

1 RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined by the following:

1.1.1 Racing Rules of Sailing.

1.1.2 The Class Rules and Guidelines.

1.1.3 This Notice of Race.

1.1.4 The Sailing Instructions.

1.2 In the event of conflicts among the above documents, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail.

1.3 The notation '[NP]' in a rule means it shall not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1.4 The notation '[DP]' in a rule means that the penalty for a breach of that rule shall be at the discretion of the protest committee. This changes RRS 64.2.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

2.1 The Regatta is open to all Nacra 15 Class Association Members and all Nacra 20 Class Association Members.

2.2 Entries are to be made online together with the entry fee as described in NOR 3.

2.3 All helms and crew under the age of 18 during the event shall submit signed parent/guardian declarations as part of the entry process and submit details of the parent acting in charge of a child who shall be present at IOSSC at all times during the event.

2.4 Medical forms and sailor declarations included as part of the on-line entry are required to be completed for all competitors.

3 ENTRY FEE

3.1 The entry fee for racing will be as follows:

3.1.1 Prior to 2359 Friday 12th June 2026 the entry fee is £60.

3.1.2 There is a £30 surcharge for registrations made on or after 0001 Saturday 13th June 2026.

3.1.3 Entries may be made, and fees paid online at [IOS Sailing Club Nacra 15/20 Events Page](#)

4 VENUE

4.1 Racing is intended to take place on Thames Estuary to the North or North East of IOSSC.

5 SCHEDULE.

Friday 26th June 2026 from 1600 Registration in the main hall.

Saturday 27th June 1100 – Briefing in the main hall.

Saturday 27th June 1200 - 4 Races back to back.

Sunday 28th June 1030 - 4 races back to back.

Sunday 28th June As soon as possible after racing - Presentation.

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

6.1 Sailing instructions will be available no later than 21st June 2026 online via [IOS Sailing Club Nacra 15/20 Events Page](#)

7 COURSES

7.1 The courses to be sailed will be defined in the Sailing Instructions (SIs).

8 SCORING

8.1 The event will be scored as provided in RRS Appendix A4 using the Low Point System.

8.2 8 races are scheduled; Three completed races will constitute a series.

8.3 When fewer than 4 races have been completed a boat's regatta series score shall be the total of her race scores.

8.4 When 4-8 races have been completed, a boat's regatta series score will be the total of her race score excluding her worst score.

9 MEASUREMENT AND EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

9.1 All boats, sails and equipment may be inspected for Class rules compliance prior to, or during, or after racing.

10 SUPPORT BOATS [DP]

10.1 Support person vessels will be allowed and will be expected to act as part of the safety fleet if requested to do so by the Race Committee.

10.2 Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel including relatives of competitors who are not official, patrol or support person vessels shall not be in the racing area, nor shall they communicate with any competitors, from the time of the preparatory signal for the first race until the last boat returns to shore. The penalty for failing to comply with this requirement will be at the discretion of the protest committee and may be less than disqualification for all boats associated with the support personnel who do so:

a) For the purposes of this rule, the racing area shall be defined as not less than 300m from any boat that is racing, and this shall specifically include an area not less than 200m immediately to leeward of the finish line for any race.

b) For events that are held in restricted waters where the requirements in 10.2 a) are unable to be met, the Race Officer may designate a specific area for team leaders, coaches, or support boats

11 PRIZES

11.1 Prizes will be awarded depending on entry numbers.

11.2 Prize giving will take place in the main hall as soon as possible after racing on the last day.

11.3 The minimum number of prizes to be awarded will be:

- 1st, 2nd & 3rd for each Class

12 ADVERTISING AND MEDIA

12.1 If provided by the Organising Authority, boats shall display numbers and advertising.

12.2 Competitors automatically grant to the Organizing Authority and the Class Association, without payment, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television of or relating to the event.

12.3 Competitors may be required to participate in interviews during the event. [NP] [DP]

13 CANCELLATIONS

13.1 Cancellations & Refunds will be made to entrants as follows:

13.11 If the entrant withdraws from the event more than 10 days before the start a full refund will be issued.

13.12 If the entrant withdraws between 10 days and 5 days before the event, 50% of the entry fee will be refunded.

13.13 If the entrant withdraws 5 days or less before the event there will be no refund.

13.2 Notice of any cancellations will be promulgated by all available means, including social media at least 24 hours before event start time.

13.3 For the purpose of this rule, the event start time will be considered as 6 hours before the first scheduled race in accordance with the Notice of Race.

DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

14.1 RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone." By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

(a) they are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;

(b) they are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat, and their other property whether afloat or ashore;

(c) they accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;

(d) their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;

(e) the provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;

(f) the provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;

(g) 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 competitors briefing held for the event.

15 INSURANCE



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.

16 FURTHER INFORMATION

16.1 The Club is card only (No Cash).

16.2 Food is not covered by the entry fee and will be sold separately.

16.3 Nacra 15 Boats will be stored within the IOSSC compound in Sheerness or the IOSSC Minster Site (Formally the Catamaran Yacht Club boat park) at the discretion of the person responsible for that boat.

16.4 Nacra 20 boats will be stored in the IOSSC Minster Site (Formally the Catamaran Yacht Club boat park).

16.5 For further information please contact IOSSC. (email: iosscenquiries@outlook.com)