



TROON CRUISING CLUB

TARBERT 2nd September 2017

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS



In order to compete in this race, Skippers confirm understanding of the Club Racing Standing Orders and agree to be bound by them.

Prerace Briefing

A briefing will be conducted by a member of the Race Committee or nominated deputy in the clubhouse one hour before the Starting Signal, all Skippers (or deputies) MUST attend as notification of entry to the race. At the briefing the Start Boat and option to shorten the race will be agreed between competing skippers and any intentions not to fly a spinnaker must be declared.

Harbour Movements

Large commercial vessels may manoeuvre into and around the harbour. This will be signified by the Harbourmaster illuminating a flashing light at the harbour entrance. During the time the light is flashing, boats shall not cross the harbour entrance. Failure to do could not only be very dangerous but could result in Skipper prosecution and suspension of club racing activities by the Harbourmaster.

Start Times and Signals

All sound signals will originate from the Start Boat agreed at the Briefing.

<i>Warning Signal:</i>	09:50	Three long blasts will be sounded
<i>Preparatory Signal:</i>	09:55	Two long blasts will be sounded
<i>Starting Signal:</i>	10:00	One long blast will be sounded

Start Line

The Start will be on a line from the Dolphin at the harbour mouth, to the Mill Rock Red Can Buoy.

Course (circa 32 NM)

Boats should proceed from the START to the red Ardlamont point buoy rounding it to port (closely to avoid the spit) then to the FINISH at Tarbert. **Note – Boats should record their time at Ardlamont Buoy as it bears 270deg which may be used to establish results in the event of the wind failing.**

Finish Line

The FINISH will be a line between the pole on the pier at the south of the entrance and the most northerly point to the entrance to Tarbert (see diagram 1).

Finish Time

Boats should note their own finish time on GPS when the foremost part of the boat crosses the line and relay it to a member of the race committee as soon as possible after the race. Boats should also record their rounding time when abeam the Ardlamont buoy (bearing 270deg) as a backup to ensure a result can be declared.

Shortened Course (circa 25 NM)

Should it be agreed at the briefing that a shortened course will be sailed it will be as follows:

No boat shall enter the area between the dolphin and the yellow outer harbour buoy at any point in the race. Boats should proceed from the START to the red Ardlamont point buoy passing it closely to port and noting their finish time when abeam the buoy and within 2 boat lengths. NB this mark should be rounded smartly to port to avoid overstanding onto the spit.



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Late Starters

Any starters who miss the starting signal may motor to the start area, shut off their engine, and then carry out a 360 degree turn under sail prior to crossing the start line.

Lone Yacht at the Start

In the event of only one yacht appearing at a Start Line no race will take place.

Handicaps

Full CYCA handicaps will be used unless the boat does not hold one in which case the Race Committee will determine one based on similar vessels.

Spinnakers

Should a boat not wish to fly a spinnaker, it may gain a no spinnaker allowance (2.4mins/hr) but ONLY if declared at the pre-race briefing, otherwise normal CYCA handicap will be used.

Note: If wind direction precludes the use of spinnakers for all boats, no allowance shall be granted

VHF Channel

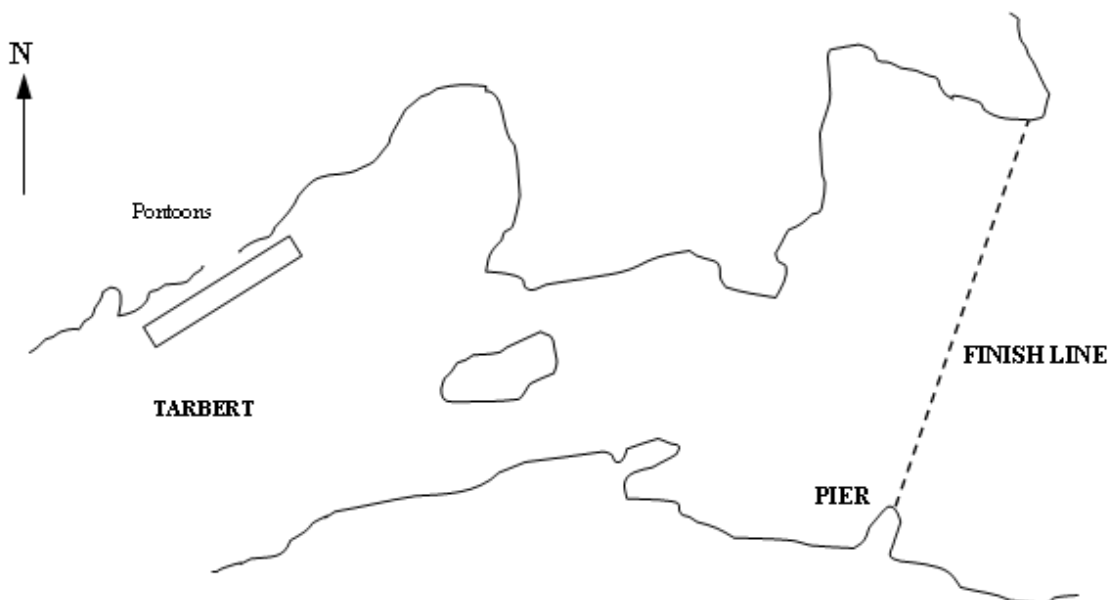
A listening watch should be kept on VHF channel 16.

Time Limit

All racing will cease at 1830hrs

David Hutton
Hon Racing Secretary

Diagram 1.





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TARBERT Return Race
3rd September 2017
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Return Race – Sunday 3rd September:

It is intended to run a return race from Tarbert on Sunday 3rd September.

Pre-race Briefing

During the stop over at Tarbert, the skippers shall agree a start time and course that suits the conditions forecast for the 3rd September.

If the conditions are favourable, the start line will be the previous days' finish line (see diagram 1 above) and the course the reverse of that described above. Ardlamont Buoy left to starboard and finish line between the Troon Dolphin and Mill Rock Buoy. **Note: Boats should record their time when passing Ardlamont buoy bearing 270 deg. and record their finish time at Troon.**

Based on mutual agreement between participants, the competing boats may motor to an optional start line and the start sequence will be commenced when all boats are mustered.

The start location options would include:

- Ardlamont Buoy
- South end of Inchmarnock
- A designated Hunterston Channel buoy.

In the event of using any of the above start locations, the course will be directly to the finish line at Troon.

Late Starters

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Lone Yacht at the Start

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Handicaps

Full CYCA handicaps will be used unless the boat does not hold one in which case the Race Committee will determine one based on similar vessels.

Spinnakers

Should a boat not wish to fly a spinnaker, it may gain a no spinnaker allowance (2.4mins/hr) but ONLY if declared at the pre-race briefing, otherwise normal CYCA handicap will be used.

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VHF Channel

A listening watch should be kept on VHF channel 16.

Time Limit

All racing will cease at 1830hrs