



## **WASZP START OF SEASON CHAMPIONSHIP**

WASZP UK CLASS ASSOCIATION

DATCHET WATER SAILING CLUB (Organising Authority)

23-24 MARCH 2024

### **NOTICE OF RACE (NOR)**

*The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the notice of race (NOR) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a). The notation '[DP]' denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the protest committee.*

#### **1 RULES**

- 1.1 The event is governed by the Rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the SIs will prevail. This changes RRS 63.7.

#### **2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be available at <https://racehub.waszp.com/eventdetail/322> prior to the first day of the event.

#### **3 COMMUNICATION**

- 3.1 The official noticeboard will be located on the event page of RaceHub <https://racehub.waszp.com/eventdetail/322>.

#### **4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 4.1 The event is open to all boats of the WASZP class.
- 4.2 Competitors are required to be members of the WASZP UK Class Association (or if not resident in the UK, another WASZP national class association).
- 4.3 Boats may enter the event by registering online at <https://racehub.waszp.com/eventdetail/322>.
- 4.4 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration

requirements and pay all fees.

- 4.5 Entry closes on 16 March 2024. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the organising authority.

## 5 FEES

- 5.1 The entry fee for the event is £60 if paid before 1 March and £70 thereafter. *Entry includes feedback from fleet coach Ross Harvey, dinner on Saturday night and a group debrief with Ross.*

## 6 CREW LIMITATIONS

In accordance with the class rules.

## 7 ADVERTISING [NP] [DP]

- 7.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

## 8 QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES

Not applicable to this event.

## 9 SCHEDULE

- 9.1 The table below outlines the event schedule:

Date	Activity	No. of races	Time
23/3	Sprint Racing	6-8	1030 competitor briefing (with coach) 1155 first warning signal
24/3	Championship Racing	4	1025 first warning signal

- 9.2 A maximum of 8 races may be sailed on one day.

- 9.3 On the last scheduled day of racing, no warning signal will be made after 1500.

## 10 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 10.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the *rules*.

- 10.2 [DP] Boats shall comply with RRS 78.1.

## 11 CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

- 11.1 Wet clothing may be inspected at any time for compliance with the *rules*.

- 11.2 [DP] RRS 40.1 (wearing of Personal Flotation Device) will always apply whilst afloat, on the pontoons, or near the water's edge.
- 11.3 A full wetsuit or drysuit must be worn while afloat between 1st November and 30th April (DWSC By-law).

## **12 VENUE**

- 12.1 The event will be held at Datchet Water Sailing Club, Queen Mother Reservoir, Horton Road, Horton, Berkshire, SL3 9NT.
- 12.2 The racing area will be on the Queen Mother Reservoir.

## **13 COURSES**

- 13.1 Championship courses will consist of windward/leeward courses. Sprint courses may be shortened conventional windward leewards or some other shorter course. The courses will be described in detail in the sailing instructions.

## **14 PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 14.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

## **15 SCORING**

- 15.1 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.2 All race formats will count towards the series.
- 15.3 The series will be scored as follows:
- a) When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores.
  - b) When from 4 to 7 races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
  - c) When 8 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

## **16 SUPPORT VESSELS**

- 16.1 Support vessels are prohibited at the event.

## **17 CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS**

Not applicable to this event.

## **18 BERTHING**

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

## **19 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

Not applicable to this event.

## **20 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS**

Not applicable to this event.

## **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.

## **22 RISK STATEMENT**

22.1 Rule 3 of the Racing Rules of Sailing 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 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 organizer 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 and 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 million per incident or the equivalent.

## **24 PRIZES**

- 24.1 Prizes will be awarded to the top three men, top three women and relevant age categories.

## **25 FURTHER INFORMATION**

- 25.1 For further information, please contact [class@waszp.com](mailto:class@waszp.com).