



RYA

**Junior Club Championship
Qualifying event**



UK RS Tera Class Association



EXE SAILING CLUB

Topper and RS Tera Open Meeting

Saturday 23rd May 2026

Organising Authority: Exe Sailing Club

**(Event is an RYA Junior Club Championship Qualifying event
and part of the RS Tera SW Traveller Series)**

NOTICE OF RACE (NoR)

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028 including the RYA Prescriptions.
- 1.2. Competitors should note that Exe Sailing Club (ESC) implements the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be expected to sail in compliance with it.
- 1.3. The ESC club rules and bylaws, and Exe Water Users Code of conduct applies.
- 1.4. The RYA Junior Club Championship Commitment :
<https://www.rya.org.uk/news/nominate-event-junior-championship-qualifier/>
- 1.5. RRS 40.1 (Personal Flotation Devices) applies at all times when competitors are afloat.
- 1.6. In the event of a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail.
- 1.7. The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1 (Right to Protest).

- 1.8. The notation '[DP]' in a rule means that the penalty for a breach of the rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. Sailing Instructions will be published on the Official Notice Board by 00:01 hours 21st May 2026

3. COMMUNICATIONS

- 3.1. The official notice board will be on the Exe SC website 'Open Events' page. See: <https://exe-sailing-club.org/page/open-events> until 00:01 hrs 23rd May 2026 and thereafter physically held on the Notice Board in Exe SC ground floor Preston Room.
- 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. The Open meeting is open to RS Tera Sport, RS Tera Pro, Topper 5.3 and Topper 4.2 sailors. All Toppers entered shall comply with International Topper Class Association Class Rules. All RS Teras shall comply with the RS Tera Class Association Rules.
- 4.2. Eligible competitors shall pre-enter, prior to 00.01hrs 18th May 2026, by completing the online entry process on the <https://exe-sailing-club.org/page/open-events> .
- 4.3. All competitors shall be Under-18 on the day of the event. All Under-18s must complete an Under 18s Consent Form which can be found and downloaded on the official notice board. Forms are to be presented at registration.

5. FEES

- 5.1. Pre-entries Standard £20 per boat payable via Exe SC website entry process.
- 5.2. Event Cancellation Arrangements: If the event is cancelled, Exe SC will issue a notification no later than 00:01hrs 22nd May 2026.
- 5.3. Event Cancellation Fees: Full refund minus any costs will be paid if the event is cancelled before 00:01hrs 22nd May 2026.

6. CREW LIMITATIONS - Does not apply

7. ADVERTISING - Does not apply

8. QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES - Does not Apply

9. SCHEDULE

9.1. Early Arrival (boat drop off, parking is off site):

Friday 22nd May 2026 17:00hrs to 20:00hrs

9.2. Arrival (boat drop off, parking is off site) and Registration:

Saturday 23rd May at 08:00hrs to 09:30hrs.

9.3. Competitor Briefing: 09:45

9.4. Approximate Launch Time: 10:15

9.5. First Warning Signal: 11:15

9.6. Races: up to 4 races (back to back)

9.7. No warning signals will be made after 15:00 hrs.

9.8. Prize Giving will take place after the conclusion of racing and any hearings.

10. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

10.1. Boats shall comply with measurements and other class rules specified.

10.2. A boat may be inspected by a committee member at any time for compliance.

10.3. [NP] [DP] Competitors to have on board a separate rope specific for towing purposes only. The rope is to be of at least 6m in length and no less than 6mm in diameter.

11. CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

11.1. [NP] [DP] Tally Bands will be issued to the helm and shall be worn all day when competitors are afloat.

12. VENUE

12.1. Dinghy Racing will take place at sea in Lyme Bay. See appendix 1

12.2. Exe Sailing Club, Tornado, Shelly Rd, Exmouth, Devon, EX8 1EG. See www.exe-sailing-club.org

12.3. There is a voluntary exclusion zone to protect wildlife in the estuary. North West of Dawlish Warren is out of bounds for racing and sailing – diagram shown in appendix 2.

13. COURSES

13.1. The courses will be either triangle and/or windward/leeward legs. They will be described in detail in the SI.

14. PENALTY SYSTEM - Does not apply

15. SCORING

15.1. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

15.2. There will be one discard if 4 races are completed.

15.3. There will be no discards if less than 4 races are completed.

15.4. RRS 90.3(e) will apply

15.5. [NP] Results for this event are based on mixed handicap using the current RYA National Portsmouth Number list.

16. SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

16.1. [DP]All crews of Support Person Vessels should make their presence known to the Race Officer and follow any directions given.

17. CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS - Does not apply

18. BERTHING

18.1. All Boats will be allocated a space within the ESC dinghy park or car park by a berthing marshal.

18.2. There is no car parking for competitors at Exe Sailing Club.

19. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS - Does not apply

20. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS - Does not apply

21. DATA PROTECTION

21.1. The Exe SC Data Privacy & Processing Policy and our Conditions of Use of Photographs, Video & Images are available on the club website.

21.2. Photographs may be taken during the event, which may be posted on social media and/or used in press releases. Competitors consent for the use of images of themselves/their boats is required on the entry form.

21.3. The RYA Privacy Security and Data Protection is available at <https://www.rya.org.uk/compliance/privacy-security-and-data-protection/>

22. RISK STATEMENT

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 any of the events covered by this notice of race, 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, and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, 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, 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

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 1st, 2nd and 3rd position.

24.2. Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

25. FURTHER INFORMATION

25.1. For further information please contact sailing@exe-sailing-club.org

Attached:

Appendix 1. Sailing Area

Appendix 2. Exclusion Zone

End of Notice of Race

Appendix 1 to the RS Tera / Topper Open Meeting NoR - Race Area



Appendix 2 to the RS Tera/Topper Open Meeting NoR - Exclusion Zone

Exclusion Zone Highlighted in Green

