

NOTICE OF RACE AND SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
NWNW 2025 at OVERY STAITHE
Wednesday 13 August 2025

This Notice of Race and set of sailing instructions cover the specifics of this race and are a supplement to the general set of sailing instructions for the event.

Notice of Race

There is no clubhouse at Overy Staithe but the Sailing Club have kindly been loaned part of the Boathouse for the event and competitors have use of Dowley's Field for parking of boats, cars and trailers on Tuesday and Wednesday. Please head to the field when you first arrive at Overy and remember that it is a one way road, entering opposite The Hero. The entrance to the field is just before the cottages on the right hand side of the road and it is a sharp turn which can be made more difficult by parked cars in the area. If in doubt unhitch and walk your trailer in!

The tide is likely to be quite a high one (8.9m) and as a result the hard will flood. Please do not leave cars on the hard. It would be appreciated if the fleet could launch from the hard leaving the quay and slipway clear for club boats and powered craft to launch.



There are no changing facilities or showers. By kind permission of the Boathouse competitors have access to the toilet at the rear of the boathouse during the event. Donations to the RNLI are much appreciated – there's a collection point in the loo!

High water is at 9.54am, racing will start at 8.30am and you should allow at least 20 minutes to sail to the race area in the harbour.

The club noticeboard is on the grass bank near the Boathouse, there will be a briefing outside the Boathouse at 07.30am.

Sailing Instructions

Registration – please ensure that you have registered to compete, either via the main NWNW entry or by entry on the day, and confirm you are intending to race before going afloat. This is for safety reasons so that we know how many craft are involved in the race.

1.0 Start Time

The first fleet start time is 08.30 with the second fleet following 3 minutes later. There will be 2 starts.

There will be a briefing outside the Boathouse at 7.30am.

2.0 Courses

The course will be set in the harbour and will use yellow pillar marks. The course will be either advised at the briefing or displayed on the Committee Boat. It is intended to set a 'triangle sausage' course. This will be confirmed at the briefing.

3.0 Hazards and Obstructions

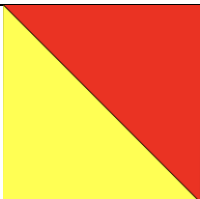
Please note that all the bladder buoys marking the groynes (pink to port, green to starboard) must be passed on the main channel side.

There is a club race which will be running at the same time, please do not foul their race. It is likely that they will be using a starting line from the sea wall, we hope that our start time will allow you all to safely pass that area ahead of their start. Please be aware that they may be finishing their race at the time we are returning to shore and avoid fouling them.

The safety boat(s) are to be regarded as obstructions when attending to safety duties or when undertaking duties associated with the start and finish lines.

4.0 Starting

The start line will be between the Committee boat (Stiffkey Cockle 'Tickle') and a Dan buoy with an orange flag, with the start sequence as per the NWNSA General Sailing Instructions. The N12's will use code flag O and the Allcomers Fleet will use code flag R.

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5.0 Finishing

The finishing line will be between the committee boat (or other boat) flying a blue flag and a mark of the course.

6.0 Time limits

No boat will be allowed to start more than 2 minutes after their start.

7.0 Scoring

As per NWNSA General Instructions

Other Useful Information

Ferries run to Scolt Head and will provide those supporting the competitors to get out to Scolt Head and watch the sailing from the beach there. If you take your dog with you out to Scolt Head please keep it on a lead.

The Boathouse has a machine offering a range of hot drinks and it takes card and cash payments.