



**Dabchicks Sail East Regatta**  
**24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup> May 2014**  
**NOTICE of RACE**

**1. Organizing Authority**

The Organizing Authority is Dabchicks Sailing Club

**2. Rules**

- 2.1 The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2013-2016, together with the RYA Prescriptions thereto.
- 2.2. Rule 52 (manual power) shall not apply
- 2.3. Automatic mechanical and wind vane devices for steering are prohibited
- 2.4. 2014 IRC Rules parts A.B.C shall apply with the following exceptions. IRC Rule 22.4 shall not apply. .
- 2.5. With the permission of the IRC Rating Authority, IRC Rule 8.2 is modified to include GBR boats holding Limited Validity IRC TCCs.

**3. Advertising**

Advertising in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20 is permitted.

**4. Eligibility**

- 4.1. The regatta is open to any monohull yacht over 6 metres LOA holding a valid 2013 IRC certificate
- 4.2. All boats shall have a functional motor and adequate fuel to motor to and from the Race area each day
- 4.3. All boats shall have a functional marine VHF radio transceiver capable of operating channels 16, 37a, 71, 72,77,80
- 4.4. Safety equipment – all boats shall be fully equipped in accordance with ORC Category 5.

**5. Fees**

- 5.1. Entire Regatta £60.00
- 5.2. Individual Races £25 each
- 5.3. Weekend moorings £30.00

**6. Entry**

- 6.1. Completed entry forms accompanied by a valid 2014 IRC certificate ( Not applicable if sailing with a limited validity TCC) and appropriate entry fees must be received by the organizing authority no later than 21<sup>st</sup> May 2014.
- 6.2. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the race committee.

**7. Divisions**

<b>Class 1</b>	0.986 and above
<b>Class 2</b>	0.911-0.985
<b>Class 3</b>	0.750-0.910

**8. Race Programme**

Date	First Warning Signal	
	Race	
Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	1	10:25
	2	After race 1
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> May	3	10:25

**9. Sailing Instructions**

- 9.1. The sailing Instructions will be available from the Race Office from Noon on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May, and from the regatta web page on [www.Dabchicks.org](http://www.Dabchicks.org)

## 10. Race Area

- 10.1. Races will be held in the River Blackwater estuary.
- 10.2 Courses may be of windward/leeward or round-the-cans type.
- 10.3 Rhumb lines between marks may not be navigable. Boats with extreme draft (over 8 feet) should note that they may experience some difficulties in sailing the course at certain states of the tide and should bear this in mind when considering whether or not to race. Racing will not be postponed or rescheduled to take into account boats with extreme drafts which cannot reasonably complete a course using all the marks, as described in the SI's

## 11. Haul Out Restrictions

Yachts shall not be hauled out nor shall underwater breathing apparatus, plastic pools or their equivalent be used around yachts between the warning signal for the first race and the end of the regatta without the written permission of the race committee.

## 12. Radio Communication

Except in an emergency, a boat while racing shall neither make nor receive, radio communication not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

## 13. Scoring

- 13.1 The regatta will be scored using the Low Point System provided in Appendix A of RRS.
- 13.2 All races to count for the regatta.
- 13.3 Scoring for the series will be in accordance with the SailEAST NoR.  
*This changes RRS Appendix A.*

## 14 Trophies and Prizes

Trophies and prizes shall be awarded each day after racing for various races and classes. Overall trophies and prizes shall be awarded after racing on Sunday.

## 15. Risk Statement

- 15.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk, see RRS rule

4, Decision to Race. Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of Risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- 15.1.1. 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 while taking part in the event
- 15.1.2. They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore.
- 15.1.3. They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions
- 15.1.4. Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate
- 15.1.5. The provision of, actions by, of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.
- 15.1.6. Competitors 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.

## 16. Insurance

- 16.1. Each participating yacht shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2million per event or equivalent in any currency.

## 17. Further Information

Further information is available on the Regatta web page on [www.Dabchicks.org](http://www.Dabchicks.org).