



# 2022 UK 29er Class National and Open Championship

8<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> August 2022

The Organising Authority is the UK 29er Class Association

in conjunction with Royal Torbay Yacht Club.

Event website: <u>29er.uk/nationals</u>



# NOTICE OF RACE

# 1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. The Organising Authority implements the RYA Racing Charter. Competitors shall undertake to sail in accordance with the Charter.
- 1.3. 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).
- 1.4. RRS 40.1 applies at all times while afloat. [DP]
- 1.5. RRS 63.7 is changed so that in the event of a conflict between the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail.
- 1.6. RRS Appendix T (Arbitration) will apply.

# 2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1. The sailing instructions will be available on the online Official Notice Board at least three days prior to the event. Individual printed copies will not be distributed or made available.

# 3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. The official notice board will be online only at 29er.uk/onb
- 3.2. The race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors via the Telegram messaging system as outlined in Attachment C.
- 3.3. [DP] At any time whilst afloat, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

# 4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. The championships are open to all boats of the International 29er Class.
- 4.2. Both helm and crew shall be members of the UK 29er Class Association. Overseas boats are welcome and shall be International 29er Class Association members but are only eligible for the open titles prizes.
- 4.3. Entries will only be accepted via the event website.
- 4.4. There will be a confirmed total entry limit of 70. Once confirmed entry limits are reached any subsequent entries will be placed on a waiting list and the possibility of extending the entry limit will be reviewed.
- 4.5. Entries will only be confirmed once the entry fee has been paid. While the entry fee remains unpaid that entry will remain on the waiting list.
- 4.6. Late entries or fleet transfers will only be accepted at the sole discretion of the Organising Authority.

### 5. FEES

5.1. The fees and refund policy are as follows:

	Before midnight on	Fee	Refund for Cancellation
Early Entry Date	19 <sup>th</sup> June	£400	Full
Closing Date	10 <sup>th</sup> July	£450	50%
Late Entry Date	24 <sup>th</sup> July	£495	None

- 5.2. In addition, any competitors who are required to withdraw due to government Covid-19 travel or self isolation restrictions or guidelines will be eligible for a full refund.
- 5.3. If the Organising Authority cancels the event due to Government Covid-19 restrictions, all competitors will receive a refund of fees paid less any expenses which the class association has incurred at that stage in the planning.
- 5.4. The fee to register a support boat is £50. Support boats who are part of the official safety or mark laying fleet will be registered at no cost.

### 6. NOT USED

# 7. ADVERTISING

- 7.1. Advertising is permitted in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20 and the International 29er Class Rules.
- 7.2. When any event sponsor's promotional material is provided by the organising authority, competitors shall make every reasonable effort to display it on their boats and / or sails throughout the event, as directed at Registration. If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies. [DP]
- 7.3. Any individual caught stealing sponsor promotional items, e.g.: flags, banners, prizes, shall be deemed to have committed a gross breach of good manners and may be subject to a hearing under RRS 69.

#### 8. **QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES**

8.1. The regatta will consist of a qualifying series and a final series.

#### 9. **SCHEDULE**

- 9.1. Times of Registration, Briefings, First Warning signals etc for all fleets are all tabulated below.
- 9.2. Requests for registration outside the times listed below will be at the discretion of the Organising Authority.
- No warning signal will be made after 15:00 on the final day of the championship. 9.3.

Day	Event	Location	Time
Day 0 Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> August	Registration		15:00 – 17:00
, ,	Registration	RTYC	10:00 – 14:00, 18:00 – 19:30
	Support Vessel Briefing	RTYC	12:00
Day 1	Practice Race Briefing	RTYC	13:00
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup> Warning Signal		14:55
	Number of Races		2 Practice
	Competitors' Event Briefing	RTYC	18:30
Day 2	Late Registration	RTYC	08:30 – 10:00
	1 <sup>st</sup> Warning Signal		11:25
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Number of Races		4 Qualifying
Day 3	1 <sup>st</sup> Warning Signal		11:25
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Number of Races		4 Qualifying
Day 4	1 <sup>st</sup> Warning Signal		11:55
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Number of Races		3 Qualifying + Crews' Race
Day 5	1 <sup>st</sup> Warning Signal		11:25
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Number of Races		4 Finals
	1 <sup>st</sup> Warning Signal		11:25
Day 6	Number of Races		3 Finals
Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup>	No Warning Signal After		15:00
	Prize Giving	Imperial Hotel	19:00

### 10. MEASUREMENT

- 10.1. Competitors shall complete an Equipment Self Declaration Form as a condition of entry for the event. Self-declaration forms can be downloaded from the event website.
- 10.2. In accordance with RYA Prescription 78, boats may be inspected or measured (including weighing) at any time.
- 10.3. Equipment shall only be replaced with the permission of the Race Committee.
- 10.4. All boats will be required to submit their forestays (with Masts) for checking by the measurer and 'locking off' prior to Registration. Forestays which have not previously been measured and "locked off" may be measured on Day 1 between 10:00 and 13:00.
- 10.5. The fact that race officials may conduct inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor as set out in the Notice of Race.

# 11. NOT USED

# 12. VENUE

- 12.1. The venue is Royal Torbay Yacht Club, 12 Beacon Terrace, Devon, United Kingdom. TQ1 2BH
- 12.2. Races will be sailed in Tor Bay.

# 13. THE COURSES

13.1. The courses to be sailed will be windward/leeward with a 30-minute target time for each race.

# 14. PENALTIES

- 14.1. RRS 44.1 and Appendix P 2.1 will be changed so that a two-turn penalty will be a one turn penalty.
- 14.2. Appendix P, Special Procedures for RRS 42, will apply. RRS P2.3 will not apply and RRS P2.2 is changed so that it will apply to any penalty after the first one.

### 15. SCORING

- 15.1. Three races shall be completed by all fleets to constitute a championship series.
- 15.2. A boat's score for the regatta will be the sum of her qualifying series score and her final series score as calculated below:
- 15.3. Qualifying Series:
- 15.3.1. The qualifying series will consist of up to eleven races.
- 15.3.2. The qualifying series will continue until the end of Day 4 or the end of the day on which the fifth qualifying race is completed, whichever is later.
- 15.3.3. If at the end of the qualifying series some boats have more race scores than others, scores for the most recent races will be excluded so that all boats have the same number of race scores.
- 15.3.4. A boat that did not *start*, did not *finish*, retired or was disqualified shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats assigned to the largest fleet. This changes RRS A4.2.
- 15.3.5. When fewer than **four** qualifying races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 15.3.6. When **four** or more qualifying races have been completed, a boat's qualifying series score will be the total of her qualifying race scores excluding her worst score.

- 15.4. Final Series:
- 15.4.1. The final series will consist of up to seven races.
- 15.4.2. When fewer than four final series races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her final series race scores.
- When four or more races have been completed in the finals series, a boat's series score will 15.4.3. be the total of her final series race scores excluding her worst final series score.
- A boat that did not start, did not finish, retired or was disqualified shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats assigned to her fleet. This changes RRS A4.2.
- In the final series each fleet will be scored separately and need not have completed the 15.4.5. same number of final races.
- 15.4.6. Boats in the gold fleet will be ranked highest followed by silver, bronze and emerald.
- 15.5. Crews' Race:
- 15.5.1. A crews' race is scheduled at the end of the qualifying series.
- 15.5.2. The qualifying series will not be extended into another day in order to accommodate the crews' race.
- 15.5.3. The regular helm and crew shall swap roles within the same boat, no other crew changes are allowed.
- The crews' race will be scored separately in each of the fleets, each fleet will have its own 15.5.4. winner. If there are a reduced number of entries for this race, alternative arrangements may

# 16. SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

- 16.1. Support boats shall be registered with the Organising Authority and will be required to comply with Harbour Bye-laws and the 29er Class Support Boat Regulations as detailed in Attachment
- 16.2. Support boats are also to register their arrival with RTYC Beachmaster and pay the appropriate berthing fee. Support boats who are part of the official safety or mark laying fleet will be berthed at no cost.
- 16.3. Coaches are required to register through the event website and pay the appropriate fee as per NoR 5.4. Coaches who are part of the official safety or mark laying fleet will be registered at no
- 16.4. Support boats who are part of the official safety fleet shall be attending the daily safety briefing, at which they will be allocated a position in the race area, a call sign and a corresponding flag for identification, usually a white flag displaying their call sign number.
- 16.5. All support boats shall clearly display their national letters at all times while afloat. The minimum height of the letters shall be 200mm and visible from both sides of the boat.
- 16.6. Flag V may be used in accordance with RRS 37 at which time all support boats are required to offer all possible assistance.

#### 17. **CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS**

17.1. In accordance with RRS G3 a chartered or loaned boat may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of her class rules, provided that the race committee has approved her sail identification before the first race.

#### **BERTHING** 18.

18.1. [DP] [NP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while they are in the boat park.

### 19. NOT USED

## 20. COVID STATEMENT

20.1. [DP] [NP] 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 Organising Authority's 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.

### 21. DATA PROTECTION

- 21.1. The personal information you provide to the organizing 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 organizing 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.
- 21.2. Details of what information we collect and how we use it is set out in our Privacy Policy: https://29er.uk/privacy.
- 21.3. Still or video photography may be used as part of the Race Management processes for the event. These images will only be used for Race Management and limited training purposes and will not be widely published without the express permission of all sailors who are identifiable in the images.

# 22. RISK STATEMENT

22.1. RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone." Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore involves an element of risk.

By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- 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 property whether afloat or ashore.
- c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions.
- Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate. d)
- e) The provision of a race management team, patrol vessels, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.
- The provision of patrol vessel cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme f) weather conditions, 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 competitors briefing held at the venue.

### 23. INSURANCE

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

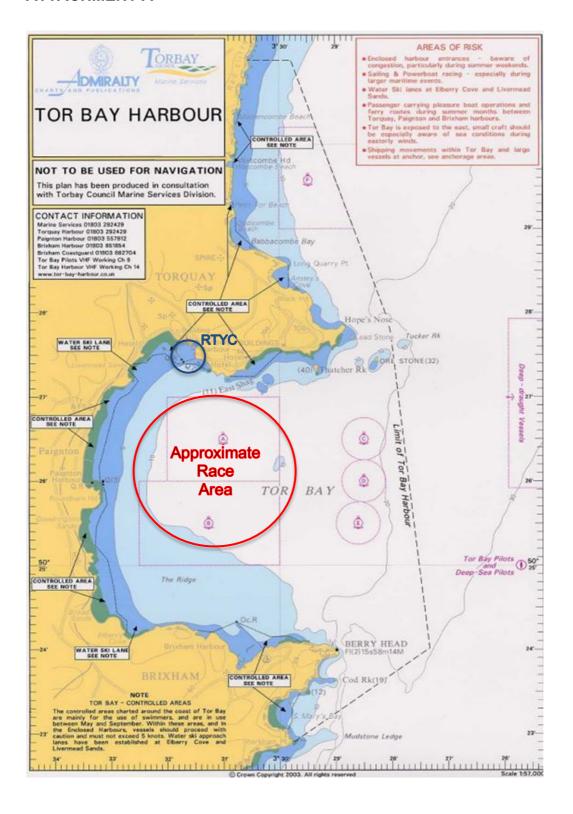
# 24. PRIZES

- 24.1. Prizes will be awarded for:
  - Open First Overall (the Championships).
  - First British Team (the National Championships)
  - First British All Female Team
  - First British Adult Team (both aged over 18 on the last day of the event)
  - First British Junior Team (both aged under 16 on the last day of the event)
  - First British Youth Team (both aged under 19 on the last day of the event)
  - First Overseas Team
  - First Mixed British Team
  - First British Non RYA Squad Team (both aged under 19 at the time of the event who have not been in the RYA UK Youth Squad (during 2021/22)
  - Second to Sixth overall British Teams
  - Second and Third All Female British Teams
  - Second and Third British Junior Team (both aged under 16 on the last day of the event)
  - Second and Third Mixed British Team

### 25. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 25.1. For further information please contact events@29ersailing.org.uk
- 25.2. The RTYC webpage for the event, gives more direct access to local and useful information: <a href="https://rtyc.org/event/29er-uk-national-championship/">https://rtyc.org/event/29er-uk-national-championship/</a>

# **ATTACHMENT A**



### ATTACHMENT B - SUPPORT BOAT REGULATIONS

# Support Boats shall carry the following Equipment on board

Life jackets / buoyance aids for the driver and all passengers,

Engine kill cord (also known as a safety lanyard or automatic engine immobiliser) with a spare kill cord on the support boat

VHF radio capable of receiving instruction from Safety or Race Committee

First-aid kit

Device for making a sound signal

Compass

Adequate anchor and tackle for conditions and depth

Tow rope (minimum 15m long and 10mm thick)

Knife

# **Support Boat Regulations**

Support Boats shall be registered with the Organising Authority and shall be marked with their applicable national sail letters clearly displayed, the minimum height for these letters is 200mm.

Support Boats shall comply with Tor Bay Harbour Bye-Laws

Support Boats shall follow Race Committee instructions on the designated VHF channel

Kill cords shall be worn at all times when the engine is running

Life jackets / buoyance aids - it is required that they are worn at all times when afloat.

Support boats, which are NOT part of the official safety or mark laying fleet, shall not be in the racing area from the time of the preparatory signal for a race until the last boat finishes the race. The penalty for failing to comply with this requirement will be the disqualification of all boats associated with the support personnel who do so. For the purposes of this rule, the racing area shall be defined as not less than 750m from any boat that is racing, and this shall specifically include an area not less than 200m immediately to leeward of the finish line for any race. This does not apply if Flag V is used in accordance with RRS 37 at which time all support boats are required to enter the racing are and to offer all possible assistance.

Support boats part of safety fleet who are NOT actively working the general safety role and are repeatedly not complying with instructions by the CSL, shall be excluded from the safety fleet by the race management team, shall be required to pay the full support boat registration fee of £50 and shall not be in the racing area as per above.

# **Local Regulations**

Support Boats shall complete registration before launching.

### **Coach Registration**

On registration coaches will be required to confirm the sail numbers of the boats they are supporting

On registration coaches will be required to confirm that their boat has third party insurance to the value of a minimum of £3 million.

# ATTACHMENT C - MESSAGING

In addition to the Official Notice Board, the Organising Authority may send message to competitors and support persons via the Instant Messaging Application, Telegram.

Telegram is similar to WhatsApp but has better privacy (phone numbers are not public) and does not limit groups to 250 people.

Please download Telegram for your Smart Phone and/or Laptop prior to the event from the links on <a href="https://telegram.org">https://telegram.org</a>



Then join the groups below by following the link or scanning the QR codes:

**Broadcast**: Messages from the Organising Authority and Race Committee:

https://29er.uk/broadcast



**Queries**: Questions to the Organising Authority or Race Committee:

https://29er.uk/queries



The speed of answers may vary and may be sent via the broadcast group. Please use this facility as sparingly as possible and certainly not for chat or it will lose its effectiveness.

--- End of Notice of Race ---

# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- 1. Car Parking opposite club and above the harbour, for information and passes visit torbay.gov.uk/roads/parking/car-parks/beacon-quay-cp/
- 2. **Dinghy Parking** on Haldon Pier
- 3. Berthing for RIBs in Town Dock or pontoons on Haldon Pier
- 4. The RTYC bar and restaurant will be open all day and evening throughout the event serving meals, bar snacks, refreshments, and packed lunches to order. Detailed information including menus will be published on the event website.
- Entry/Bar Card At registration a club card will be made available to parents and which should be used to access the club through both the main and garden entrances. This card can also be used to purchase drinks and will entitle you to 10% discount on normal prices. Money can be added at the bar, minimum £10, there are no refunds.
- Club facilities Hand sanitisers continue to be widely available. Please respect and follow any procedures that may be in place.
- Class Social Events will take place in the Royal Torbay Yacht Club and details will be 7 published on the event website.
- 8 For Accommodation and Camping visit englishriviera.co.uk/accommodation

