



## RS300 Whitefriars Open 2021

17<sup>th</sup> April 2021

Sponsored by Rooster Sailing

Whitefriars Sailing Club Lake 26, Cotswold Water Park, Ashton Keynes SN6 6QR

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### NOTICE OF RACE

#### ORGANISING AUTHORITY

This event will be organised by Whitefriars Sailing Club in conjunction with the RS Class Association.

This event will count in the Rooster National Tour.

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).

#### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Supplementary Sailing Instructions will be issued for this event.
- 1.3 Racing rules Race Signals AP, 31, 33, 35, 44.1, 60.1(a), 60.1(b), 61.3, 62.1(a), 62.2, 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 at <https://rs-association.com>.
- 2.2 The event Supplementary Sailing Instructions will be available at <https://www.whitefriarssc.org/racing/rs300-open-2021>

#### 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-2021>
- 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 of the RS Class Association. Annual and event membership can be purchased here <https://www.rs300.org/index.asp?Fleet=RS300&selection=Shop>
- 4.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online form at <http://bit.ly/rs-300>

- 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 and should be completed and handed in at registration.
- 4.6 Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the Organising Committee, subject to the payment of a late entry surcharge.
- 4.7 The Organising Authority may cancel the event, cancel classes and reject or cancel entries in its absolute discretion, subject to RRS 76.
- 4.8 Should the Organising Authority cancel a class or reject an entry they shall refund the entry fee in full.
- 4.9 Should the Organising Authority cancel the event within 36 hours prior to the scheduled start of race 1 any refunds will be at the sole discretion of the Organising Authority.

**5 FEES**

Entry fees are as follows:

Class	Standard Fee
RS300	£5.00

**6 CREW LIMITATIONS**

Does not apply.

**7 ADVERTISING**

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

**8 QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES**

Does not apply.

**9 SCHEDULE**

9.1 Registration online at <http://bit.ly/rs-300> to be completed no later than 10:00 on the morning of the 17th of April.

9.2 Briefing – A briefing will be held at 1100 on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> April.

9.3 Racing:

<i>Date</i>	<i>Race</i>
Saturday 17th April	Races 1 to 5

9.4 Five shorter races are scheduled, weather permitting

9.5 The scheduled time of the first warning signal of the first race on Saturday 17th April is 1155.

9.6 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1400

**10 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION**

Boats may be inspected at any time.

**11 CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT**

RRS 40.1 shall apply at all times while afloat.

## **12 VENUE**

The Sailing Area will be Whitefriars SC Lake.

## **13 COURSES**

The courses to be sailed will be 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 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

14.2 The Exoneration Penalty and the RYA Arbitration Procedures of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available. Attend briefing for details. 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 When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. This changes RRS A2.

## **16 [DP] [NP] SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS**

16.1 Support teams, including all support persons and support person vessels shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

16.2 When the engine of a support vessel is running, all support persons on that vessel, shall wear a personal flotation device and the support vessel driver shall use a kill cord.

## **17 CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS**

Does not apply.

## **18 BERTHING**

[DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the dinghy park.

## **19 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

Does not apply.

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

Does not apply.

## **21 DATA PROTECTION**

The Data Processing Policy is available on the class website.

## **22 RISK STATEMENT**

22.1 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.

## 22.2 [NP] [DP] COVID Statement

By taking part in any of the events covered by this notice of race, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that they are responsible for complying with any regulations in force from time to time in respect of COVID-19 and for complying with the venue/OA/sailing club COVID-19 procedures. Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Failure to comply may be misconduct. Reasonable actions by event officials to implement COVID-19 guidance, protocols, or legislation, even if they later prove to be unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions.

## 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 Ben Heppenstall [ben@benheppenstall.net](mailto:ben@benheppenstall.net)

**END OF NOTICE OF RACE**