



RS300 Whitefrairs Open 2026

8th to 9th August 2026

Sponsored by/Supported by Rooster Sailing
Whitefriars Sailing Club Lake 26, Cotswold Lakes,
Ashton Keynes SN6 6QR

NOTICE OF RACE

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

This event will be organised by Whitefriars Sailing Club in conjunction with the RS 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, 2025 - 2028*.
- 1.2 Racing rules Race Signals AP, 31, 32.2, 33, 34, 35, 44.1, 60.1, 60.2(b), 61.1(a), 61.2(b), 61.4(b)(1), A2, A5.1 and A5.2 will be changed. The changes appear, in full, in this notice of race or in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The RS Class Association standard sailing instructions are available [here](#)

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The official noticeboard will be located on the terrace outside the clubhouse. Additional event info can be found here <https://www.whitefriarssc.org/racing/rs300-open-2026>
- 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 event is open to boats of the RS300 class.
- 4.2 Helm must be a member, and crew must be either a member or crew member of the RS Class Association, except where the helm has a valid 'any crew' extension to their membership.
- 4.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online form at <https://portal.whitefriarssc.org/event/rs300-open>
- 4.4 To be considered an entry at an event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements

and pay all fees.

4.5 Any competitors aged under 18 shall complete an Under 18s Consent Form. This can be downloaded from the RS Class Association websites [here](#)

and should be completed and handed in at registration.

4.6 The organising authority may cancel the event and reject or cancel entries at its absolute discretion, subject to RRS 76.

4.7 Should the organising authority cancel or reject an entry they shall refund the entry fee in full.

4.8 Should the Organising Authority cancel the event within 36 hours prior to the scheduled start of race one any refunds will be at the sole discretion of the Organising Authority.

5 FEES

Entry fees are as follows:

	Standard fee	Youth/Student fee
Open Entry	£ 40	£ 30

6 CREW LIMITATIONS

Does not apply.

7 ADVERTISING

[DP] [NP] Boats may be required to display advertising supplied by the organising authority.

8 QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES

Does not apply.

9 SCHEDULE

9.1

	Day 1	Day 2
Registration	Friday 7 th Aug 1900 to 2030. Saturday 8 th Aug 0900 to 1100	
Briefing	11.30 8 th Aug	
1 st Warning Signal	12.25 8 th Aug	9.55 9 th Aug

9.2 6 races are scheduled. No more than 4 races will be sailed in one day.

9.3 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 13.00.

9.5 The race committee may change the scheduled start time of races due to weather conditions or other causes. Any change to the first start time will be posted on the official notice board by 20:00 the evening before the affected races.

10 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

10.1 Boats may be inspected at any time.

11 CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

RRS 40.1 and 40.2(c) shall apply at all times while afloat.

12 VENUE

The Sailing Area will be Whitefriars SC Lake.

13 COURSES

13.1 The courses to be sailed will be round permanent racing marks and/or temporary positioned buoys and posted on the committee boat and/or race hut.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

14.1 For all classes except the RS200, RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty. This changes RRS 44.1.

14.2 The Post Race Penalty and the RYA Arbitration Procedures of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available. Decisions from Arbitration can be referred to the protest committee, but cannot be reopened or appealed.

15 SCORING

15.1 two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

15.2 (a) When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b) When from four to seven races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst score.

This changes RRS A2.

16 [DP] [NP] SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

16.1 No support vessels are allowed at this event.

17 CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS

Does not apply.

18 BERTHING

18.1 [DP] Does not apply.

19 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Does not apply.

20 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Does not apply.

21 DATA PROTECTION

The RS Class Association Data Protection Policy is available on the class website.

22 RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 of the Racing Rules of Sailing 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

Prizes may be awarded, dependant on entries and at the discretion of the Race Committee, in each class as follows:

First, Second and Third

25 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please contact please contact Ben Heppenstall
(ben@benheppenstall.net)

END OF NOTICE OF RACE

CAMPING

Whitefriars has a camping field with electric hook-ups and a hardstanding carpark for campervans. Overnight camping is included in the registration fee for Friday and Saturday nights

FOOD & DRINK

An evening meal on the Saturday evening is included in the registration fee, Guests are welcome to join in, please add on the registration notes how many extra people you are bringing or email ben@benheppenstall.net

Food will also be available for purchase on Sunday lunchtime

The club bar will be stocked and open on both Friday and Saturday evening.