Cape 31 UK Round 6 Appendix Vice Admirals Cup





Notice of Race ('NoR')

5 – 7 September 2025

The Organising Authority ('OA') is the Royal Thames Yacht Club (RTYC) in conjunction with the UK Cape 31 Regional Class Authority.

The notation 'NP' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule this changes RRS 60.1.

This Appendix forms an integral part of the Notice of Race for the Cape 31 UK Race Circuit 2025: https://cms.cape31class.com/racing/series/8 ('Circuit NoR')

A term in *italics* refers to a definition in the World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing 2025 – 2028 ('RRS') and other than a title, a term in **bold** refers to a definition in the World Sailing Equipment Rules of Sailing 2025 - 2028 ('ERS').

1. Rules

- 1.1. In addition to section 1 of the Circuit NoR the following shall apply:
- 1.1.1. Southampton Harbour General Directions Effective 21 May 2025 (https://www.southamptonvts.co.uk/Admin/content/files/General%20Directions/S OU-HM-GUI-001%20General%20Directions%202025%20-%20Final.pdf).

Particular attention is drawn to General Direction 10 (Precautionary Area)

2. Sailing Instructions

2.1. The Sailing Instructions ('SIs') shall be available no later than Wednesday 3 September on the online ONB.

3. Communication

- 3.1. The ONB for this Round shall be online available at https://cms.cape31class.com/racing/regatta/52.
- 3.2. All boats shall carry a marine VHF radio capable of receiving international channels. All VHF communication shall be on International VHF channels.

3.3. On the water, the Race Committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The possible channels to be used will be stated in the SIs.

4. Eligibility and Entry

4.1. Eligible boats and charterers may enter by completing online registration at https://cms.cape31class.com/racing/regatta/52 by the 29 August.

5. Fees

- 5.1. The entry fee for this Round is £350 which is payable direct to the RTYC by Stripe (https://pci.jotform.com/form/252334428068054).
- 5.2. This entry fee includes:
- 5.2.1. Race Management including use of official vessels; and
- 5.2.2. Prizes.

6. Crew Limitations

6.1. See Circuit NoR 6.

7. Advertising

7.1. See Circuit NoR 7.

8. Qualifying Seres and Final Series

8.1. Not Used.

9. Schedule

9.1. The following is the intended schedule (times are in UTC +1).

Event	Date	Time
Morning brief via Telegram	5 September	10:00
First warning signal (Races 1, 2 and 3)	5 September	11:25
Morning brief via Telegram	6 September	09:00
First warning signal (Races 4, 5 and 6)	6 September	TBC
Morning brief via Telegram	7 September	09:00
First warning signal (Races 7. 8 and 9)	7 September	TBC
Last warning signal (no warning signal shall be made after)	7 September	15:00
Prizegiving at RTYC	7 September	ASAP

10. Equipment Inspection

- 10.1. Boats shall be subject to post race inspection and crew weighing as specified in the Sailing Instructions.
- 10.2. The fact that race officials may conduct inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor under the *rules*.

11. Clothing and Equipment

11.1. See Circuit NoR 11.

12. Venue

12.1. Racing shall take place from a Committee Vessel in the central Solent.

13. Course

13.1. See Circuit NoR 13.

14. Penalty System

14.1. Hearings will be held in the RTYC as soon as practical after racing.

15. Scoring

15.1. See Circuit NoR 15.

16. Support Person Vessels

16.1. Support Person Vessels shall carry appropriate marine VHF equipment to be able to receive communications on all international VHF channels.

17. Chartered or Loaned Boats

17.1. Not Used.

18. Berthing

- 18.1. Berthing is not included in the entry fee.
- 18.2. Boats shall berth as directed by the OA.

19. Haul out Restrictions

19.1. See Circuit NoR 19.

20. Diving Equipment and Plastic Pools

20.1. Not Used.

21. Data Protection

21.1. See Circuit NoR 21.

22. Risk Statement

22.1. See Circuit NoR 22.

23. Insurance

23.1. Each participating boat shall be adequately insured, with cover of at least £5,000,000.00 against third party claims per claim.

24. Prizes

- 24.1. Prizes will be awarded for the 1st, 2nd and 3rd overall 'Open' and 'Corinthian' teams.
- 24.2. In addition, there will be a prize awarded to the top overall placed 'new' owner which has not competed in a Cape 31 as an owner as defined in class rule C.2.3(c)(i) or (ii) prior to 2025.

25. Further Information

25.1. For further information regarding the Round, emails may be sent to team@cape31class.com and Tim.Hancock@royalthames.com.