

RTYC - STANDARD SAFETY REGULATIONS 2009

ORC CATEGORY SAFETY CHECK FORM FOR RTYC SERIES RACES.

All RTYC Club series races are run using minimum safety requirements which accord broadly with ORC Category 4 and ORC Category 3 Safety Regulations (but often deleting requirements for navigation lights and with reduced structural requirements). Category 4 is to be used for all races except the RTYC Offshore series, which requires additional equipment in line with Category 3. Competitors should refer to the RORC stability values, boats with an "SSS" value of less than 20 will not be allowed to compete in RTYC Offshore Series races. Full details of ORC Categories are available from the RORC, 20 St James's Place, London SW1A 1NN Tel: 020 7493 2248. However to assist competitors, key elemental headings of the ORC Category 4 requirements are summarised on this page. Please note this list is not definitive and does not in any way constitute any amendment to any Sailing Instructions or Notice of Race to which competitors must refer.

Important:

Please note that this form must be completed and returned to the RTYC sailing office prior to any results being given in any Club series race.

Any yachts found on inspection not to have ALL the equipment listed below will be called before the sailing committee and may be disqualified from all previous races during the season. They shall not be eligible to enter further club races until a new safety check form has been satisfactorily completed.

Safety Check Sheet Cat 3 & Cat 4 for RTYC Series Racing			
Rule		Cat 3	Cat 4
3.05	Means of blocking main companionway operable from above and below and secured to yacht	✓	✓
3.11	Taut continuous multi strand steel wire lifelines around working deck no less than 18" high (Max 50mm/2" deflection) Lifelines must be continuous around the stern.	✓	✓
3.12	A toe rail around the foredeck complying with the regulations.	✓	N/A
3.19	Compass , one marine magnetic compass	✓	✓
	Spare compass independent of any power supply	✓	N/A
3.22	Two independent sets of navigation lights.	✓	N/A
4.14	Emergency steering - Spare tiller.	✓	N/A
	Alternative methods of steering without a rudder.	✓	✓
4.15	A hacksaw or bolt cropper which can be used to sever the rigging.	✓	✓
4.21	Lifebuoy with the yachts name.	✓	✓
	Lifebuoy must be equipped with a drogue, a self igniting light and reflective patches, located within easy reach of the helmsman and ready for instant use	✓	✓
4.23	Heaving Line (15 –25m length) & Cockpit Knife readily accessible	✓	✓
4.03	Jackstays: One to be fitted on both the port and starboard side of the deck	✓	N/A
	Strong anchorage points must be fitted near helm, winches mast, etc., where crewmembers work for long periods.	✓	N/A
4.02	Softwood plugs attached adjacent to appropriate fittings	✓	✓
3.09	Keel stepped mast secured:	✓	✓
4.04	Minimum of 2 Fire extinguishers in a serviceable condition	✓	✓
3.15	Cooking Stove, permanently installed with safe accessible fuel shutoff control	✓	N/A
3.15b	Galley facilities	✓	✓
3.16	A yacht shall have a permanently installed delivery pump and water tanks	✓	N/A
3.17	Adequate hand holds shall be fitted below deck so that crew members may move about safely at sea	✓	✓

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3.18	One manual bilge pump that can be operated with the hatches closed	✓	N/A
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3.18	Two buckets with a lanyard	✓	✓
3.24	VHF marine radio transceiver	✓	✓
	An emergency antenna	✓	N/A
	A waterproof hand held VHF transceiver	✓	N/A
	Radio receiver capable of receiving weather bulletins	✓	N/A
2.03	(b) Secure fastening:		
	The following must be securely stowed where they fulfil the requirements of ORC Special Regulations and fastened against capsize.		
	Internal ballast	✓	✓
	Batteries	✓	✓
	Gas bottles	✓	✓
	Stoves	✓	✓
	Tanks	✓	✓
4.05	1 Anchor c/w 15 metres warp	N/A	✓
4.05	1 Anchor and chain (cat 3 under 8.5 m LOA) or 2 Anchors and chain over 8.5m LOA	✓	N/A
3.23	A shut off valve between the fuel tank and engine	✓	N/A
4.06	Two torches with spare bulbs and batteries	✓	N/A
4.07	A first aid kit and manual	✓	✓
4.08	A foghorn	✓	✓
4.09	A radar reflector	✓	✓
4.1	Navigational charts	✓	✓
4.12	Echo sounder	✓	✓
5.01	An approved lifejacket for each crew member	✓	✓
5.02	A harness suitable for each crew member	✓	✓
4.13	Speedometer	✓	N/A
4.15	Tools and spare parts	✓	✓
4.22	SOLAS flares as detailed in ORC 4.22	✓	✓
4.24.8	Heavy weather jib with alternative attachments (if required).	✓	✓
4.24.9	A storm tri-sail OR the facility to reef the mainsail by 40%	✓	✓

Yacht Name

Owner

I certify that I have checked the above yacht and that I fully comply with the requirements for RTYC Club Series Racing for the year 2009. I agree to maintain this equipment throughout the season and accept that the yacht may be inspected following a protest from another competitor.

Signed

Dated