



2026 HAMBLE CLASSICS REGATTA

Hosted by the HRSC (sailing) and RAFYC (social)

5th – 6th SEPTEMBER

Appendix A – Yacht Eligibility Rules

PROVISIONAL EXTRACT FROM THE NOTICE OF RACE (NoR)

This Appendix is referred to in Section 4 of the Notice of Race

- A1 **To be eligible to enter**, boats must fit within the following categories:
- A1.1 Yachts and Dayboats, including one-design classes, of traditional 'Classic Style', of pre-1971 design, and built of traditional wood construction. There is no restriction on build date.
- A1.2 GRP and composite versions of the above category (A1.1) and with no restriction on build date.
- A1.3 International Rule (Metre Rule) class yachts (with age divisions for racing if viable and agreed with the classes.)
- A1.4 Spirit of Tradition (Modern Classic) Yachts and Dayboats with an IRC rating TCC 1.040 (tbc) and above.
- A1.5 Gaff Rigged Yachts of traditional style with no restriction on design age, build date or construction. Includes OGA classes, traditional working boats, spirit of tradition, and those designed and built primarily for racing.
- A2 **Entry by Special Invitation** – for a boat that does not fit the categories in A1 above but may fit the categories in A2, before entering the owner must apply to Hamble Classics for an invitation. Applications will be given full consideration but the decision of Hamble Classics will be final. Please contact Jonty Sherwill at Hamble Classics to discuss your boat. Email: jonty@sherwilldesign.com or Tel: 01329 835161 or 07885 414081.
- A2.1 Yachts and Dayboats of pre-1971 design built only in GRP or of Aluminium construction.
- A2.2 Spirit of Tradition (Modern Classic) Yachts and Dayboats of IRC rating TCC 1.040 (tbc) and below.
- A2.3 Light displacement/ planing type Yachts & Dayboats of 'Classic Style' with single fixed keel & through-hull rudderstock.
- A2.4 Within each of categories A2.2 and A2.3 a minimum of four entries competing is required.
- A3 In categories A1.1 to A1.4, A2.1 and A2.2 boats are to be of displacement type and single keel design (with or without centreboard).
- A4 Entries in categories A1.1, A1.2 and A2.1 will be in a single group before class divisions are arranged. If four or more yachts with GRP hulls are entered a separate class for racing may be considered.
- A5 The inclusion of invited entries will not be subject to protest from other yachts.
- A6 Entries in categories A1.3, A1.4, A2.2 and A2.3 will race as separate classes or as directed by Hamble Classics working with the OA and PRO.
- A7 Entries will not be accepted from boats with trapezes or those deemed by the OA to be unsuitable.
- A8 As directed other suitable entries may race with boats in categories A1.4, A2.2 and A2.3.
- A9 Gaff Rigged yachts may request to race in another appropriate class at the discretion of the OA.
- A10 Folkboats – a minimum of four GRP Nordic Folkboats competing may have a separate class. For other types, wooden Nordic, British, and International IF (GRP) it is intended that these will race in the Regatta handicap class or as directed by Hamble Classics working with the OA and PRO.
- A11 **Size and draft:** The Hull Length (length on deck) range for competing yachts is between 6 and 22 metres and the draft limit is 2.8 metres. However a yacht that exceeds the upper figures may request to take part. The decision of Hamble Classics working with the OA and PRO will be final.
- Note: If your boat falls slightly outside the above criteria please contact Jonty Sherwill at Hamble Classics to discuss your boat. Applications will be given full consideration but the decision of Hamble Classics will be final. Email: jonty@sherwilldesign.com or Tel: 01329 835161 or 07885 414081.

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