

# CARDIFF BAY YACHT CLUB



## T.A.R.S.

### Notice of Race For The **T.A.R.S Series Racing 2025**

#### 1.0 THE EVENT

The organising authority is Cardiff Bay Yacht Club.

#### 2.0 RESPONSIBILITY

- 2.1 Yacht racing can be dangerous. The attention of owners, skippers and crew is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 3: 'A yacht is solely responsible for deciding whether or not to start or to continue racing'. The safety of a yacht and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the owner or owner's representative who must do their best to ensure that the yacht is fully found, thoroughly seaworthy and manned by an experienced crew who are physically fit to face bad weather. They must be satisfied as to the soundness of the hull, spars, rigging, sails and all gear. They must ensure that the safety equipment is properly maintained and stored and that the crew know where it is kept and how it is to be used.
- 2.2 Cardiff Bay Yacht Club and other organising clubs accept no responsibility or liability for loss of life or injury to members or others, or for the loss of, or damage to, any vessel or property.
- 2.3 Yachts must hold a valid and current boat insurance covering them for third party claims of up to £3,000,000 for the entire duration of the series.

#### 3.0 RULES & REGULATIONS

- 3.1 The race will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) of the World Sailing, the prescriptions and safety regulations of the Offshore Racing Congress, the International Rule (Club), the rules of the Club Cardiff Bay Rating handicap system, the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (where applicable), and this Notice of Race, all as modified by the Sailing Instructions.
- 3.2 IRC Rule 22.2 shall not apply. There will be no limitations on crew weight

#### **4.0 ELIGIBILITY**

- 4.1 Racing is for any vessels racing under locally modified Cardiff Bay handicap system.
- 4.2 All boats must comply with the Safety Regulations and be scrutinised if racing outside the Bay.
- 4.3 All boats must have as skipper an adult with some experience of the race area and the type of boat.
- 4.4 All skippers/owners must complete and sign an entry form and pay the prescribed entry fee that will remain valid throughout the years TARs Series Racing. All competitors under 18 years of age must present a completed Consent Form to the Club Office or Race Committee before their first race. One such form will be required from each skipper with whom that junior sails.
- 4.5 All skippers should be CBYC members.

#### **5.0 ENTRIES/CLOSING DATES**

- 5.1 Entries will be accepted at any time before or during a series.
- 5.2 There £15 entry fee per boat per year for any of the series races.
- 5.3 The entry fee must be paid by the third race otherwise they will not be allowed to race and previous results deleted.

#### **6.0 REGISTRATION & SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 6.1 Registration should be made using the on-line Registration Forms on the TARs page of the CBYC website. Sailing Instructions, and other documentation, will be posted on this page.

#### **7.0 ADVERTISING**

- 7.1 If a series is sponsored then yachts shall carry the sponsor's logo stickers or flags as provided.

#### **8.0 SCORING SYSTEM**

- 8.1 The low point scoring system, in accordance with RRS 90.3, will be used.
- 8.2 Yachts still racing at a race time limit will be awarded points based on their elapsed time at the end of the previous lap. If there are no finishers then no points will be awarded.
- 8.3 Discards will be decided by race series and could vary. Normally there will be 2 discards per series.

#### **9.0 PRIZES**

- 9.1 Simple trophies will be awarded to the first three boats at the end of each series.

#### **10.0 SCHEDULE OF RACING**

- 10.1 All races are planned to start at 12.30 on every Thursday throughout all Series, or earlier if racing outside the Bay
- 10.2 There will be 3 Series of 14/15 week duration
  - Spring February 6th to May 15th
  - Summer May 22nd to August 21st
  - Autumn August 28th to November 27th
- 10.3 There may be outside cruises in company if the weather is suitable.

#### **11.0 SCRUTINEERING**

- 11.1 If racing or cruising in company outside Cardiff Bay, all boats will be scrutinised for safety equipment compliance.
- 11.2 A Buddy system will be used where two skippers check each others boats.

- 11.3 This should be completed on the Scrutineering Form found on the TARs page of the CBYC website.
- 11.4 Completed forms should be deposited in the Club Office or behind the bar
- 11.5 A boat may not scrutinise themselves for this purpose.
- 11.6 Failure to present a completed scrutineering form within two weeks of a yacht's first start shall result in previous races being discarded.

### **Race Committee**

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