





UK 29er Class Association Ovington Championships 13th-14th November 2021 WPNSA, Portland

Notice of Race

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority is the Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy in conjunction with the UK 29er Class Association.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the latest rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, the International 29er Class Rules (www.29er.org) the UK 29er Class Association Major Event Instructions 2021/22 (MEIs) and the Supplementary Sailing Instructions (SSIs) (www.29er.org.uk).
- 1.2 Competitors should note that the UK 29er Class Association implements the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be required to undertake to sail in compliance with the Charter, which can be found at the front ofthe RYA rule book.
- 1.3 The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the NoR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.
- 1.4 The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 The MEIs and SSIs will be available on the UK 29er Class Association Website prior to the event.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The official notice board is located at: https://29eruk.ourclubadmin.com/event.php?event=284.
- From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. [DP].
- 3.3 Competitors should note that it is anticipated that all communication for this event may be online.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to all current members of the UK 29er Class Association, or members of an equivalent29er National Class Association, or members of the International 29er Class Association.
- 4.2 Competitors may apply for a temporary weekend membership of the UK 29er Class Association on payment of £15.00 per crew member to the UK 29er Class Association. Competitors applying for Temporary Membership may only do so once.

5 FEES

- 5.1 The entry fee for the event will be £67 per boat.
- 5.2 Eligible boats may enter and pay not later than four calendar days prior to the event date through the UK 29erClass Association website (www.29er.org.uk). Entries received less than eight calendar days prior to the event date will be subject to an increased entry fee of £75 per boat.
- 5.3 If an entry is cancelled by a competitor, the entry fee will be refunded as follows:

Cancellation Date	Refund
Up to 2 weeks prior to the event	Either: 1) Entry fee less £5 admin charge; or 2) Transfer entry to another event
Within last 2 weeks prior to the event	No refund, and no transfer of entry to another event

5.4 The 29er UK Class Association reserves the right to amend these fees at its discretion.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1 The schedule is:

Day	Date	Time	Event
Saturday	13 th Nov	10:55	First warning signal
Sunday	14 th Nov	09:25	First warning signal

On the last day of racing no warning signal shall be made after 14:30. If flighted the second start can be started after this deadline.

6 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

6.1 See MEIs 19.

7 VENUE

- 7.1 The venue is the Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy, Osprey Quay, Portland, Dorset, DT5 1SA.
- 7.2 The racing area will be in Portland Harbour.

8 COURSE

8.1 See MEIs 9.

9 PENALTY SYSTEM

9.1 See MEIs 14.

10 SCORING

10.1 See MEIs 16.

11 SUPPORT PERSONS VESSELS [DP]

- 11.1 All support boats will register with the Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy by completing an online Event Support Boat Registration Form at https://www.wpnsa.org.uk/event-support-boat-registration-form. Once submitted, a member of staff will contact you to take the payment of £10 by card.
- 11.2 In order to prevent fuel spillage, refuelling of boats/tanks is not permitted on the pontoons at WPNSA.

 Boats may refuel at the Portland Marina fuel pontoon or removable tanks may be taken offsite to be refuelled at a service station.
- 11.3 Restrictions apply with regard to on the water Coaches and Supporters. These are published in MEIs 22. Additional information may also be included in the SSIs, or any published Notices to Competitors.

12 BERTHING

12.1 Boats shall be kept in their assigned spaces whilst in the boat park. [DP].

13 PRIZES

- 13.1 Prizes will be awarded for;
 - a) First to sixth Overall.
 - b) First, second and third all female team
 - c) First, second and third all junior team (both aged 16 or under on 31st December 2021)
 - d) First, second and third mixed team
- 13.2 The 29er Class Association reserves the right to amend 12.1, without notification.

14 RISK STATEMENT

14.1 Rule 3 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race orto continue racing is hers alone."

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore involves an element of risk. By taking part in theevent, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other propertywhether afloat or ashore;
- c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions oromissions;
- d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weatherconditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
- g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any competitor briefing held for the event
- 14.2 The fact that race officials may conduct inspections of a does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this Notice of Race.
- 14.3 As part of the Event Registration Form, sailors aged Under 18 on the dates of an event will also need to have a parental consent completed by a parent or guardian, which will also confirm that they are entirely responsible throughout the event for themselves and their boats on land, and on the water.

15 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 per incident or equivalent.

16 DATA PROTECTION

16.1 The personal information you provide to the organising authority will be used to facilitate your participation in the event. If you have agreed to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and the other rules that govern the event (the rules), the legal basis for processing that personal information is contract. If you are not bound by the rules, the legal basis for processing that personal information is legitimate interest. Your personal information will be stored and used in accordance with the Organising Authority's privacy policy. When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with the RYA, your national authority and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.

17 RIGHTS TO USE NAMES AND LIKENESS

17.1 Competitors automatically grant to the Organising Authority without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television of or relating to the event.

18 COVID STATEMENT [DP] [NP]

18.1 By taking part in any of the events covered by this notice of race, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that they are responsible for complying with any regulations in force from time to time in respect of COVID-19 and for complying with the WPNSA and Organising Authority COVID-19 procedures. Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Failure to comply may be misconduct. Reasonable actions by event officials to implement COVID-19 guidance, protocols or legislation, even if they later prove to have been unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions.

19 FURTHER INFORMATION

19.1 For further information please contact: The 29er Class Administrator - membership@29ersailing.org.uk