshore parents or guardians and other information relevant for safeguarding purposes.

Consent will also be requested for the personal data of entrants and volunteers to be used by PYC and its commercial partners for marketing purposes, including promotion of sailing events and sailing-related activities, products and services such as future Mid-Summer Marathons.

The personal information provided by entrants and volunteers to the organising authority will be used to facilitate their participation in the event. If that personal information relates to someone who has 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 they are not bound by the rules, the legal basis for processing that personal information is legitimate interest. Personal information will be stored and used in accordance with the organising authority's privacy policy. When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with the RYA, the individual's national authority and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published

## 16 DATA PROTECTION

16.1 The Poole Yacht club Policy will be in place.

## 17 RISK STATEMENT

17.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore involves an element of inherent risk, especially on the open and tidal waters of Poole Harbour. By taking part in the event, the Team Captain (who must be an adult capable of excising appropriate judgement) and each competitor agree and acknowledge that:

- They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such risk whilst taking part in the event.
- They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew and their other property whilst taking part in the event
- They are responsible to ensure that any young or less experienced sailors in their crew, particularly below the age of 18 years, are capable of sailing in the conditions prevailing at the time
- They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions
- Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and in the conditions prevailing at the time
- Their team members are all fit to participate in the event and in the conditions prevailing at the time



- The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the organisers of the event in collaboration with competing clubs does not relieve teams of their own responsibilities
- The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance as can be practically provided in the circumstances
- 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.

## **18** **INSURANCE**

- 18.1** Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £5,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

## **19** **PRIZES**

- 19.1** Prizes will be given as follows:

**1<sup>st</sup> Overall Winner** (perpetual trophy): The Poole Yacht Club Mid-Summer Marathon

**2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Overall Winners**

**Most laps Completed** – Based on the team who complete the most laps

**Longest time on the Water** - Based on the team who is sailing the longest

**Fastest Lap** – Fastest recorded rounding of course

**Marathon Endeavour Award** (perpetual trophy) – Decided by the Race Committee, this award will go to the team who go above and beyond for the event on or off the water.

## **20** **FURTHER INFORMATION**

- 20.1** For further information please contact on:  
<https://www.pooleyc.co.uk/events/2025-6-21-mid-summer-marathon/>  
or email AJ Windsor (Event Director): [sailing@pooleyc.co.uk](mailto:sailing@pooleyc.co.uk)

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