



Dieppe Dash

Motor Cruising Yacht Cruising Yacht Racing

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Guidance for All Boats

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Brighton to Dieppe in Company of Friends

Event and Entry Details can be found at: dieppedash.com



Dieppe Dash is a Brighton Marina Yacht Club Event 



DIEPPE DASH 2024

WELCOME

I am very proud to be able, as the Commodore of Brighton Marina Yacht Club, to invite you to enter your boat in this flagship event which has been part of my life, as a competitor, for many years.

We are delighted to share with you that support for Dieppe Dash from our key stakeholders, Ports de Normandie, Cercle de la Voile de Dieppe, and Premier Marinas (Brighton) will continue for 2024. It is only with such support we are able to keep our entry fee low in these times of financial unrest.

We are all aware that putting to sea onboard a private leisure craft carries a responsibility to embrace best practice in terms of safety and welfare, participating in such an international event as Dieppe Dash is no exception.

The Person-in-Charge is required to read the document 'SAFETY FOR ALL BOATS' which contains a lot of practical guidance in preparing the boat and crew for the passages, including our Sign-On, Stand-Down, Abandon-Safe procedure (SOSDAS) at the heart of Dieppe Dash sea-safety planning. You will find this document along with other guidance on the [documents page of Dieppe Dash website](#).

The Safety Briefing is a key part of our event management for which the Person-in-Charge, or a representative, is required to attend this briefing at Brighton Marina Yacht Club from 19h30hrs on Thursday, 2 May 2024. Essential last-minute information will be passed over at this time.

Please note the mandatory requirement for the Person-in-Charge to elect a shore-side contact person. The shore-side contact forms a link helpful to authorities, such as HM Coastguard, if an emergency should arise.

Please keep in mind we British are no longer part of the EU, we must be prepared to follow immigration procedures on arrival at Port de Dieppe. The Dieppe Dash Team is working with the local authorities to simplify this process.

Understandably, we must be strict on our procedures - any person declining to comply will be deemed not part of Dieppe Dash; if we can all follow the guidance, we can all continue to enjoy our event, yes, your event and mine...

It is our intention that Dieppe Dash continues to improve and develop; to that end, I welcome your feedback on any aspect of your Dieppe Dash experience, it is best to [contact me via email](#).

Finally, I ask, while enjoying yourself please show respect for our hosts at Cercle de la Voile de Dieppe, without whom Dieppe Dash would not exist - We are guests representing British Yacht Sailing abroad.

I wish you all great sailing, the team are looking forward to welcoming friends, old and new on your arrival in Dieppe.

Paul Dupret

Commodore
Brighton Marina Yacht Club





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ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority for Dieppe Dash is the Dieppe Dash Team of Brighton Marina Yacht Club Ltd, who may be contacted at:

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WhatsApp: Dieppe Dash - **Email:** admin@dieppedash.com – **Website:** dieppedash.com

SCOPE OF THIS DOCUMENT

Guidance contained in this Guidance for all Boats document shall prevail over Dieppe Dash 2024

HOW TO USE THIS DOCUMENT

Articles

- Articles of this publication are formed in sections consisting of rules, guidance, and information on a common theme of the section, structured by a title with articles and sub-articles descending in chronological order.

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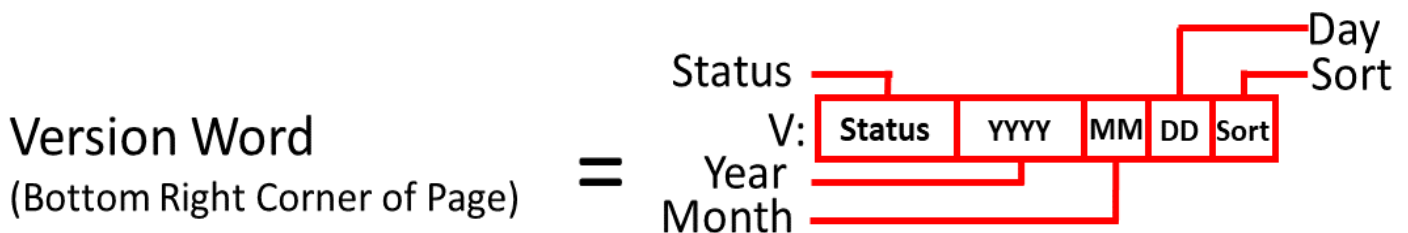
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DIEPPE DASH 2024

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INTRODUCTION TO DIEPPE DASH

Dieppe Dash is an exciting annual cross-channel boating event conceived as a means of meeting like-minded people, sharing the enjoyment of boating interests, and providing support in crossing the English Channel; Dieppe Dash includes pre-event talks, an outbound sail/motor cruising rally or yacht race, shore side events in Dieppe and a cruise or race return passage.

Dieppe Dash takes place in the English Channel between Brighton/Newhaven area of the south coast of England, and Dieppe in the Normandy region on the northern coast of France, the outbound passage on Friday, 3 May 2024. The main fleet will make the return passage on Sunday, 5 May 2024. If weather conditions do not permit making passage on the Sunday, there is provision to make arrangements to stay longer in Dieppe or return to Great Britain via ferry and recover the boat at a later date.

Dieppe Dash is the perfect event for your first time '*across the channel*' passage, you are more likely to make a passage if you have planned it with other boat owners and make the passage in company. For those interested in racing, Dieppe Dash provides the perfect offshore challenge.

Dieppe Dash Safety Plan provides guidance for you, the Person-in-Charge to create your sea-safety plan, and a check-in- and check-out scheme (SOSDAS) to monitor your 'at sea' status.

Supporting Information, including safety and guidance documents, and Online Entry may be obtained via the [Dieppe Dash website](#).

DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in Dieppe Dash 2024 entirely at their own risk. The Organising Authority will not accept liability for material damage, or personal injury, or death, sustained prior to, during, and in conjunction with, Dieppe Dash 2024.

It is stressed that competing owners and crews are expected to observe and embrace the provisions of the Dieppe Dash document [Safety For All Boats](#).

The spirit of Dieppe Dash Safety Plan requires that owners and crew shall not seek to make changes to design or installation of fixed or portable equipment forming the boat where such changes remove or reduce safety features or may compromise safety at sea. Any exploitation of the provisions of the Safety Regulations is discouraged.

[Maritime Law requires an element of planning](#) for even the simplest and shortest of passages ensuring the boat is equipped, provisioned and in suitable condition to put to sea, taking into consideration the number of persons aboard, charted information, tidal information, training, weather, and forming the passage plan for a period longer than the anticipated duration, just in case... [The RYA strongly recommends that you always have a plan](#)

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JOINING-IN

www.dieppedash.com/online-entry/

There are four parts to completing entry for Dieppe Dash:

Online entry	Register details of the Person-in-Charge and the Boat	
Sea-Safety	Register details of crew and Shoreside Contact	
Insurance Certificate	Each participating boat shall be insured in the name of the Person-in-Charge, and any surrogate, with a minimum cover third-party liability cover of £3,000,000.	
Payment - Standard Entry	On or before 17h00 Monday, 15 April 2024	£ 115.00
Payment - Late Entry	After 17h00 Monday, 15 April 2024	£ 148.00

n.b. Until such time all four elements of Entry are completed Entry for Dieppe Dash 2024 will be deemed not valid.

PREPARATION

Advice on preparing the Boat, Passage Plan and Safety, can be found in the document **Safety for All Boats**, available to download via the documents page of Dieppe Dash website: www.dieppedash.com.

All Participants are encouraged to read the Safety for All Boats document.

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GUIDANCE FOR ALL BOATS

These Guidance Notes are intended to provide information as self-help for participants of Dieppe Dash 2024.

Information is set out as a 'Handholding' guide to walk Dieppe Dash participants through the formal controls associated with traveling by private pleasure craft between Great Britain and the Schengen Area (of which France is a member country), from time of planning your Dieppe Dash (before departure), through entering French waters, onto completing immigration and customs checks in Dieppe, and the return passage and arrival in Great Britain.

PREPARE DOCUMENTATION

As information changes rapidly over this time currency of information may be unclear. [Information provided to Dieppe Dash Team](#) confirms the importance of declaring the journey and providing required documentation. Please keep in mind:

- Great Britain is no longer part of the EU; additional checks are to be expected.
- You are traveling via an unregulated means. Travel via regulated passenger services (Plane or Ship) is controlled end-to-end; when traveling via a Pleasure Craft additional proofs may be required beyond the documentation required for regulated travel services.
- Whether travelling from Great Britain to France, or travelling from France to Great Britain, Documented Proof will be required in support of each person onboard and the Boat.

Please ensure required documentation is prepared before departing Great Britain:

SAILING PLEASURE CRAFT FROM AND TO GREAT BRITAIN

You are required to declare the Pleasure Craft on voyages leaving Great Britain waters, AND arriving in Great Britain waters: [Tell Border Force and HMRC you are sailing to or from GB in a pleasure craft](#)

GOV.UK GUIDANCE:

[Submit a Pleasure Craft Report \(sPCR\)](#)

PLEASURE CRAFT REPORTING (sPCR)

[HM Border Force, and HM Revenue and Customs, procedures require notice be completed for, both, the outbound passage, and the inbound passage, before leaving Great Britain.](#)

PLEASURE CRAFT (sPCR) FALLBACK TEMPLATE (C1331)

Since the introduction of sPCR, the e-C1331 is now called '*The Pleasure Craft Report (sPCR) Fallback Template*'. You should use the fallback template only if you cannot access sPCR.

You can use either of these:

[e-C1331 Excel form and send it by email.](#)

[C1331 print and the post form to address on the form.](#)

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PERSONAL DOCUMENTATION PRE-PASSAGE CHECKLIST

- Passport ([check the 'issue' and 'expiry' dates](#))
- HM Revenue and Customs via [Pleasure Craft Reporting \(sPCR\)](#).
- Insurance, (Travel Insurance and [EHIC/GHIC Card](#))
- Proof of Value of Cash, Gifts and Goods (including foods) entering France (duty payable if [exceeding Personal Allowance](#)).
- Proof of Value of Gifts and Goods (including foods) entering Great Britain (duty payable if [exceeding Personal Allowance](#)).

BOAT DOCUMENTATION PRE-PASSAGE CHECKLIST

It is essential that you have the correct documents onboard the boat – A common view expressed is that documents are often not checked; **the reality is that the boat could be stopped at any point** during the passage and if one boat doesn't have the correct documentation this could hold up, or impound, the entire Dieppe Dash fleet and result in possible fines. Below is a list of documents you should hold aboard:

- Proof of insurance (Boat) – Check that your boat policy covers public/third party liability outside of Great Britain Waters. It is advisable to ask your insurance company for a copy of your insurance cover note in French and carry this document onboard.

If Racing, your boat must be insured for racing, to not declare racing to insurers may result in being uninsured.

- Original Title Documentation for your boat (VAT Invoice, Bill(s) of Sale & Builders Certificate). The most important of these is the proof that VAT has been paid.
- Original Certificate of Registration (either SSR part 3 or Part I) – Ensure any names/numbers/markings on the boat agree with the registration document.
- Ship Radio Licence Certificate for all VHF/DSC radio/Radar/EPIRB etc onboard.
- At least one person aboard must hold the relevant VHF Restricted Certificate of Competence or Short-Range Certificate of Competence.

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GREAT BRITAIN WATERS

HM REVENUE AND CUSTOMS

Check what you must do when sailing a Pleasure Craft to travel from or to Great Britain waters (for advice about going through customs) from time of departing or entering Great Britain waters (England, Scotland, and Wales) in Great Britain (GB):

- [Notice 8 is intended for use by owners of Pleasure Craft](#) who sail their craft from or to Great Britain and specifies the customs arrival and departure requirements:
 - HM Revenue and Customs procedures requires [pleasure craft reporting \(sPCR\)](#) to be completed for, both, the outbound passage, and the inbound passage. returned to HM Revenue and Customs **before leaving Great Britain**.
- You are required to call the [National Yachtline](#) for advice and instruction when you arrive in Great Britain waters by Pleasure Craft from outside Great Britain (including from the Channel Islands).
 - Please check [Notice 8](#) for full details of the actions you must take:
 - **Telephone:** 0300 123 2012
 - **Opening times:** 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

FRENCH WATERS

Upon arrival in French Waters (Schengen area) European Law applies, which may be undertaken in France as 'Local Rules'.

TEMPORARY ADMISSION (TA)

A Pleasure Craft is granted Temporary Admission (TA) to operate in EU waters without being liable to pay VAT on the hull for a maximum period of 18 months after first being placed under TA either formally (which is highly recommended) or de facto by the mere fact of entering EU waters – **nonetheless ensure you carry onboard documented proof VAT had been paid on the boat**.

Q FLAG (Yellow Flag)

When entering French National Waters [you must display the yellow 'Q' flag](#) so that it can easily be seen. **Do not remove the Q Flag until all persons onboard have completed the European Customs and immigration procedures at the Port de Dieppe**. If you do not comply you may be liable to a penalty.

COURTESY FLAGS

It is customary (and a mark of respect) to display the maritime ensign of the country being visited whilst in their territorial waters (from the starboard yard arm or crosstrees). This is a signal that you acknowledge you are in their national waters and claim protection from the law of the seas, referred to as a "[Courtesy Flag](#)".

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APPROACHING AND ARRIVAL @ DIEPPE

- Circa 30mins before arrival at Dieppe, please contact 'Dieppe Dash Control' to announce your imminent arrival (VHF CH77).
- **Waypoint** [N49° 56.31' E01° 05.00'](#) – the entrance to Port de Dieppe is marked by a large green (starboard-Hand) Light 11mtrs above sea level, visible for 8NM.
- The immediate area north of the entrance to Port de Dieppe is charted as restricted:
 - All traffic must keep clear of the entrance unless entering/departing Port de Dieppe.
 - No Anchoring is Permitted within the Restricted Area.
- The Port of Dieppe is accessible at all states of tide; the entrance is exposed to NW/NE winds which may give rise to a heavy scend. The entrance to the harbour is dredged for commercial ferry and freighter traffic, beware of possibility of a strong tidal flow across the entrance at certain states of tide.
- **Monitor Port de Dieppe Harbour Master Voice Traffic on Marine Band VHF CH09**
- **Observe the VTS Signals located at the shoreside end of the western harbour arm (Starboard of centreline).** Enter Port de Dieppe ONLY when the VTS permits. At such times it is safe to drop sails within the outer harbour.
- Dieppe Dash Team are advised by local fisherman of a tendency for a shallow bank to form inside the harbour entrance adjacent to the (east side of) the west harbour arm. This may give rise to navigational problems at low water. Visibility is excellent when entering the harbour, if traffic flow permits, keep to port of the centreline until close vicinity to the VTS/starboard turn.
- Long-line fishing apparatus is likely to be scattered within the area seaward of the shoreline to the northeast and northwest of the entrance to Port de Dieppe, longline fishing apparatus within the stated area is not lighted and frequently is not flagged.
- Shelter from prevailing conditions (whilst waiting to enter Port de Dieppe) may be found to the west of the west harbour arm at Port de Dieppe at the seaward end, please be aware tidal flow will pass through the west harbour wall; hence may wash the boat toward the west harbour wall.
- It is not recommended to seek shelter (whilst waiting to enter Port de Dieppe) to the east of the entrance to Port de Dieppe.

BERTHING AT LE PORT DE PLAISANCE DE DIEPPE

Marina Berthing is ahead from the harbour entrance, then to starboard after the VTS location.

- Fuel Ponton is located immediately starboard of the starboard turn to the berthing area.
- Berthing is located at the first three pontoons to starboard after the fuel pontoon, allocated by Port de Dieppe marina according to boat dimensions. Your cooperation in observing your berthing allocation will ensure all boats are able to berth; **please keep in mind some boats are single-handed.**
- With your back to the gate on exiting at the top of the access ramps, toilets/showers are within the glass/steel building to the left (east end of the marina).
- Berthing Allocation, Gate and Toilet/Shower Access will be notified during the Safety Briefing, scheduled to run on Thursday, 2 May 2024 at 19h30hr at Brighton Marina Yacht Club.



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EUROPEAN CUSTOMS AND IMMIGRATION

[The new EES or Entry and Exit System](#) ("Le système d'entrée-sortie"), originally scheduled to be enacted in late 2022 is confirmed as not available until after the Paris Olympics 2024.

As a result of the delay in enacting EES we must observe the established European Customs and Immigration procedures:

- [All persons onboard are required to complete Customs and Immigration processing on arrival in France.](#)
- **ALL Persons Onboard must complete Immigration at the Port de Dieppe in person (cannot be undertaken by a surrogate), persons under 17 years must be accompanied by a responsible adult.**
- **Dieppe Dash Team have arranged a procedure to reduce impact of Customs and Immigration processing on Dieppe Dash participants. Failure to observe the Dieppe Dash procedure will require Dieppe Dash participants to process Customs and Immigration checks at the Ferry Terminal.**

CUSTOMS AND IMMIGRATION PROCEDURE @ PORT DIEPPE

Week commencing Monday, 15 April 2024, we will send via email address registered at time of online entry as the registered person-in-charge of the boat:

- the European Customs and Immigration Form,
- guidance on how to complete the form,
- the email address for Dieppe Dash Boat Owners to return the completed form.
- **All person onboard must be declared on the Customs and Immigration Form:**
 - All person onboard must hold a valid passport (acceptable in France):
 - British passports are acceptable in France.
 - Passports of some countries may not be acceptable in France, or may require a Visa. [Please check crew passports/Visas are acceptable in France.](#)
- The Customs and Immigration Form **MUST** be completed and returned to the Police Aux Frontières, Dieppe email address within a finite window of 5 working days (20 April 2024) to permit the Police Aux Frontières, Dieppe to setup processing in Dieppe in readiness for Dieppe Dash 2024.
- **Please DO NOT send your completed Customs and Immigration Form to Dieppe Dash Team.**

CUSTOMS AND IMMIGRATION PROCESSING IN DIEPPE

Saturday, 4 May 2024: Police Aux Frontières, Dieppe. will be available at the Ango Room, (above the toilet/shower facilities). All Persons on each boat must declare in person the passport to Police Aux Frontières, Dieppe in the time windows of **11h00 to 12h00 Fr Time.**

Sunday, 5 May 2024: Police Aux Frontières, Dieppe. will be available at the Ango Room (above the toilet/shower facilities). All Persons on each boat must declare in person the passport to Police Aux Frontières, Dieppe in the time windows of **07h00 to 08h00 Fr Time.** If not leaving the Schengen Area on Sunday, 5 May 2024, the person must make private arrangements with Police Aux Frontières, Dieppe.

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According to European Customs and Immigration Law, you must be prepared to show:

- [Passport](#)
- [Proof of Medical Insurance](#)

In addition, you May Be asked to show:

- proof of where you intend to stay, for example, berthing at a marina, or a hotel booking confirmation.
- Proof of Financial Means (sufficient funds to support your visit).
- proof of return or onward travel (we suggest you carry onboard a copy of your Dieppe Dash registration email).

Port de Dieppe marina will be able to verify boats comprising Dieppe Dash fleet and duration of stay.

PASSPORT

Adults and under 18s, [Passport Validity Requirements](#):

- less than 10 years old on the day you enter France.
- valid for at least 3 months after the day you plan to leave France.

n.b. If relevant entry or exit stamps are not shown clearly in your passport, Police Aux Frontières may assume you have overstayed your visa-free travel limit, [fines may apply](#).

MEDICAL INSURANCE

Personal medical insurance is essential.

A [EHIC \(European Health Insurance Card\)](#) is strongly recommended (and still valid FREE) for each Great Britain/EU Citizen crew member. This is the minimum health cover acceptable in France (and may not cover all medical needs). Apply via NHS.

GOODS FROM OUTSIDE THE EU

When arriving in France you don't need to declare goods and gifts purchased or received outside of the EU unless [they exceed a certain amount](#).

NOTES ON CUSTOMS AND IMMIGRATION PROCESSING IN DIEPPE

- Customs and Immigration procedures applied in Dieppe apply to the entire Schengen Area under European Law, under which the individual is responsible for compliance, I.E. not Dieppe Dash. A failure to comply with European Customs and Immigration Law will remain with the individual until such time European Law is satisfied.
- A Key aspect of European Customs and Immigration processing is that identity checks are carried out immediately on arrival in the Schengen Area, or as late as possible prior to departure from the Schengen Area.
- The procedure used by Police Aux Frontières, in Dieppe for purposes of enabling a mass processing of Dieppe Dash participants at the marina regarding Customs and Immigration regulation is extended to Dieppe Dash as a concession.

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- The default processing of Customs and Immigration checks takes place at the Ferry Terminal.
- In negotiating the Customs and Immigration procedure we, Dieppe Dash Team, focussed solely on Dieppe Dash event timing. History has taught us well that we are unable to manage the many individual boat arrangements outside of Dieppe Dash event timing.
- Dieppe Dash Team will notify Police Aux Frontières, in Dieppe of the details of all boats participating In Dieppe Dash 2024 (Note, GDPR prevents Dieppe Dash Team from sharing details of persons participating in Dieppe Dash, this aspect is between the individual person and the Police Aux Frontières, in Dieppe, via the person-in-charge of the boat).

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