



Royal Escape Race 2025

Border controls for UK and France

11 May 2025

It is the responsibility of each skipper and entrant to comply with France and UK border crossing regulations. This information is provided as a guide but does not replace the responsibility each skipper needs to take.

UK

You must submit a pleasure craft report before you leave and before you return. For information and to find the report form go to (link accurate at time of publication).

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/submit-a-pleasure-craft-report>

UK Electronic Travel Authorisation

The UK Electronic Travel Authorisation system (ETA) is now in force for visitors to the UK. The UK Cruising Association has published an article on guidance here:

[ETA launched on 8th January 2025 for non-EU visitors to the UK | CA](#)

The UK government guidance and process is available (link accurate at the time of publication) at the link below:

[Apply for an electronic travel authorisation \(ETA\) - GOV.UK](#)

France

You must complete the French Formulaire Entrée / Sortie and submit it by email to plaisance@portdefecamp.fr at least 24 hours before departure. You will find the form [here](#).

While the Royal Escape Race committee works with SRF in Fécamp to offer an in person French border passport service on the Saturday morning, entrants are encouraged to review all requirements and processes and the Cruising Association has published a recent article with further information here:

[Cruising Association welcomes easier check in/out for cruising to France | CA](#)

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