

2018 Moray Firth Cruiser Race

Saturday 14 July 2018

Starting at Cromarty Boat Club

Race management by Invergordon Boating Club

Sailing Instructions / Notice of Race

1. RULES

Racing will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing [RRS], the prescriptions of the RYA and the rules of the appropriate classes, except any of these that are changed by these sailing instructions.

2. CHANGES TO INSTRUCTIONS

May be carried out up to 15 minutes prior to the start signal. Such change will be carried out by hoisting Flag L followed by hail or VHF channel 37 (M1).

3. SAFETY

Yachts shall comply with ISAF Special Regulations Category 5 [Appendix J refers]. This regulation contains the clause:-
Responsibility of person in charge. The safety of a yacht and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the person in charge who must do his/her best to ensure that the yacht is fully found, thoroughly seaworthy and manned by an experienced crew who have undergone appropriate training and are physically fit to face bad weather. He must be satisfied as to the soundness of the hull, spars, rigging, sails and all gear. He must ensure that all safety equipment is properly maintained and stowed and that the crew know where it is kept and how it is to be used.

Each boat must have Third Party Insurance for £2,000,000.

4. HANDICAPS

Shall be by the current edition of the CYCA handbook. Yachts with no known handicap shall have a handicap allocated at the discretion of The Race Officer.

5. CLASSES

CLASS 1 [Numeral pennant 1] – For vessels with a CYCA handicap up to and including 21 minutes

CLASS 2 [Numeral pennant 2] – For vessels with a CYCA handicap of 21.25 and over.

The organisers reserve the right to modify the class split dependant on entries

6. MARKS

Fairways Buoy	57 39' 96N	03 54' 19W
Cromarty Bank	57 40' 66N	03 56' 78W
Cromarty Harbour	57 41' 00N	04 02' 35W
Riff Bank East	57 38' 38N	03 58' 15W
Buss Bank	57 40' 97N	03 59' 54W
3 Kings	57 43' 73N	03 54' 25W
Navity Bank	57 38' 18N	04 01' 18W

7. START LINE

Between the mast of the Cromarty Boat Club tower and an ODM approximately 1 cable north.

8. FINISH LINE

As per start line

9. COURSES

Course 1 or 2 will be indicated from the Cromarty Boat Club Tower

Class 1 Course 1

Start
Natal Starboard
Buss Bank Port
3 Kings Starboard
Fairway Starboard
Navity Starboard
Cromarty Bank Port
Finish

Class 1 Course 2

Start
Cromarty Bank Starboard
Navity Bank Port
Riff Bank East Port
Fairway Port
Finish

Class 2 Course 1

Start
Natal Starboard
Nigg Sands East Starboard
Fairway Starboard
Riff Bank East Starboard
Finish

Class 2 Course 2

Start
Cromarty Bank Starboard
Riff Bank East Port
Fairway Port
Buss Bank Port
Finish

10. START TIME

For all yachts: 1100

The warning signal for all classes will be flag Y

The warning signal will be 5 minutes prior to the start, in accordance with Rule 26.

11. RECALL

No recall numbers will be given

12. TIME LIMIT

For all classes is 7 hours

13. RETIRALS

Yachts that retire during the race shall inform the race officer at Cromarty on VHF Channel 37 (M1) and should not cross the finish line.

14. ENTRIES

Entry to be made on the entry form supplied

The fee is to be £10

15. ENTRY FORMS TO: -

Dave Bilsland at davebilsland@gmail.com 07870 492674

16. RADIO

Radio communications

The race office will be using channel 37 (M1)

Prizegiving:

Will be as soon as possible after the last boat finishes and will be presented in the Royal Hotel.