NOTICE OF RACE

1. Organising Authority
1.1 The organising Authority for the Regatta will be a Joint Regatta Committee from Royal Forth Yacht Club and Forth Corinthian Yacht Club.
1.2 All enquiries and entries should be addressed to:-
The Edinburgh Regatta, c/o Howard Thompson, 55 Pinkiehill Crescent, Musselburgh, EH21 7NQ, [07985 648359, howard.thompson2@btinternet.com]

2. Rules
2.1 The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.

3. Advertising
3.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority. If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies.

4. Eligibility and Entry
4.1 The Regatta is open to yachts in the following classes:

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4.2 The Cruiser Class is offered to yachts preferring passage races, rather than course races.
4.3 The Sports Boats / Day Boats class shall include “H” Boats, Dragons, 707s, RS Elites, SB20s, VX One. The Race Committee may add other designs to this class.
4.4 The Race Committee may offer additional class starts if 7 or more boats in the same class have entered the Regatta by 21.00 hrs on Friday 28th June. For any additional classes, Section 4.9 will not apply.
4.5 Handicaps will be based on FYCA handicaps. A Yacht entering the Regatta without a handicap will be given one by the Race Committee.
4.6 The Committee reserves the right to reject or rescind an entry in accordance with RRS 76.1, to cancel, combine or alter the classes at their discretion, to make any alteration to the sailing instructions they consider necessary.
4.7 Yachts shall belong or be chartered to and under the control of members of a club affiliated to the RYA. For the duration of this event, all persons taking part will be granted temporary membership of both organising clubs.
4.8 Eligible yachts may enter by completing the attached form and sending it with the required fee to The Edinburgh Regatta, c/o Howard Thompson, address details above (Section 1.2).
4.9 Yachts may enter under a “Restricted set of Sails” (RS) handicap allowance. RS is defined as no spinnaker or cruising chute, and no more headsails than used to windward to be set at any time. Such boats must conform to 4.9.1 – 4.9.4 set out below (based on FIG Restricted Sail Rules).
4.9.1. This provision is intended for yachts not equipped with a spinnaker or cruising chute, and for crews considered by the Race Committee to be 'less experienced', 'less capable' or 'short-handed', the latter defined as less than 60% of the yacht's full crew. It is at the absolute discretion of the Race Committee whether to accept an RS request or not.
4.9.2 The RS handicap allowance will apply for the whole regatta.
4.9.3 To request the RS provision, a yacht must clearly show this on the entry form, which must comply with 4.11 to be valid. The Race Committee must have confirmed its agreement before the first warning signal on that day.

11.4 A yacht permitted to use the RS provision shall display a white pennant or flag on the backstay or other prominent position, from its class warning signal until it finishes.

11.5 A yacht permitted to use the RS provision shall receive a +4% handicap adjustment.

4.10 Entries from yachts without an existing FYCA Handicap must be received by Midnight on Saturday 22\textsuperscript{nd} June.

4.11 All other entries must be received by 22.00 hrs on Friday 28\textsuperscript{th} June.

5. Fees

5.1 The Regatta fee for fleet 1 is £20.00 and the Regatta fee for fleet 2 is £15.00. This includes Berthing Charges for visiting yachts only on Friday 28\textsuperscript{th} June and for all yachts on Saturday 29\textsuperscript{th} June. The fee does not include lift in or out, which will be by arrangement with Royal Forth Yacht Club. (see 10.2).

6. Schedule

6.1 Registration will be at the Race Office within the Royal Forth Yacht Club courtyard, from 18.00 hrs to 22.00 hrs on Friday 28\textsuperscript{th} June and from 08.00 hrs to 09.00 hrs on Saturday 29\textsuperscript{th} June.

6.2 There will be a welcome and briefing in the Royal Forth Yacht Club on Saturday 29\textsuperscript{th} June at 08.30 hrs.

6.3 Racing will commence as follows:

- **Saturday 29\textsuperscript{th} June**
  - Fleet 1 - 3 races off Granton
  - First warning signal 10.55 BST

- **Sunday 30\textsuperscript{th} June**
  - Fleet 1 - 2 races off Granton
  - First warning signal 11.25 BST

7. Sailing Instructions

7.1 S.I.’s will be posted on RFYC Website (www.rfyc.org), the FCYC Website (www.fcyc.org.uk) & the FYCA Website (www.fyca.org.uk) when available.

7.2 Printed Sailing Instructions will be available for collection at Registration.

8. Penalty System

8.1 For penalties at the time of an incident RRS 44.1 and 44.2 will apply. RRS 44.3 will not apply.

8.2 The Post-Race Penalty and the Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules Disputes procedures shall apply (for information on the procedures, go to www.rya.org.uk/go/rulesdisputes). The outcome of an RYA Arbitration can be referred to a protest committee, but an arbitration cannot be reopened or appealed.

9. Scoring

9.1 The Low Points system of RRS Appendix A will apply.

9.2 Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

9.3 For Fleet 1, when fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores. When 4 or more races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

9.4 For Fleet 2, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores.

10. Berthing and Craneage

10.1 Yachts will be berthed at the Edinburgh Marina pontoons in the East Harbour. Some rafting will be necessary, so adequate mooring lines and fenders will be required. Granton based yachts not being used as overnight accommodation, are requested to return to their mooring overnight (tide permitting). **All yachts using the pontoons during the event must comply with the instructions given by the berthing master.**

10.2 Craneage is available for boats up to 4.5 tons (with certain restrictions) at the Royal Forth Yacht Club. For details, please contact the RFYC Office on 0131 552 8560 or by email at royalforth@btconnect.com

10.3 Keel boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta without express permission of the Race Committee. [DP] **Note that due to tidal restrictions, craneage in will only available from 10.00-14.00 and 22.00-23.30 on Friday 28\textsuperscript{th} June.**

11. Radio Communication

11.1 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data transmissions that is not available to all competitors.

11.2 The race officer will communicate during the regatta with all boats on VHF Channel 37.
12. **Prizes**

12.1 Prizes will be awarded according to the number of entries in each class for the Regatta.

12.2 The prize giving shall take place in the Royal Forth Yacht Club following racing on Sunday 29th June.

13. **Disclaimer of Liability**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

14. **Risk Statement**

Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.”

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. 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 safety briefing held for the event.

15. **Insurance**

Each participating boat shall be adequately insured, with cover of at least £3,000,000, against third-party claims.

16. **Safety**

All yachts shall comply with FYCA Safety Regulations Category 4R. Full copies of these regulations are available online at www.fyca.org.uk. Competing yachts may be inspected at any time.

17. **Further Information**

For further information, please contact John Mclaren, Organising Committee Chairman, on 07860 359537 or Howard Thompson on 07985 648359.

18. **Tidal Details (BST)**

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