1 RULES
1.1 All races will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
1.2 The prescriptions of the Royal Yachting Association will apply.
1.3 Class Rules will apply.
1.4 The following racing rules will be changed:
   - Part 4 preamble; Refer to Instruction 4.3
   - Rule 35 and A4; Refer to Instruction 14.4
   - Rule 44.1 and 44.2; Refer to Instruction 13.1
   - Rule 60.1; Refer to Instruction 15.5
   - Rule 61.3; Refer to Instruction 15.2
   - Rule 62.2; Refer to Instruction 15.2
   - Rule 66; Refer to Instruction 15.6
   - Rule A4; Refer to Instruction 10.4

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS
2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the Mickery Portacabin of Royal Forth Yacht Club.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the window of the Mickery Portacabin of Royal Forth Yacht Club.

4 SIGNALS MADE Ashore
4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the main mast of Royal Forth Yacht Club.
4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore ‘1 minute’ is replaced with ‘not less than 30 minutes’ in the race signal AP.
4.3 When flag Y is displayed ashore, Rule 40 applies at all times while afloat. This changes the Part 4 preamble.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES
5.1 Dates of racing are Saturday 4 October 2014 and Sunday 5 October 2014.
5.2 Three races are scheduled for each day.
5.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is as follows;
   Saturday 4 October 2014 – 09:55 hours
   Sunday 5 October 2014 – 10:25 hours
5.4 When there has been a long postponement and when more than one race (or sequence of races, for two or more classes) will be held on the same day, the warning signal for the first race and each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable. To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, an orange flag may be displayed with one sound for at least four minutes before a warning signal is displayed.

5.5 On Sunday 5 October 2014, no warning signal will be made after 14:30 hours.

6 CLASS FLAGS

6.1 Class flags and starting sequence will be as follows:

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A Courses: H-Boats will start first.
B Courses: Hunter 707’s will start first.
Each class will be sailed as a one design class on a ‘first past the post’ basis – i.e. every boat within a class will use the same handicap.

7 RACING AREAS

7.1 The race area will be within 2 miles of Granton Harbour using RFYC marks.

8 THE COURSES

8.1 The diagrams in Appendix A show the courses, including the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

8.2 The letter and number of the course will be displayed from the committee boat.

8.3 B Courses: Boats MUST NOT pass through the Start Line/Finish Line/Gate on the leg of the course from Mark 1 to Mark 2.

9 MARKS

9.1 RFYC permanent race marks will be used (black cylindrical cans with the mark letter written in white text).

9.2 Start, gate and finish marks – refer to instruction 10.2, 12.1 and 12.2.

10 THE START

10.1 Races will be started by using Rule 26 with the warning signal given 5 minutes before the starting signal.

10.2 The starting line will be between Mark I (i) and an orange spherical buoy.

10.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.

10.4 A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes Rule A4.

11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

11.1 Rules 33 (a)(1), (a)(2) and (b) will not apply.

12 THE GATE & FINISH

12.1 Course A - the gate and finish line will be between Mark I (i) and an orange spherical buoy

12.2 Course B - the gate and finish line will be between Mark I (i) and an orange dahn buoy flying a yellow flag. On completion of each lap boats must pass through the gate.
13 PENALTY SYSTEM
13.1 Rules 44.1 and 44.2 are changed so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required.

14 TIME LIMITS
14.1 Each race is expected to take the leading boat around 45 minutes.
14.2 The time limit for each race is 75 minutes.
14.3 Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat in their class sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes Rules 35 and A4.

15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS
15.1 Protest forms are available at the RFYC office. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
15.2 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the Committee Boat returns to the mooring/pontoon after the last race of the day. [The same time limit applies to protests by the race committee and protest committee about incidents they observe in the racing area and to requests for redress. This changes Rules 61.3 and 62.2.]
15.3 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the RFYC office. The time of any protest hearing will be posted on the notice board.
15.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted on the notice board to inform boats under Rule 61.1(b).
15.5 Breaches of instructions 10.3 and 17.1 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes Rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.
15.6 On Sunday 5 October 2014, a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered;
   (a) within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day or;
   (b) no later than 30 minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day. This changes Rule 66.

16 SCORING
16.1 Scoring will be as per the Low Points System.
16.2 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.

17 RETIRALS
17.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

18 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS
18.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions.

19 INSURANCE
19.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2 million per event or the equivalent.
20 RADIO COMMUNICATION
20.1 A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to other boats.
20.2 The Committee Boat may make announcements to competitors on VHF Channel 37/M1.

21 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY
21.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after any race.
Appendix A: Mid-Firth courses

A courses: (See course chart on the next page)

Note: the gate will be between Mark I (i) and an orange spherical buoy. On completion of each lap, boats must pass between these marks.

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B courses: (See course chart on the next page)

Notes: 1. The Gate is between mark I (i) and an orange dahn buoy flying a yellow flag. On completion of each lap, boats must pass between these marks leaving mark I (i) to port.

2. Boats MUST NOT pass through the Start Line/Finish Line/Gate on the leg of the course from Mark 1 to Mark 2.

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