

WEST MERSEA YACHT CLUB

Ancient Mariners Race

12th July 2026

Start Time 11:00 BST

APPENDIX TO 2026 WMYC AND DSC JOINT NOTICE OF RACE & SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RACING RULES

The racing will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing(RRS)*, together with the RYA National Prescriptions, the 2025 West Mersea Yacht Club & Dabchicks Sailing Club Joint Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions and this Appendix, together with any subsequent amendments issued to those Sailing Instructions or this Appendix.

2. Eligibility

2.1 This race is open to boats crewed by helms aged 60 and above

2.2 No crew member may be less than 50

2.3 Competitors in this race must denote their intention to race and state the number of people and their date of birth on board their boat by completing the Entry form which will be on the ***** from 12th June 2026

3. Scoring

3.1 The boats will be scored using YTC handicap modified as follows;

- A boat with the crew's average age of 60 will sail off its YTC number
- 5 points will be deducted from the YTC number for each year of average age below 60,
- 5 points added to the YTC number for each year of average age above 60.

4. Handicaps, Times & Class flags

4.1 YTC 2026 handicap numbers will be used

4.2 The target time for this race is 90 minutes. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress.

4.3 The time limit is 2.5 hours. Any boat finishing within this time limit shall make the race valid. Boats failing to finish within 60 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be deemed to have retired and scored as TLE. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.
