



WASP GAMES 2025
WEYMOUTH AND PORTLAND NATIONAL SAILING ACADEMY
&
WASP INTERNATIONAL CLASS ASSOCIATION
19 - 25 JULY 2025
NOTICE OF RACE

Incorporating amendments from 4 April 2025

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.
- 1.4 For the Sprint series, World Sailing Appendix UF, Umpired Fleet Racing – WASZP Sprint Series Edition, applies and changes a number of rules. The version that is current when the event begins will be published on the official notice board (ONB). It takes precedence over any conflicting rules. This changes RRS 63.5(c).
- 1.5 Any changes to the rules for Sprint racing will be outlined in the Sprint Sailing Instructions.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions (SIs) will be available on the ONB and at <https://racehub.waszp.com/eventdetail/360> prior to the first day of the event.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The ONB is located at <https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/documents/10388/event?name=Waszp%2520Games%25202025>.
- 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.
- 3.3 A WhatsApp group may be used for unofficial communication. A link will be sent to competitors in their entry confirmation email.
- 3.4 A separate NoR will be issued for the Pre-Games, to be held at the same venue from 16 - 18 July 2025.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to all boats of the WASZP class.
- 4.2 All competitors shall be a member of the International WASZP Class Association. Membership can be purchased at <https://racehub.waszp.com/memberships>.
- 4.3 Boats may enter by registering online at <https://racehub.waszp.com/eventdetail/360>.
- 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 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 18 April 2025, the entry fee is £375. From 18 April, the entry fee is £450.
- 5.2 Cancellations received before 22 June will receive a full refund minus 3.5% for payments made before 4 April; **or will receive a full refund minus 10% for payments made on or after 4 April.**
- 5.3 Cancellations received on or after 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 **The 8.2 and 7.5 rigs will race together. The 6.9 rigs will race in a separate single fleet. Green Fleet is open to all rigs including the WASZP_X.**
- 8.2 **The 8.2/7.5 fleet will sail a qualifying series followed by a final series. The 6.9 fleet will sail a single series of races.**
- 8.3 Racing will consist of Course and Sprint racing and a Distance Race. **The Sprint and Distance races will count as part of the final series, except for the 6.9 fleet where those races will form part of the single series.**
- 8.4 The Green Fleet will race separately from the main fleets in a single series. Further information on the Green Fleet can be found in NoR 24.

9 SCHEDULE

- 9.1 The table below outlines the provisional event schedule:

Date	Activity	Time
16 July	Pre-Games (separate event)	
17 July		
18 July		
19 July	Measurement and Registration SailGP Women's Qualifier (separate event)	0900-1800
20 July	Measurement and Registration SailGP Women's Qualifier Opening Ceremony	0900-1800 1900
21 July	Competitor Briefing	0900
	Course Racing (Qualifying series)	1100
22 July	Course Racing (Qualifying series)	1100
23 July	Sprint Racing (Final series) Distance Race (Final series)	1100

24 July	Course Racing (Final series)	1100
25 July	Course Racing (Final series) Prize Giving	1100 1900 (TBC)

- 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 From 22 to 25 July, a daily briefing will take place 90 mins before the scheduled time of the first start.
- 9.5 On the last scheduled day of racing, no warning signal will be made after 1700.

10 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 10.1 [DP] Boats shall be available for equipment inspection on 19/20 July.
- 10.2 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the *rules*.
- 10.3 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.
- 14.3 The intention is to appoint an international jury.

15 SCORING

- 15.1 3 races for each fleet are required to be completed to constitute a championship.
- 15.2 All race formats will count towards the championship.
 - (a) The Distance Race will count as a single race in the final series and overall championship. All fleets will start together. Points scored in the Distance Race will be based on a boat's position in its fleet. This changes RRS A4.
 - (b) The final ranking of the Sprint Racing series will count as a single race in the final series

and overall championship.

15.3 A single series of races 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 to 11 races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.
- (d) When 12 to 15 races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores excluding her three worst scores.
- (e) When 16 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores excluding her four worst scores.

15.4 Scoring for fleets with a qualifying series followed by a final series will be as follows:

15.4.1 Qualifying series:

- (a) When fewer than 4 qualifying races have been completed, a boat's qualifying series score is the total of her race scores.
- (b) When 4 to 7 qualifying races have been completed, a boat's qualifying series score is the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- (c) When 8 or more qualifying races have been completed, a boat's qualifying series score is the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

15.4.2 Final series (including Distance Race and Sprint Series score):

- (a) When fewer than 4 final races have been completed, a boat's final series score is the total of her race scores.
- (b) When 4 to 7 final races have been completed, a boat's final series score is the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- (c) When 8 or more final races have been completed, a boat's final series score is the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

15.4.3 A boat's championship score will be the total of her qualifying series score plus her final series score.

16 SUPPORT VESSELS

The rules for support vessels are listed in Appendix 2.

17 CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS

For charter boat enquiries:

- Visit <https://sailingfast.co.uk/product/waszp-games-2025-boat-charter/>
- 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:

- 8.2/7.5 fleet:
 - Top 5 men
 - Top 5 women
 - Top 3 in each age division: Junior (U19), Youth (U21), Core (21-29), Master (30-49), Super Master (50+)
- Top 3 7.5 rigs
- 6.9 fleet:
 - Top 3 men
 - Top 3 women
 - Top U14
- Top 3 Gold Fleet Sprint
- Distance Race Winner
- Speed Demon
- Top 3 Green Fleet

23.2 The **INFLUENCER PRIZE** will be awarded to the sailor who puts out the best social media content during the event, as judged by Marc Ablett (General Manager of WASZP). Use #waszpgames25 so posts can be tracked.

24 GREEN FLEET

- 24.1 Green Fleet is a coached fleet that sails separately from the main fleets. It includes a daily briefing, debrief, on-water training and daily coached racing in a simplified format.
- 24.2 The courses and formats for Green Fleet will be set by the Green Fleet coach based on feedback from Green Fleet sailors.
- 24.3 Sailors in the Green Fleet may move to a main fleet at the start of any day; and sailors in a main fleet may move to the Green Fleet at the start of any day.

25 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please contact class@waszp.com.

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 £200. *The fee includes the same social and refreshment benefits that competitors receive.*
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, except for sprint racing where support boats shall be at least 200m outside of the pre-start exclusion zone and the extensions of the course at all times.
6. Other than acting under RRS 37 or where a boat or competitor is in danger, support vessels shall not make physical contact with a WASZP from the preparatory signal of the first race until the boat has finished the last race of the day, or the race committee signals AP over H or AP over A on the water. Passing items between a support vessel and WASZP is permitted providing the WASZP is not resting on or secured to the support vessel.
7. Support vessels shall not tow a boat unless the race committee displays flag Tango. 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.
8. 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.
9. 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.
10. 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.
11. All support vessel drivers shall attend the Support Vessel Briefing. Details will be advised in the Sailing Instructions.
12. 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
13. 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.