



# Liverpool Yacht Club Tranmere Sailing Club



## Liverpool Yacht Club, Offshore Race

Sunday 9th April 2017

### SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 1 This race forms part of the LYC Long series (LS1) and is open to any vessel helmed by an eligible member of LYC/TSC or an RYA or world sailing affiliated sailing club.
  - a. Eligibility for LYC members is restricted to Full, Family or junior members as defined in the LYC rules and constitution. There is no requirement for crew to be members of LYC, other than the helm.
  - b. Each yacht shall carry her class numeral pennant on her backstay as shown on the list of entries.
  - c. Each yacht must also have paid the entry fee of £20 (LYC members), £25 (non LYC members), or already have paid the series entry prior to entering.
  - d. Safety & crew sheet must have been sent to the Racing Captain or handed to race control before starting.
  - e. Only yachts entered and helmed by Full, family or Junior members of LYC are eligible for the series trophies
  
- 2 This race is designated World Sailing OSR Category '4'  
[http://www.sailing.org/tools/documents/OSR2016mo3life23032016-\[19872\].pdf](http://www.sailing.org/tools/documents/OSR2016mo3life23032016-[19872].pdf)
  
- 3 LYC General Conditions & Sailing instructions shall apply and rank as Sailing Instructions. Owners and Crews are reminded that it is the sole responsibility of each skipper to decide whether or start or continue to race.
  
- 4 Eligible Classes:-
  - IRC 1 TCF 0.935 and higher
  - IRC 2 TCF less than 0.935
  - RYA NHC / Venture.

If there are less than 3 starters in an IRC class, then the IRC classes may be consolidated

Competitors must have a current valid IRC certificate for the vessel and if not already done so a copy must be provided to the Race Captain before the start
  
- 5 Starting
  - a. The start line is the normal LYC start line, a transit formed from the Brunswick Dock lock control flagstaff and an orange diamond on the river guardrail. The outer limit of the line is delimited by a line drawn from Pluckington Cardinal perpendicular to transit.
  - b. Times are BST (RRS 26 is amended)
    - 08:54 (BST) Warning:
    - 08:55 (BST) preparatory
    - 09:00 (BST) Start

- c. Postponements & Recalls. In accordance with the LYC special provision rules.

Individual recalls will be signalled by flag X or equivalent and may be announced on VHF

General recalls will be signalled by "first substitute" pennant as RRS 29.2., and may be announced on VHF

- d. Sound signals will be by horn.

## 6 Course

- a. IRC 1 course will be one of:-

**1A:** Dukes (P) Brazil (P), then follow the channel course (see below), Q2(S), Spoil(S), Gut(P), Jordans Spit(P), Bar(P), Q1(S), then follow the channel course (see below), finish (at least 58Nm)

Note: 'Gut' is a red and white safe water mark denoting the start of the Northern Channel into Preston, its approximate location is: 53°42'N, 003°09'W

**1B:** Dukes (P) Brazil (P), then follow the channel course (see below), Q2(S), Bar(P), Gwynt-Y- Mor E(S), leave all wind turbines and associated visible marks or equipment (including a mast believed to be at 53° 25.23'N 003° 28.58'W) of North Hoyle wind farm to PORT, leave all wind turbines and associated marks and visible equipment of Burbo Bank wind farm extension wind farm to STARBOARD, Q1 (S) , then follow the channel course (see below), finish (at least 53Nm).

Note there is believed to be a North Cardinal at 53° 30.324' N 003° 22.759' W guarding the Burbo Bank construction exclusion zone which if present SHALL be left to Starboard. Refer to Peel Ports NoM 2016/09 for details of the exclusion zone

**1C:** Dukes (P) Brazil (P), then follow the channel course (see below), Q2(S), Jordans Spit(P), Bar(P), Q1(S), then follow the channel course (see below), finish (approx. 42 nm)

- b. IRC 2 and Venture

**2A:** Dukes (P) Brazil (P), then follow the channel course (see below), Q2(S), Jordans Spit(P), Bar(P) Q2(P), then follow the channel course (see below), finish (approx. 42 nm)

**2B:** Dukes (P) Brazil (P), then follow the channel course (see below), Formby float (P)) then follow the channel course (see below), finish (approx. 30 nm).

Note for this course Q1 & Q2 ARE NOT marks of the course AND Formby float IS A mark of the course. This amends the 'LYC Channel course' detailed below

### LYC Channel course

from Brazil/C22 to Q1/Q2 all channel marks (lateral and cardinal marks) must be left to the appropriate side. For lateral marks that means green to port, red to starboard. Crosby and Formby floats are not marks of the course. Yachts must pay close attention to commercial traffic in the channel and must keep clear.

A Yacht forced the wrong side of a channel buoy or using other means of propulsion to avoid commercial shipping or in an emergency, should continue the race and report details to the timekeeper on the declaration. They should re-join the channel course as soon as practical. The race Committee may impose a penalty if it is perceived the yacht used such a manoeuvre to gain competitive advantage after clearing the immediate danger

NOTE The race officer may elect to set a different course for any/all classes depending on the prevailing conditions on the day

NOTE the Liverpool 2 construction exclusion zone is believed to be no longer in force, however competitors are required to take note of Peel Ports NoM 2013/8. If present competitors must leave a yellow mark with St Andrews cross topmark (flag M) to Starboard before entering the channel and to port on leaving the channel. The mark if present will be in the vicinity of 053° 26.97'N 003° 01.31'W. if present competitors shall not enter the exclusion zone whose westerly edge is delimited from that mark to C22.

7 Finishing

- a. The finish line is the extension of the normal LYC line the outer end is delimited by drawing a line from Pluckington bisecting the line at 90 degrees. if in the skippers opinion it is not safe to do so they may finish leaving that delimiting line to port as close deemed in a seamanlike manner. In the event the race officer deems that yachts do not comply the yacht may need to defend its decision in a protest committee
- b. Yachts must announce their imminent finish to race control at least 10 minutes before expected finish on VHF CH37a / M1
- c. Yachts must complete the declaration and return it to the race officer or race captain within 48 hours of completing the race
- d. Time limit. All competitors must have finished by 21:30. The LYC prescription that racing must finish BEFORE sunset is waived for this race

8 Protests must be made in writing including the fee of £10 to race control or if this not possible, within 24 hrs of time limit to the race captain racing@lyc.org.uk

9 Retiring. Vessels retiring **MUST** report as soon as possible and before the expiry of the time limit. Failure to do so may result in unnecessary implementation of emergency procedures. Report to one of the following

- a. Race control 07794 183146
- b. Matt Heald 07780 618694

10 Each boat shall carry her class numeral pennant on her backstay as shown on the list of entries.

11 Other Information

HW Liverpool 11:00 (BST) 8.9m

HW Liverpool 23:20 (BST) 9.0m

First Lock is around 21:00

Last lock is around 21:30 BST, although the lock keeper will be in duty till 22:00 BST

## Race Declaration

Yacht Name:

Owner's Name:

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Race

Number:

Race

Destination:

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Race Date:

Race Start Time:

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I declare that I was on board and in charge of the above yacht during the LYC Race just completed and that during that time the Sailing Instructions were obeyed and that our time of arrival was as stated below.

Finishing Time:

Date:

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Yacht Ahead:

Yacht Astern:

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Remarks

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Skipper's

Signature:

Print Name:

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No. of persons on board:

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Witness

Signature:

Position in Crew:

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Please complete this form and either hand it in to race control or email or post within forty-eight hours of the last yacht to finish to:- [racing@lyc.org.uk](mailto:racing@lyc.org.uk)

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## Crew/Safety sheet

Yacht Name + Sail No	Owner/Skippers name
Race Number	Destination
Race date	Race Start time
MMSI if DSC VHF fitted	
<input type="checkbox"/> Tick if AIS transponder active	EPIRB ID if fitted

Crew member	Next of Kin and relationship	Address, contact number of next of kin