

## 1. Rules

- 1.1. This event is conducted as a **Category 3** race under the current edition of the **Racing & Sailing Rules and Special Regulations** as issued by Sail Training International. These regulations are available from <https://sailtraininginternational.org/app/uploads/2019/05/2019-RacingSailingRules.pdf>

These rules will be amended as follows:

The words '**Tall Ships Races International Ltd**' to be replaced with '**ASTO**' throughout. ASTO is the organising authority for the race.

NB: If a vessel is coded to Category 2 under the Small Commercial Vessel code, she complies with Part 2 of these rules.

<b>Part 1</b>	(2, Note 6) (5) (13)	The minimum LWL is amended to 24ft (7.3m) Does not apply Does not apply
<b>Part 2</b>	(3.06) (3.08) (4.06) (4.07) (4.09)	Lights and shapes as required per the SCV Code Does not apply Flares as required per the SCV Code Fire fighting equipment as per the SCV Code Searchlight and signalling lamp as per the SCV Code
<b>Part 3</b>		
<b>Section A</b>	(1.4.1) (2, 3 and 4)	Does not apply Do not apply
<b>Sections B &amp; C</b>		Do not apply

## 2. Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1. The event is open to all ASTO member vessels with a minimum waterline length of 7.3m.
- 2.2. 50% of the crew must be between the ages of 12 and 25 years old. No one under 12 years old may take part. **In 2020, vessels with older crews may also participate.**
- 2.3. Non-ASTO vessels may enter at the discretion of the race director. Please contact ASTO to discuss.
- 2.4. Vessels must comply with current Covid-19 guidelines, including the [RYA Guidance on sailing and racing with participants from different households](#)
- 2.5. Vessels may enter by completing the entry form and sending to ASTO by **Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2020**.
- 2.6. Late entries may be accepted for vessels with an existing TCF, at the discretion of the race organiser.

## 3. Classification

- 3.1. Vessels will be classified as A, B, C or D in line with the STI rules. Class E (catamarans) may be added at ASTO's discretion. Vessels where 50% of the crew are older than 25 will be in separate classes to those racing with young people.

## 4. Fees

- 4.1. In 2020 there will be no entry fee.

## 5. Schedule – all times are Local Time.

- 5.1. Registration will take place by email by 1700 on Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> October 2020.
- 5.2. Vessels must complete a life saving appliance form and a crew list to register. These must be submitted by 1700 on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> October. Changes to the crew list can be submitted before the start of the race.
- 5.3. Race briefing to take place via Whatsapp on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October, time to be confirmed.
- 5.4. The race will start at approx 1100 on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2020 on the Royal Yacht Squadron line. Exact timings and race course will be confirmed at the race briefing which will be held via Whatsapp.
- 5.5. Time limit for all classes will be 1700 on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2020.
- 5.6. The prize giving will be held online, details to be confirmed.

## 6. Sailing Instructions

- 6.1. The Sailing Instructions will be issued upon vessel registration. The race is run under STI rules which are essentially Colregs.

## 7. Race Course

- 7.1. Full details of the race course will be issued at the Race Briefing held via Whatsapp at a time to be confirmed.
- 7.2. The race course will be a round the cans race in the Solent.

## 8. Berthing

- 8.1. Vessels are expected to sail from their home port and stay at sea all day. There is no physical prize giving so vessels should return to their home port or make other arrangements after the virtual prize giving.

## 9. Prizes

- 9.1. Prizes will be awarded for each class and overall winners. Additional special prizes will also be awarded.

## 10. Insurance

- 10.1. All competing vessels must hold adequate 3<sup>rd</sup> party and liability insurance and proof thereof may be required.

## 11. Disclaimer of Liability

- 11.1 Competitors participate in this event entirely at their own risk. The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the event.