# South and SW Regional Junior Championships 22<sup>nd</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2024 Hosted by Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy



## **NOTICE OF RACE**

## **ORGANISING AUTHORITY**

This event will be organised by the Royal Yachting Association in conjunction with Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy (WPNSA).

**[SP]** Denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the Race Committee without a hearing.

**[DP]** Denotes a discretionary penalty applied by the Protest Committee with a hearing (this changes RRS 63.1 and A5);

[NP] Denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

## 1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RSS)*.
- 1.2 RSS Race Signals AP, 33, 34, 35, 41, 60.1(a), 60.1(b), 61.3, 62.1(a), 62.2, 64.2 A2 A5.1 and A5.2 will be changed. The changes appear, in full, in this notice of race (NoR) or in the sailing instructions (SIs).
- 1.3 During racing, competitors within the Coached Regatta and Rookie fleets may request and receive outside help from coaches appointed by the Organising Authority (OA). The OA coaches will be identified at the briefing. This changes RRS 41.
- 1.4 [DP] [NP] The rules and byelaws of WPNSA will apply.

## 2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The SIs will be available at <u>RJC WPNSA</u>.
- 2.2 Questions on the SIs may be emailed to <u>racingevents@rya.org.uk</u>. Questions and answers will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

## 3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official noticeboard is located at <u>RJC WPNSA</u>.
- 3.2 [DP] While racing, 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 Racing will be for nominated dinghy classes. Fleets may be combined in the event of low entries. Fleets with entries of fewer than 5 boats by the closing date will be reviewed. The OA reserve the right to cancel racing for a fleet after the closing date if the minimum entry has not been met. The OA will offer a full refund to anyone whose fleet has been cancelled.

- 4.2 Sailors should attend the RJC that :-
  - (a) Falls within the region of their primary place of residence, or
  - (b) Falls within the region of their primary sailing club.
- 4.3 The Championship Fleet (fleet racing in BYS recognised fleets).

Class	Age as of 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2024
RS Feva XL	Under 18
Topper 5.3	Under 18
Topper 4.2	Under 16
Optimist	Under 16
RS Tera (Pro Rig)	Under 18
RS Tera (Sport Rig)	Under 16
ILCA 4	Under 18

- 4.3.1 The Topper Classes 5.3m<sup>2</sup> and 4.2m<sup>2</sup> will sail as a single fleet with the individual class results extracted for the qualifying series and in sperate flights for the final series.
- 4.3.2 The RS Tera Classes Pro Rig and Sport Rig will sail as a single fleet with the individual class results extracted for the qualifying series and in sperate flights for the final series.
- 4.4 The Coached Regatta Racing Fleet (Coaching & Coached Racing)

Class	Age as of 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2024	
RS Feva XL No Spinnaker	Under 16	
Topper (5.3m <sup>2</sup> & 4.2m <sup>2</sup> )	Under 16	
Optimist	Under 16	
RS Tera (Sport Rig)	Under 16	

- 4.4.1 Competitors in the Topper fleet using either the (5.3m<sup>2</sup> & 4.2m<sup>2</sup>) sails shall be scored as a single fleet.
- 4.5 The Rookie Fleet powered by OnBoard. (Coaching & Games to develop your sailing)

4.6.1. Dinghies will be provided by event organisers. Sailors may bring a SUITABLE small dinghy if agreed by the OA (Please talk to Regional Performance Manager (RPM) or Regional Manager)

4.6.2. Entries will be limited to 56 sailors.

4.6.3. The age range for competitors shall be between 8 and 13 years old as of 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024. Sailors are expected to have achieved at least RYA Stage 2 sailing standard (i.e. not total beginner sailors).

- 4.6 For organisational and safety reasons all entries must be made on the event online entry form.
- 4.7 Entries shall be made online at <u>RJC WPNSA</u>.
- 4.8 To be considered an entry at an event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.9 If an entry is cancelled by the competitor, the entry fee will be refunded as follows: Up to 14 days before the event 50%, after 14 days before the event 0%.

#### FEES

Entry fees are as follows:

Fleet	Entry closes 9 <sup>th</sup> June @ 23:59	Late entry (10 <sup>th</sup> June to 16 <sup>th</sup> June @23:59)	Discretionary entry 17 <sup>th</sup> June onwards *
Single- Hander (Championship)	£60	£70	£80
Double Hander (Championship)	£70	£80	£90
Single Hander (Coached Regatta Racing Fleet)	£60	£70	£80
Double Hander (Coached Regatta Racing Fleet)	£70	£80	£90
Rookie Fleet (Sailor fee)	£55 (Weekend) or £35 (Saturday only)	£65 (Weekend) or £45 (Saturday only)	£75 (Weekend) or £55 (Saturday only)

\* Entries in this case are subject to confirmation by the RPM and will only be accepted if, in the opinion of the OA, there is adequate safety cover available.

## 6 CREW LIMITATIONS

Does not apply.

## 7 ADVERTISING

[DP] [NP] Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA.

## 8 QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES

- 8.1 For Championship Fleets of less than 21 boats and the Coached Regatta Racing Fleet this does not apply.
- 9.1 For Championship Fleets of 21 boats or more, the event will consist of a qualifying series and then a final series with racing for gold, silver, bronze etc. in equal flights of 10 to 15 boats.

## 9 SCHEDULE

9.1 Registration will take place in the Events Hall on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June from 0845 to 0945.

## 9.2 Championship Fleets

9.2.1 Briefing – Championship Briefing will be available online from the day before the event at: <u>RJC - WPNSA</u>.

9.2.2 A total of 15 races are scheduled, with no more than six races on Saturday and nine races on Sunday.

9.2.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race on Saturday is 1145. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race on Sunday is 1025.

9.2.4 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1530.

## 9.3 Coached Regatta Fleet and Rookie Fleet

9.3.1 Separate briefings for the Coached Regatta Racing Fleet and the Rookie Fleet will be at 1030 on the Saturday. No activity will take place on Sunday before 1000.

9.3.2 The programmes for these two fleets will be determined by the Course Race Officer and the coaches on the day.

## **10 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION**

Boats and personal equipment may be inspected at any time.

#### 11 CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

RRS 40.1 shall apply at all times while afloat.

## 12 VENUE

The Sailing Area will be in Portland Harbour.

## 13 COURSES

For the Championship Fleets the courses to be sailed will be a selection of Inner and Outer Loop Trapezoid or a modification of this courses. The courses sailed will be as described in the Sailing Instructions.

## 14 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 14.1 RRS Appendix T Arbitration shall apply to this event. Decisions from Arbitration can be referred to the protest committee but cannot be reopened or appealed.
- 14.2 RRS Appendix P applies.
- 14.3 RRS P2.3 does not apply and RRS P2.2 is changed so that it applies to any penalty after the first one.
- 14.4 For the Coached Regatta Fleet and the Rookie Fleet only, the Advisory Hearing of the RYA Rules Disputes procedure is available. See Attachment A

## 15 SCORING

#### 15.1 Championship Fleets

- 15.1.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.1.2 For fleets of less than 21 boats there will be a single series.
- 15.1.3 For fleets of 21 boats or more there will be a Qualifying and Final series.
- 15.1.4 In the Qualification series the Championship entry will sail as one flight.
- 15.1.5 Final Series: The qualifying series will finish at the end of Saturday provided one race has been completed.
- 15.1.6 Following the end of the Qualification series, the results of the Qualification series will be used to divide the Championship entry into equal flights of a minimum of 10 and a maximum of 15 boats for the Final series. When there are uneven numbers the larger flight size will be in the higher flight; Gold, Silver, Bronze, Emarald etc. The Final series flights will race separately.
- 15.1.7 The boats ranked highest at the end of the Qualification series will be assigned to the Gold flight.
- 15.1.8 The remaining boats will be assigned to the Silver then Bronze and Emarald etc. Boats with unbroken ties at the division point will be included in the higher fleet, meaning that flight may be greater than 15 boats.
- 15.1.9 In the Final series each flight will be scored separately. There is no requirement for the separate flights to sail the same number of races.
- 15.1.10 A boat's Championship score will be the total of points equal to her overall ranking at the end of the Qualification series, which cannot be discarded, together with her Final series score.
- 15.1.11 In the Championship results all boats assigned to the Gold flight will rank ahead of all boats assigned to the Silver flight and Silver flight will rank ahead of all boats assigned to the Bronze flight etc.
- 15.1.12 For a single series and for the Qualification series and the Final series a boat's series score will be scored separately, be the total of her race scores excluding her worst race scores as follows:
  - (a) When 3 or fewer races have been completed no race scores will be excluded.

- (b) When 4 to 7 races have been completed one race score will be excluded.
- (c) When 8 or more races have been completed two race scores will be excluded.
- 15.1.13 For the Final series RRS A5.2 is changed as follows: the words "the number of boats entered in the series" are deleted and replaced with "the number of boats assigned to her final series flight". This changes RRS A2.

## 15.2 Coached Regatta Racing Fleets:

- 15.2.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.2.2 A boat's series score will, subject to RRS 90.3(b), be the total of her race scores excluding her worst race scores as follows:
  - (a) When 3 or fewer races have been completed no race scores will be excluded.
  - (b) When 4 to 7 races have been completed one race score will be excluded.
  - (c) When 8 or more races have been completed two race scores will be excluded.
- 15.3 To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a boat shall complete a scoring enquiry form available from the Race office.

## 16 [DP] [NP] SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

- 16.1 Support Person Vessels are required to assist with the delivery of the event as direct by the race committee at all times. This changes RRS 37.
- 16.2 Support Person Vessels shall register with the OA the support boat details (Colour and Size, Owner/Driver's Name, Name and Sail Number of supported competitor) and may be required to carry identifying flags.
- 16.3 Except when requested by, or agreed with the race committee, Support Person Vessels shall not communicate with competitors afloat, tow competitors to or from the race area, or enter the race area.
- 16.4 When afloat, all persons on a support vessel shall wear a personal flotation device at all times. When the engine is running the support vessel driver shall use a kill cord at all times.

## 17 CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS

A limited number of boats are available for the Rookie Fleet.

#### 18 BERTHING

[DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the dinghy park.

## **19 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

Does not apply.

## 20 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Does not apply.

## 21 DATA PROTECTION

The personal information you provide to the OA will be used to facilitate your participation in the event. If you have agreed to be bound by the RRS 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 OA'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.

## 22 RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone".

Sailing by its nature is an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, 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 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;
- (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 event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- (f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme 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 or information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.

## 23 INSURANCE

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

## 24 PRIZES

- 24.1 Eligibility for prizes: sailors must comply with NoR 4.2 (a) or (b).
- 24.2 Championship Fleet prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the organisers and will normally be awarded to:
  - 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Male and 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Female for single handed dinghy classes
  - 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> all Male, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> all Female and 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> mixed team in double handed classes.
  - Prizes may be adjusted for classes with small fleets as follows, in each category, if 3 or less only 1st will be awarded, 4 Boats 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> awarded and 5 or more Boats 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> will be awarded.
- 24.3 The Coached Regatta Racing and Rookie Fleet prizes will be awarded at the Event Director/Coaches discretion.
- 24.4 Other Prizes will be:
  - "RYA Zone Championships Club Trophy South Region" Awarded to the sailing club with the most entries who have entered by the close of entry on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2024.
  - "BYS South Regional Junior Championship Development Trophy". Awarded to the sailing club with the largest increases in entry numbers from the previous Regional Junior Championships who have entered by the close of entry on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2024.
  - "RYA Zone Championships Club Trophy South West Region" Awarded to the sailing club with the most entries who have entered by the close of entry on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

- "BYS South West Regional Junior Championship Development Trophy". Awarded to the sailing club with the largest increases in entry numbers from the previous Regional Junior Championships who have entered by the close of entry on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2024.
- NB. The sailing club indicated with your entry will be used for all prize categories when this applies.

## 25 RYA RACING CHARTER

Competitors should note that RYA Events implement the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be expected to sail in compliance with the Charter, which can be found at the front of the RYA rule book (RRS), or at <u>https://www.rya.org.uk/racing/rules/racing-charter</u>

## 26 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact:- ric@rya.org.uk

For venue information please contact <u>reception@wpnsa.org.uk</u>; Telephone: 01305 866000; WPNSA, Osprey Quay, Portland Dorset, DT5 1SA or visit <u>WPNSA - Weymouth & Portland National</u> <u>Sailing Academy</u>

## END OF NOTICE OF RACE

## **Unofficial Telegram Information Group**

A Telegram Information Group has been set up. This is an unofficial form of communication but is designed to help with letting people know what is going on. Please note this NOT the official notice board.



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## **Attachment A**

## Post Race Advisory Meeting (Coached Regatta Racing Fleet and Rookie Fleet only)

## **Advisory Meeting**

When there is an incident that will not result in the lodging of a protest or a request for redress, a boat may request an advisory meeting and notify any boat involved in the incident. An adviser will then call a meeting to learn what may have happened and, provided all parties are willing to attend, will state whether any rule appears to have been broken, and by which boat. A boat may as a result notify the race office that she accepts a Post-Race Penalty when it applies to the incident, or choose to retire, but is not required to do so.