


Ancasta
INTERNATIONAL BOAT SALES
2026 Offshore Series



RCYC Sailing Ltd
ANCASTA ROSCOFF RACE
Friday 8th to Saturday 9th May 2026
(an element of the COGS Offshore Series 2026)
Organizing Authority: RCYC Sailing Ltd
Greenbank, Falmouth, Cornwall, UK
www.royalcornwallyachtclub.org/ email: contact@rcycsailing.org

NOTICE OF RACE

Abbreviations: [DP] – Rules for which the penalties are at the discretion of the protest committee.
[NP] - means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The race will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) 2025-28.
- 1.2 The sailing instructions will replace rules of RRS part 2 by the right of way rules of the International Rules for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea (IRPCAS) for parts of the race.
- 1.3 World Sailing Offshore Special Regs (OSR) 2026-27 Cat 3 with life raft (for all crew) will apply.
- 1.4 Local regulations will apply concerning safe navigation in close proximity of large vessels restricted in their ability to manoeuvre, and dive vessels. Full details will be given in the SIs.
- 1.5 The sailing instructions may change other rules.
- 1.6 RRS 63.5 (c) is changed to permit a rule in the Sailing Instructions to take precedence over a rule in the Notice of Race.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions may be downloaded from the following websites by midday on Tuesday 5th May:

- i) RCYC website – [www.royalcornwallyachtclub.org/On the Water/Racing Events/COGS Racing Events](http://www.royalcornwallyachtclub.org/On%20the%20Water/Racing%20Events/COGS%20Racing%20Events)
- ii) COGS website – www.cogsracing.org.uk

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official noticeboard is located at www.cogsracing.org.uk
- 3.2 Competitors will be alerted by the COGS WhatsApp group to any changes or new notices being posted. The race committee may also use WhatsApp to make other courtesy announcements concerning the event. Boats should register at least one device to receive WhatsApp.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee may make courtesy and safety broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel(s) will be stated in the SIs.

- 3.4 [DP] Except in an emergency, from the first warning signal until the end of the race a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to paid up entrants of COGS with mono-hull boats that:
- are seaworthy boats (World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) 2026-2027 Section 3) with hull length between 7.85m and 18.5m inclusive.
 - are sailed fully crewed or “short-handed (single-or two-handed)”
 - have a current and valid 2026 IRC primary certificate or short-handed certificate. Changes to the rating will not be permitted after this date except as a result of a rating protest or to correct rating office errors.
- 4.2 All entries shall be submitted on-line at www.cogsracing.org.uk prior to Thursday 7th May.
- 4.3 An entry is not complete until:
- the entry fee has been paid in full to COGS.
 - a copy of the IRC certificate has been submitted on-line to COGS at entries@cogsracing.org
 - a crew list has been submitted to the Organising Authority (OA). The crew list shall identify the designated “deputy person-in-charge” should the person-in-charge become incapacitated, and shall contain full emergency shore contact details. The form will be available for download at www.royalcornwallyachtclub.org/On the Water/Racing Events/COGS Racing Events and shall be submitted to contact@rcycsailing.org
 - a parental (or guardian) consent form and declaration has been submitted to COGS (who forward on to the OA) for crew age 18 and under. The form will be available for download at www.cogsracing.org.uk
- 4.4 Customs Requirements: Entrants shall be responsible for complying with all UK and French customs, passport and visa requirements especially on entry into French territorial waters/ports. All skippers and crew members must carry a valid Passport.

5 FEES

The entry fee for this race is included in the COGS overall entry fee – see COGS NOR para 6.

6 CREW LIMITATIONS

IRC rule 22.4 will not apply. There will be no limitations on crew number or weight.

7 ADVERTISING

- 7.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by COGS.
- 7.2 IRC Rules Part D will not apply.

8 QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES – not used

9 SCHEDULE

Date	Activity	Time
Friday 8th May	IRC 1 warning signal	18:25 BST
	IRC 2 warning signal	18:30 BST
Saturday 9th May	Race time limit	17:00 BST
	Deadline for submitting finish declarations on the COGS Chat Whatsapp group.	17:15 BST
	Prize-giving	Evening 9 th May

10 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 10.1 Each boat shall be able to produce or verify the existence of a valid and current IRC certificate.
- 10.2 Boats may be inspected at any time. The fact that race officials may conduct inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this NOR.

11 CLOTHING & EQUIPMENT – not used

12 VENUE

- 12.1 NOR Addendum A shows the plan of event.
- 12.2 The race office will be situated at the Royal Cornwall Yacht Club.

13 COURSES

- 13.1 The start area will be in Falmouth harbour off the eastern shore of Pendennis Point.
- 13.2 Courses will be from the Start to the Finish.
- 13.3 The finish line will be at the IALA east cardinal buoy “Astan” north of Bloscon Marina.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

For all boats RRS 44.1 is changed so that a Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by a One-Turn Penalty.

15 SCORING

- 15.1 RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 15.2 Series scoring will be in accordance with COGS NOR para 7.

16 SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS – not used

17 CHARTERED OR LOAN VESSELS – not used

18 BERTHING

- 18.1 In Falmouth:
Visiting boats will need to arrange their own berthing before and after the race. Berthing is available at Port Pendennis marina (www.portpendennis.com), the Falmouth Haven Marina (www.falmouthhaven.co.uk/moorings/introduction/), and Falmouth Marina (www.premiermarinas.com/pages/falmouth_marina). Visitors swinging moorings are also available in Falmouth inner harbour (www.falmouthhaven.co.uk/moorings/introduction/).
- 18.2 In Bloscon Marina:
Berthing has been arranged for competing yachts and berthing fees should be paid at the Marina office. More information about Bloscon Marina at <http://plaisancehautfinistere.bzh/en/port-of-roscoff-bloscon/>

19 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS – not used

20 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS – not used

21 DATA PROTECTION AND MEDIA RIGHTS

- 21.1 The personal information you provide to the OA will be used to facilitate your participation in the event. If you have agreed to be bound by the RRS and the other rules that govern the event (the rules), the legal basis for processing that personal information is contract. If you are not bound by the rules, the legal basis for processing that personal information is legitimate interest. Your personal information will be stored and used in accordance with the OA's privacy policy. When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with the RYA, your national authority and/or World Sailing. The results of the events and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.
- 21.2 Competitors and/or their Guardians automatically grant to the organising authority and any party to which they may delegate this right, without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show (including via the internet), any motion pictures, still pictures, live, taped or filmed television or any other form of media, of or relating to the event.

22 RISK STATEMENT

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

23 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 per incident or the equivalent. Competitors will be required to sign a declaration to this effect at registration.

24 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded for 1st to 3rd places in each class (IRC 1, IRC 2, IRC 1 short-handed, IRC 2 short-handed).

25 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please visit the RCYC website, contact the main office: Tel: +44 (0)1326 312 126, Fax: +44 (0)1326 211 614 or email: contact@rcycsailing.org

NOR Addendum A

Venue



- 1 - Royal Cornwall Yacht Club
- 2 - Port Pendennis marina
- 3 - Falmouth Yacht Haven
- 4 - Falmouth Marina