

EDYC - PEEL RACE, SATURDAY 2nd JULY 2016

Sailing Instructions

High water Strangford 11:53 BST

High water Peel 22:38 BST

Peel flap gate open approx. 2.5hrs either side of HW Peel.

<https://www.gov.im/categories/travel-traffic-and-motoring/harbours/tides-and-flapgates/>

This race, from East Down Yacht Club, Strangford Lough, to Peel Harbour, Isle of Man, is open to yachts registered with the Strangford Lough Regatta Conference.

Rules - Racing shall be in accordance with current ISAF racing rules of sailing, the prescriptions of the RYA and these sailing instructions.

Safety - All yachts should be equipped to the level of RORC Category 3.

Classes

- Class 1. Yachts sailing under the IRC Rating Authority Scheme (these yachts must have a current IRC certificate, a copy of which, if the TCC is not as listed in the SLRC regatta web site, must be presented to the Race Officer before the race starts).
- Class 2 and 3. Yachts sailing under the National Handicap for Cruisers (NHC) as listed in the SLRC regatta WEB site ref NHCAllocations on <http://www.strangfordloughregattas.co.uk/>.

Class Flags

Class 1 - IRC yachts - Numeral Pennant 1

Class 2 - NHC yachts - Numeral Pennant 2

Class 3 - NHC Restricted Sail yachts – Numeral Pennant 3

Each yacht must display the appropriate class code flag from the backstay or stern rigging in a conspicuous position.

Warning signals and Start Times NB *Class 3 starts before Class 2 which starts before Class 1*
Warning signal for each succeeding class shall be made 5 minutes after the starting signal of the preceding class.

Class	Starting signal	Code flag
Class 3	11:10	Numeral 3
Class 2	11:20	Numeral 2
Class 1	11:30	Numeral 1

Starting Line - Between the stern mast of the EDYC Committee Boat and Mark E.

Course - The first mark of the course will be within Strangford Lough and will be displayed on the Committee Boat - a red card requires the indicated mark to be rounded to port, a green card to starboard. Thereafter the course is to Peel Harbour.

Finishing Line - The Finishing Line is a line extending from the Easterly end of the breakwater at Peel harbour and in-line with the breakwater. The outer limit is 200m from the light on the breakwater.

Finish Time - Yachts are required to record their own finish time (local time preferably confirmed from satellite) and to pass the yacht name and finish time to the race organisers within the marina. Competitors are also asked to note the finish times of other yachts which they can observe. A race official may be present working as a timekeeper

Time Limit - The time limit for all yachts will be 20:30 BST.

Retirements - Any yacht retiring should advise the Race Organisers, using VHF Channel 37 or other appropriate means.

Race Organisers - During the race period the organisers contacts are

- Grant McCullough 07740857777
- James Curran 07887707913
- Peel shore team may be contacted on VHF channel 37 callsign EDYC Committee.

Abandonment - In the event of unsuitable conditions the race may be abandoned. This will be signalled by the flying of code flag 'N' from the EDYC flagpole and, if possible, from the mast of the EDYC committee boat. The race committee will also broadcast on Channel 37 as soon as the decision to abandon the race has been made. The race officer may decide to offer a race within Strangford Lough if the Peel race is cancelled.

If the decision to abandon the race is made in the days prior to Sat 2nd, this will be publicised on the EDYC website.

Results - Results will be posted at Peel Sailing Club as soon as possible after the finish time of the last boat.

Prizegiving - (including refreshment) will take place in the Sailing Club at 21:00.

Fees - £10 entry fee to be paid to race organiser in Peel.

Awards - To the first yacht in each class as follows:

- Classes 1&2: Shared EDYC Peel Race perpetual trophy (to be engraved and remain in the Club's possession) and replicas.
- Class 3: an award

Berthing Information - The race entries will receive favourable fees in the marina - Yachts should endeavour to reserve appropriate marina berths in the inner harbour/marina. Yachts arriving prior to the flap gate being lowered should tie up in the outer harbour and request berthing information from the Harbour Master.

For all other information regarding access, berthing fees etc. at Peel Marina, contact Peel Harbour Master Office 01624 842338 Peel Harbour Office calls on 842338, Mobile 495036 & VHF Radio Ch.12 during office hours.

Further Information - <http://www.sailingtoday.co.uk/cruising/gulls-eye/gulls-eye-peel-harbour/>
The above is a good link - has video and aerial photo of Peel Harbour. 2015 race times were between 4 hrs 35 mns and 5 hrs 30 mns.