

## ROYAL GOUROCK PLATFORM INSTRUCTIONS 2026

1. For Evening Racing suggest arrival time 1815 – 1830.
2. Hoist Club burgee on the Orange Pole
3. There are TWO light plugs fitted into the same extension as the Klaxon plug. Check all are working. The lights can be seen through the air vents on the box sides.
4. Locate the “AP” and IC Flag “S” boards, and fasten them to the halyards.
5. Permission has been obtained from Peelports for all races. Check shipping movements by phoning Kings Harbour Master at Faslane **01436 674321**. Peelports/Clydeport can be checked on-line or by phone **01475 726221**.
6. Take a Rough Copy Finishing Times Sheet, complete Date, Race etc. Use the back of that sheet to note the details of the boats who come to the Starting area
7. Select a Course from the Standard Course Tables applicable to the Class(es) sailing, from the 14 in each table, which are compatible.
8. Decide whether you are using the Inflatable “Z”, or the seasonally laid race mark “E” as the outer start mark, and inform the Boatman accordingly.
9. Consult the Tuesday Evenings or Wednesday Evenings instruction sheet as appropriate
10. The Time Signal is sounded with no visual signal. At that point the selected Course number is hung on the railing below the Light Boxes. If Mark “E” is being used rather than the inflatable “Z”, then the Letter “E” Board must be displayed with the number.
11. One person can be the Timekeeper, Signaller and Light Operator, calling out the countdown as appropriate within each 5 minute slot.
12. **5 minutes** after the Time Signal, the Starting Procedure is implemented by illuminating the appropriate Class Light with sound signal, **+ 1 minute** Preparatory Light illuminated with sound signal, **+ 3 minutes** Preparatory Light extinguished with sound signal, **+ 1 minute** Class Light extinguished with sound signal and Class Light of next Class to start illuminated etc.
13. To signal an OCS, about 3 seconds after the start sound signal, reilluminate the Class Light and make a sound signal. The light stays illuminated for 4 minutes or until all yachts have started correctly, whichever comes first.
14. Should a postponement be necessary, two sound signals and hoist “AP”. You decide to Start, one sound signal, lower “AP”, + 1 minute commence Starting Procedure as above.
15. Should a shortened course be decided, hoist IC Flag Board “S” and make 2 sound signals when appropriate. Illuminate the Lights of the Classes being shortened.
16. Using the Rough Copy Finishing Times, note the details of boats, in the order they cross the line on each round.
17. Scale of Finishing Signals is as follows, 2 starters 1, 4 starters 2, 6 starters 3, 10 starters 4, 15 starters 5.
18. Once all Starters have been accounted for, and the Rough Copy Finishing Times Sheet has been completed, take a LEGIBLE photograph and What’s App this to the Number displayed. File the Sheet in the Folder designated please, make sure the lights and klaxon are unplugged, and the Club burgee stowed away.