



Round Mud Island Race Notice to Competitors Race Sailing Instructions 21/3/2026

Sailed under the season NOR and SIs as modified by this RSI.

SCHEDULE

Short on-water briefing prior to First Warning Signal VHF 73

13:30 Warning Signal Div 2

13:45 Warning Signal Div 1

START AND FINISH

The start and finish area will be to the North of South Channel Beacons 4 and 6.

The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel and the course side of the orange starting mark.

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee vessel and the course side of the orange finishing mark.

COURSE

Either clockwise (leaving all marks to starboard)

Start – 1s – 2 – 3 – 4 – 5 – 1p – Finish

Or counter-clockwise (leaving all marks to port)

Start – 1p – 5 – 4 – 3 – 2 – 1s – Finish

MARKS

2, 3, 4, 5 - Pink Inflatables

1p, 1s – Yellow Inflatables

Start / Finish Pin – Orange Inflatable

LAND AND SHALLOWS

Sailing directly between marks on some legs is not possible, you have to keep clear of shallows and land.



CHARTS

Make sure you have up to date paper or electronic charts for safety. Please be aware that the sand around mud is constantly moving and shallow areas might not be reflected correctly on the charts.

RIGHT OF WAY

As we will have boats sailing both ways around the island, just a reminder of RRS 10: “When boats are on opposite tacks, a port-tack boat shall keep clear of a starboard-tack boat.”

Please have a person on look-out at all times – even if you are the right-of-way boat!

If it becomes clear that a boat does not keep clear, the right-of-way-boat needs to act to avoid contact (RRS 14).

COMMERCIAL TRAFFIC

The race will be started and sailed outside of the Commercial Shipping Channel - South Channel. To get to and from the racing area, please try to cross the channel at the shortest possible distance (at a 90-degree angle to the traffic flow where possible) and under motor. The Race Committee will keep you informed about traffic throughout the day and may suggest to delay a crossing if deemed unsafe. Please also remember to keep at least the distance of two channel piles between your boat and the commercial vessel, as the commercial vessel has limited to no visibility if you get any closer than this.

OTHER

It's a long Passage Race, so please make sure you are well prepared (VHF, Fuel, Engine, mobile phones, navigation devices).

Please select high power on your radios to allow radio communications across longer distance.

Please sign on with the tower when leaving the mooring and not with the start boat when you have arrived at the racing area.

If you cannot reach us on VHF 73, please try the Peter Osbourne's phone (RO) 0417 806 582.

