



RTI Chi Challenge

17th July 2021

Hayling Island Sailing Club

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1. The challenge will be conducted under Collision Regulations; not RRS.
- 1.2. Ensigns shall be worn throughout the challenge

2. COMMUNICATIONS WITH PARTICIPANTS

- 2.1. Communication with participants will be via the RTI chi WhatsApp group.
- 2.2. VHF Channel 37(M) will be used by the organizers to convey information.

3. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 3.1. The race schedule is as follows:

<i>Date:</i>	<i>Start Window:</i>
17 July	03:00 – 10:00

4. THE COURSE

- 4.1. The course shall be to start at CHI race mark in Hayling Bay. The loW should be left to starboard, as must BRIDGE cardinal mark in the Needles channel. Finish at CHI racemark in Hayling Bay

5. THE START

- 5.1. The start is at CHI in Hayling Bay.
- 5.2. The participants may start at any time within the 'start window'.
- 5.3. Participants will take their own time (GPS) when they pass within 10m of the mark with the mark on their beam.

6. THE FINISH

- 6.1. The finish is at CHI in Hayling Bay
- 6.2. Participants will take their own time (GPS) when they pass within 10m of the mark with the mark on their beam. The start time and finish time to be sent to sailingsecretary@hisc.co.uk

7. DECLARATION

- 7.1. Participants will declare their participation, to include all of:
 - 7.1.1. Name of boat.
 - 7.1.2. Time of start (from gps).
 - 7.1.3. Time of finish (from gps) (or 'retired').
 - 7.1.4. Number of minutes of engine usage during the challenge.
- 7.2. By declaring, the participant implicitly declares:
 - 7.2.1. The course was sailed correctly.

7.2.2. The start, finish and engine minutes used are correct.

8. USE OF ENGINE

8.1. The challenge should be conducted under sail alone.

8.2. However, engines can be used subject to the following conditions:

8.2.1. All engine minutes are to be logged and declared with the start and finish times.

8.2.2. For each minute of use, a three minute 'penalty' will be added to the participants elapsed time, before handicap.

9. TIME LIMITS

9.1. The time limit is 22:00 on 17th July 2021. All participants must finish before this time.

10. HANDICAPS

10.1. Each vessel shall be assigned a 'time correction factor'. This is used to multiply the elapsed time by the time correction factor.

10.2. The TCF used shall be the RYAs 'National Handicap for Cruisers' base number.

11. SAFETY REGULATIONS

11.1. The challenge involves several hours in exposed waters with few ports of refuge around the back of the Island.

11.2. Cruisers are advised to be equipped to at least ORC Special Regulations Category 4.

11.3. Cruisers must carry enough fuel to allow them a minimum of 10 hours of engine use to reach a safe haven in the event of adverse conditions.

11.4. A boat that retires from the challenge, or does not intend to start the challenge, shall notify the organizers as soon as possible.

12. RADIO COMMUNICATION

12.1. VHF Channel 37(M) shall be used by competitors to notify retirement.

12.2. The organizers may announce alterations to the event, including abandonment in the event of risk of adverse conditions.

13. RISK STATEMENT

13.1. The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in the challenge or to continue with the challenge is hers alone.

13.2. Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each participant agrees and acknowledges that:

13.2.1. 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;

13.2.2. They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;

13.2.3. They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omission;

13.2.4. Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;

13.2.5. It is their responsibility to familiarize 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.

13.2.6. Their boat is adequately insured, with cover of at least £2 million against third-party claims, or the equivalent in other currencies.

