



Transatlantic Race 2015

Newport, RI to Lizard Point, UK

Amendment #1 to the NOTICE OF RACE

CHANGE NOR 6.1 to read as follows:

- 6.1 The following division descriptions will be used as guidelines by the OA to assign yachts to appropriate divisions to ensure even competition. The racing fleet ~~will~~ may be divided into ~~four~~ six divisions: IRC Racing, IRC Racer Cruiser, Classics, Cruisers, Super Yachts and Multihull/Open Class. Additional Divisions may be added at the discretion of the OA. The OA may be further organize the Divisions into Classes within a Division. Division and Class assignments by the OA, including the starting dates, are final and are not subject to protest.

DELETE the last sentence in NOR 6.3

- 6.3 *IRC Racer Cruiser Division* will be composed of yachts with a design date or design concept of 1970 or later. These are yachts that show moderate to heavy displacement, moderate draft and moderate sail area to displacement. ~~A Super Yacht class may be designated by the OA and may be scored by a handicap rating other than IRC as determined by the OA.~~

ADD new NOR 6.5 and 6.6 as follows:

- 6.5 *Cruiser Division* yachts will be defined as yachts primarily used for cruising with a LOA under 85 feet. Sail and whisker pole limitations are described in NOR Addendum A.
- 6.6 *Super Yacht Division* will be comprised of yachts with a LOA greater than 100 feet who do not choose to enter in one of the other divisions. Super Yachts with a LOA less than 100 feet may be approved by the OA. The Super Yacht class may be scored by a handicap rating other than IRC as determined by the OA.

RENUMBER the following paragraphs as NOR 6.7 to 6.10:

- 6.7 *Open Division* – Multihulls, Class yachts and Open yachts may be placed in their own respective classes and will be governed by their class rules or handicap rating other than IRC.
- 6.8 *Youth Entry* – A yacht with at least 50% of her crew age 25 or younger on the date of that yacht's start shall be considered a youth entry. A trophy may be awarded to the highest placing youth entry.
- 6.9 *Team Entry* – Two or more yacht teams representing a Yacht Club or OA-approved organization may enter to compete for the Team Trophy.
- 6.10 Division and class assignments, as well as the assignment for each class to Start I, Start II or Start III, will be posted no later than May 1, 2015. The OA may provide provisional assignments prior to that date.



DELETE NOR 13.2 and REPLACE with:

13.2 **Waiver/Release Form** - As a condition of entry, the owner or charterer of an entered yacht and each participating crew member shall submit an online waiver/release form no later than two days prior to that yacht's start.

ADD NOR Addendum A as follows:

NOR Addendum A – CRUISER DIVISION LIMITATIONS

1. The following limitations apply to the Cruiser Division:
 - a. Whisker poles
 - i. Whisker poles longer than “J” are not permitted for winging out jibs.
 - ii. Headsails shall not be winged out on the same side as the mainsail.
 - iii. The whisker pole shall not be used to shift the tack of the spinnaker, nor for sheeting the spinnaker.
 - iv. A winged-out jib shall not be flown at the same time as the cruising asymmetrical spinnaker.
 - b. Spinnaker
 - i. A yacht may carry only one declared asymmetrical cruising spinnaker for use while racing. The tack of this spinnaker shall be attached at the centreline of the yacht. The tack may be at the stem, end of a bowsprit, or the end of a sprit permanently installed at the bow of the yacht for the purpose of tacking down an asymmetrical cruising spinnaker.
 - ii. The spinnaker must be made of nylon or polyester.
 - c. Headsails
 - i. Only one headsail may be set on a given forestay at a time.
 - ii. Luffs of headsails must be fully attached to a forestay.