

WASZP PRE-GAMES 2025

WEYMOUTH AND PORTLAND NATIONAL SAILING ACADEMY

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WASZP INTERNATIONAL CLASS ASSOCIATION 16-18 JULY 2025

NOTICE OF RACE

The organising authority is the Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy (WPNSA) in conjunction with the WASZP International Class Association.

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.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2 RRS Appendix P, Special Procedures for RRS 42, will apply as amended in NoR 14.
- 1.3 RRS Appendix T, Arbitration, will apply.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions (SIs) will be available at https://racehub.waszp.com/eventdetail/452 prior to the first day of the event.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The ONB link will be pubished shortly...in the meantime, keep up to date on https://racehub.waszp.com/eventdetail/452.
- 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 There is a limit of 150 entries for the Pre-Games.
- 4.2 The event is open to all boats of the WASZP class.
- 4.3 All competitors shall be a member of the International WASZP Class Association. Membership can be purchased at https://racehub.waszp.com/memberships.
- 4.4 Boats may enter by registering online at https://racehub.waszp.com/eventdetail/452.
- 4.5 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.6 Entry closes on 22 June 2025. Late entries may be considered at the discretion of the organising authority. To request late entry contact class@waszp.com.

5 FEES

- 5.1 Before 1 April 2025, the entry fee is £150. From 1 April, the entry fee is £175.
- 5.2 Cancellations received before 22 June 2025 will receive a full refund minus 3.5% to cover merchant fees. Cancellations from 22 June will not receive a refund.

6 CREW LIMITATIONS

In accordance with the class rules.

7 ADVERTISING [NP] [DP]

If requested by the organising authority, boats shall display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

8 EVENT FORMAT

- 8.1 Entries will be split into fleets. A breakdown of the fleets will be published in the SIs. *Note: the* 7.5 will be included in the event.
- 8.2 Racing will consist of Course and a Distance Race.

9 SCHEDULE

9.1 The table below outlines the provisional event schedule:

Date	Activity	Time
16 July	Briefing	0900
	Racing	1100
17 July	Racing	1100
18 July	Racing	1100

- 9.2 Any format of racing may be sailed on any day.
- 9.3 A maximum of 5 Course Races may be sailed on one day.
- 9.4 There will be a daily briefing at 0900.
- 9.5 On the last scheduled day of racing, no warning signal will be made after 1700.

10 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 10.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the *rules*.
- 10.2 The penalty for infringement of a class rule may be less than disqualification.

11 CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

In accordance with the class rules.

12 VENUE

- 12.1 The event will be held at Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy, Osprey Quay, Portland DT5 1SA, UK.
- 12.2 The racing areas will be split between Portland Harbour and Weymouth Bay. See Appendix 1 for approximate racing locations.

13 COURSES

The courses will be described in the SIs.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 14.1 RRS 44.1 and P2.1 are changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 14.2 RRS P2.2 and P2.3 are deleted. RRS P2.1 applies to all penalties under Appendix P.

15 SCORING

- 15.1 3 races for each fleet are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.2 All race formats will count towards the championship with equal weight.
- 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 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

The rules for support vessels are listed in Appendix 2.

17 CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS

For charter boat enquiries, submit a request on RaceHub (log into RaceHub > Events > Charter Boats > Add Charter Boat Request).

18 BERTHING

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

19 DATA PROTECTION

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 your national authority and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.

20 RIGHTS TO USE NAMES AND LIKENESS

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.

21 RISK STATEMENT

21.1 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.'

- 21.2 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 competitor briefing held for the event.

22 INSURANCE

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

23 PRIZES

- 23.1 Prizes will be awarded for the following positions and may be amended according to the split of the fleets. Ages are taken as of 31 December 2025:
 - Top 3 men
 - Top 3 women
 - Top 3 in each age division: Junior (U19), Youth (U21), Core (21-29), Master (30-49),
 Super Master (50+)
 - Winners of rig divisions
 - Top 3 U16 (not 8.2 rig)

24 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please contact <u>class@waszp.com</u>.

For venue queries, please contact events@wpnsa.org.uk.

Appendix 1: Course Areas



Appendix 2: Support Vessel Rules

- 1. All support person vessels will register with the Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy by completing an online Event Support Boat Registration Form. On arrival Support Persons shall report to the WPNSA Reception, before launching, to register and pay the event fee of £50.
- 2. On registration coaches shall confirm the sail numbers and competitor names of the boats they are supporting.
- 3. All support vessels shall display an identification flag at all times when underway. Flags will be assigned at registration and require a £20 or €20 cash deposit. The deposit will be returned when the flag is returned to Reception at the end of the event.
- 4. Where RRS 37 is used, support vessels shall not stand down until permitted to do so by the race committee.
- 5. Other than acting under RRS 37 or where a boat or competitor is in danger, support vessels shall be at least 150m behind the starting line and its extensions from the preparatory signal of the first race of the day until the end of the finishing window of the last race of the day.
- 6. Where flag Tango is displayed, support vessels shall assist in towing all boats and shall not stand down until permitted to do so by the race committee.
- 7. 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.
- 8. Kill cords shall be worn at all times whilst engines are running. Support vessels that infringe this rule will be requested to leave the race area immediately. Further action may be taken by the protest committee.
- 9. Personal floatation devices shall be worn by all persons in a support vessel at all times, except briefing while adjusting clothing, while on the water.
- 10. All support vessel drivers shall attend the Support Vessel Briefing. Details will be advised in the Sailing Instructions.
- 11. Support vessels shall carry the following equipment on board:
 - a. Life jackets/buoyancy aids for the driver and all passengers
 - b. Engine kill cord (also known as a safety lanyard or automatic engine immobiliser) with a spare kill cord on the support vessel
 - c. VHF radio capable of receiving international as well as UK marine channels 37a/M1 (157.850MHz) and P4/M2 (161.425MHz)
 - d. First-aid kit
 - e. Device for making a sound signal
 - f. Compass
 - g. Adequate anchor and tackle for conditions and depth
 - h. Tow rope (minimum 15m long and 10mm thick)
 - i. Safety knife
- 12. Each support vessel shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.