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Notice to Competitors

Lipton Cup Regatta 2026

21 November 2026

Applies to: Sunday 22 November, Divisions 1 to 5

Amendment to the Notice of Race (reissued as v1.2).

New rules 1.9 to 1.11 are added to the Rules section, after rule 1.8:

1.9 In accordance with World Sailing Development Rule DR21-01, the definition Start is changed as follows for the Sunday 22 November 2026 races only: Start: A boat starts when, her hull having been entirely on the pre-start side of the starting line and having complied with rule 30.1 if it applies, any part of her hull crosses the starting line from the pre-start side to the course side either (a) at or after her starting signal, or (b) during the last 1 minute before her starting signal.
1.10 [DP] When a boat starts in accordance with item (b) of the definition Start, she shall not return to the pre-start side of the starting line.
1.11 [SP] The starting penalty for a boat that starts in accordance with item (b) of the definition Start shall be 5 minutes added to her elapsed time. The penalty will be applied without a hearing and before corrected times are calculated under any handicap system. This changes RRS 63.1.

Rationale:

World Sailing Development Rule DR21-01 requires the changed definition Start to be in the Notice of Race. A large combined keelboat fleet of 90 to 100 boats is expected on the starting line on Sunday, and this change reduces individual recalls and the risk of boats returning through the starting fleet.

Lipton Cup Organizing Authority

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