



SPIRIT YACHTS REGATTA
GUERNSEY YACHT CLUB
14th – 21st AUGUST 2021
NOTICE OF RACE

Spirit Yachts, in partnership with [Locate Guernsey](#), invites you to take part in the Spirit 2021 Regatta

DATES & LOCATION: 14th – 21st August 2021, Guernsey

The Regatta Headquarters will be located at the Guernsey Yacht Club LBG.

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The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the Notice of Race means the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the Protest Committee, be less than disqualification.

1. RULES

- 1.1 Racing will be governed by:
 - (a) The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 (RRS) including the prescriptions of the R.Y.A.
 - (b) 2021 IRC Rules, Parts A, B and C.
- 1.2 The World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) 2020/2021 for Category 4 apply.
- 1.3 World Sailing OSR 3.09.1 (cockpit self-draining capability), 3.09.2 (watertight integrity), 3.09.4 (cockpit sole above LWL) and 3.14 (pulpits stanchions and lifelines) do not apply.
IRC Rule 21.1.5(d) is changed as follows: "during a regatta on consecutive days, including lay-days, the sails on board shall remain the same and be on board for all races, except passage races."

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2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 (Boats/Competitors) shall only display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority. [DP]
3. The organising committee will supply Spirit Yachts flags and Guernsey Yacht club pennants to be flown by participating yachts whilst berthed in St Peter Port Harbour. Spirit Yachts pennants displaying the company logo are to be flown from the backstay whilst racing.

4. ELIGIBILITY

- 4.1 The Spirit 2021 regatta is an invitation event for all Spirit Yachts with a current Spinlock IRC Rating Certificate.
- 4.2 All yachts shall be a minimum of 37 feet length overall. A Spirit yacht, for the purpose of the regatta, is a monohull designed by Sean McMillan and built for recreational purposes in wood/epoxy technique by Spirit Yachts Ltd. between 1993 and 2021.

5. CREW REQUIREMENTS

- 5.1 There shall be no World Sailing Sailor Categorization requirements.
- 5.2 All yachts shall be helmed during racing by the owner or a member of the regular crew, except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee. [DP]

6. ENTRY

- 6.1 The entry forms, a copy of the current Spinlock IRC Rating Certificate and the appropriate entry fee, shall be completed and returned to Spirit Yachts c/o Helen Porter, by 30th June 2021. Late entries will be accepted until 5pm on 30th July 2021; for which there will be an additional late entry fee of £150. Social event tickets cannot be guaranteed for late entries.
- 6.2 Early registration is advised. Entry is guaranteed to those who have had their registration acknowledged.
- 6.3 Contact details for entry submission:
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7. FEES

The entry fee (which excludes the cost of berthing for the regatta) shall be £30 per metre.

8. SCHEDULE OF RACING

- 8.1 The racing schedule is shown in the 'Spirit 2021 Regatta Event Details' document accompanying this NoR.
- 8.2 All times are UTC plus 1 hour (British Summer Time).
- 8.3 On each day of scheduled racing no warning signal will be made after 1400hrs.

9. MEASUREMENT & INSPECTION

- 9.1 All yachts shall have a current Spinlock IRC rating which can be obtained from the RORC Rating Office.
- 9.2 All boats racing shall have a copy of their current Spinlock IRC certificate available for inspection at the regatta headquarters at the time of registration.

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- 9.3 All yachts may be subject to measurement by an official RORC measurer with respect to their IRC certificate and observance of IRC Rule 21.1.5 throughout the regatta.
- 9.4 Entrants shall have a copy of Certificate(s) of Insurance (which must be in English) onboard the yacht at all times during the event.
- 9.5 All yachts shall be equipped with marine VHF radios capable of receiving and transmitting safety and regatta information.
- 9.6 All yachts shall be available for inspection during the regatta by the Technical Committee. Inspection of the minimum equipment, accommodation and safety equipment and measurement may be undertaken between 08.00 and 18.00 on any day during the regatta. This period may be extended in the case of a protest.

10. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 10.1 Sailing Instructions will be available on the regatta website www.spirityachts.com/regatta from 30th June and at registration.

11. VENUE

- 11.1 The venue for the regatta will be St. Peter Port and the race office will be in the Guernsey Yacht Club LBG.
- 11.2 The official notice board is located in the regatta marquee on the Upper Deck of Guernsey Yacht Club.
- 11.3 Racing will take place within the Little Russell and surrounding waters of Guernsey, Herm and Sark.
- 11.4 The recommended charts of the racing area are Admiralty charts 807 and 808 or Admiralty leisure portfolio SC5604.

12. COURSES

- 12.1 The types of courses may include Olympic, windward/leeward, coastal and passage races.
- 12.2 The courses to be sailed will use a combination of specially laid inflatable marks, fixed racing marks and navigation marks. A list of available marks will be included with the Sailing Instructions.
- 12.3 World Sailing RRS Appendix WP (Rules for racing around waypoints) will apply if virtual marks are included in courses. Further information may be found at: <http://www.sailing.org/documents/racingrules/experimental-rules.php>

13. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 13.1 RRS 44 will be changed to a combined system of scoring penalties and penalty turns, details of which will be included in the Sailing Instructions.
- 13.2 RRS Appendix T, Arbitration, will apply.

14. SCORING AND PRIZES

- 14.1 RRS Appendix A, Scoring, will apply.
- 14.2 Finishing times in all races will be calculated using Spinlock IRC TCCs.
- 14.3 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
 - a) When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - b) When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 14.4 An overall regatta trophy will be awarded using a system detailed in the Sailing Instructions.
- 14.5 Trophies will be awarded to the overall winners of the passage races.

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14.6 Prizes will be presented at the Regatta Dinner to be held in the Regency Room, the Old Government House Hotel on Friday 20th August 2021.

14.7 Other prizes may be awarded.

15. **BERTHING**

15.1 Berthing for valid entries has been reserved on the 'walk ashore' pontoon in the pool area of St Peter Port Harbour from 1200 Saturday 14th August to Saturday 21st August inclusive for which there is a separate fee (see entry form for berthing cost details). Additional nights before or after the Regatta to be paid direct to Guernsey Harbours.

15.2 All yachts, unless constrained by depth or length, or with the written permission of the organising authority, shall be berthed on the above pontoon.

15.3 Please follow any directions given by St Peter Port harbour staff or Guernsey Yacht Club officials. All regulations and by-laws of St Peter Port Harbour must be complied with. Refer to <http://www.harbours.gg/> for further information and see also Local Notices to Mariners: <http://www.harbours.gg/Guernsey-Navigation-Warnings-Notices>. Local Notices to Mariners are also posted on the notice board in Guernsey Yacht Club LBG.

15.4 Vessels over 20 metres (67 feet) shall comply with Guernsey VTS regulations and traffic management.

16. **HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS**

16.1 Yachts shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee. [DP]

17. **DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS**

17.1 Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around competing yachts between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta, except with the written permission of the race committee for the purposes of checking for damage. [DP]

17.2 Diving or swimming within the confines of St Peter Port Harbour is strictly forbidden, except by diving companies licensed and authorised by Guernsey Harbours. Diving or swimming around yachts is allowed at anchor in Havelet Bay nearby. See: <http://www.harbours.gg/code-of-practice>

18. **RADIO COMMUNICATIONS**

18.1 Except in an emergency or when initiated or approved by the race committee, a yacht that is racing shall neither make nor receive voice or data transmissions that is not available to all boats or that would constitute outside assistance. [DP]

18.2 On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF radio channel 37A/M1.

19. **MEDIA**

Competitors automatically grant to the Organizing Authority, without payment, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed video or television of or relating to the event, provided that they do not infringe the privacy rights of participants.

20. **PRIVACY**

Spirit Yachts Ltd and the Guernsey Yacht Club LBG, in compliance with General Data Protection Regulations 2018 (GDPR) will use information provided by competitors for the purposes of Spirit Yachts

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Ltd and Guernsey Yacht Club LBG event management only. This data will be held in compliance with the GDPR and will not be shared with any third parties or used for marketing purposes other than contacting competitors by email, post, SMS and telephone with information regarding this event or future events. Competitors will be required to provide their specific consent to this on their entry form.

21. RISK STATEMENT

21.1 Rule 3 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a yacht's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

21.2 Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore 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 yacht 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
- (h) They are responsible for ensuring that their boat is equipped and seaworthy so as to be able to face extremes of weather; that there is a crew sufficient in number, experience and fitness to withstand such weather; and that the safety equipment is properly maintained, stowed and in date and is familiar to the crew.

22. INSURANCE

All entrants shall be covered by a minimum third-party liability indemnity of £3 million and declare that such cover will be maintained in full force throughout the event.

23. FURTHER INFORMATION

Further information, requests or completed entries should be sent to the address below.

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